

Bruce Douglas

Bruce Douglas is the founder and CEO of Harvard Development Company, a real estate development organization specializing in urban revitalization and rejuvenation through the development of civic-minded projects in underprivileged communities.

Dr. Douglas was the tenth President of Sterling College from 2005 until 2008. From 1975 to 2001, Dr. Douglas was the founder, chairman and CEO of The Douglas Company, a construction and engineering firm that specializes in health care, elderly housing, multi-family and retail construction. Dr. Douglas has served on the boards of numerous educational and cultural organizations, including the Toledo Symphony, Festival of Orchestras, Orlando EDC Governor's Council, Orlando Museum of Art, Winter Park Library, the Crummer Graduate School of Business Board of Overseers, the Northwest Ohio Venture Fund, the Toledo Repertoire Theater, Taubman Center Advisory Board of Harvard University, Regional Advisory Committee of the Center for Policy Analysis and Public Service of Bowling Green State University and Wilberforce University. Dr. Douglas is also the founder of the New Ohio Institute, a non-profit policy center focused on finding and carrying out solutions to urban problems.



Dr. Douglas received his BA in Physics from Kalamazoo College in 1954, BS in Civil Engineering from the University of Michigan in 1955, MPA from Harvard University in 1995 and Ph.D. in History at the University of Toledo in 2004. He is married to Dolores Douglas and together they have three children: Peter (MBA, Northwestern) who runs The Douglas Company; Susan (degrees from Purdue and Fashion Institute of Technology), a fashion retailer; and Anne, an attorney (Stanford, University of Chicago law). He enjoys running, rowing, tennis and croquet.