

Curtis Hollis
Chief Operating Officer

Curtis Hollis serves as Chief Operating Officer with the Minority Business Accelerator at the Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber. In this role, Curtis is responsible for enhancing the internal organizational processes and infrastructure that will allow the Minority Business Accelerator to continue growing and fulfilling its mission of growing scalable large minority businesses. Now in its 20th year, the Accelerator brings its value proposition to life with these larger firms with procurement support, access to traditional & nontraditional capital, and technical support through joint venture/M&A opportunities. Curtis brings 29 years of senior executive banking experience in operational effectiveness, product development, revenue generation, credit risk, and strategy development. Before joining the Chamber, Curtis was Senior Vice-President of KeyBank responsible for leading the South & Central Ohio Region. Curtis was responsible for KeyBank's aggressive growth expectations in the multi-city region. In this role, the primary focus of his team was assisting commercial business clients and affluent clients in making sound financial decisions around access to capital, credit, trust, and investment management.

Curtis is a 1993 graduate of Tennessee State University with a degree in Business Administration. He is also a 2013 University of Washington graduate of Pacific Coast Banking School (PCBS), the Premier National Graduate School of Banking. Curtis joined the faculty as a Leadership instructor in 2016.

Curtis is a proud decorated US Army combat veteran. He has made significant contributions to the communities in which he has worked and lived. Curtis received recognition as an award winner in the Indianapolis Business Journal's Top Forty under 40 class; for his outstanding leadership in the community, honored in Who's Who in Black Indianapolis. He's an active member of the community being involved as a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. He has a rich history of serving on multiple boards including the Indiana Youth Institute, Boy Scouts of America – Crossroads Council, American Heart Association Denver Colorado Region, and the Idaho Pat Hunter Youth Art Council. Curtis currently serves as Chair of the Finance Committee for the Urban League of Greater Southwest Ohio. Curtis and his wife Nikki are proud parents of 4 children.