

Maureen HalahanPresident/CEO
Orange County Partnership

Maureen Halahan, an experienced Chief Executive Officer, has worked in the field of economic development for more than 20 years at the Orange County Partnership in Goshen, NY. Under her leadership, the Partnership transformed from a public/private funded not-for-profit to a 100% privately funded organization. She has modeled the Partnership's corporate attraction strategies to mirror that of international site selectors and the formula has brought considerable success with more than 290 major attractions that brought more than 10,000 new jobs to Orange County. These developments have generated billions of dollars in capital investment. In addition, 287 companies that were already located within Orange County, expanded their operations during her tenure at the Partnership which created an additional 8,357 new jobs.

The Hudson Valley native has served on the Board of the Governor's Mid-Hudson Regional Economic Development Council since its inception (11 years) and currently is an Executive Member of the council. She is also co-chair of the Stewart Air Service Development Committee (SASDC), which is charged with growing the operations at New York Stewart International Airport. Currently, Ms. Halahan Co-Chairs the Board for 17-Forward-86 LDC which is an initiative to add a third lane to Route 17/I-86 through designated areas of Orange and Sullivan counties. Her efforts have borne fruit with Gov. Kathy Hochul who recently earmarked \$1 billion for the project. In addition, Maureen joined the Orange County FoodTec Board, focusing on the food and beverage industry and aligning SUNY Orange educational programs with the jobs that relate to the growing food industry.

Her other achievements include being one of the founding members of the Orange County Capital Development Corporation, one of the first Board Chairs of the Hudson Valley Economic Development Corporation, and one of the first members of the Warwick LDC, which resulted in the successful redevelopment of the Mid-Orange Correctional Facility—the first ground-up corporate park to be built in Orange County in decades.

She also served on the Board of Directors of the Horton-Arden LDC, which was charged with ensuring both hospital properties were sold in time for the opening of the merged facility in the Town of Wallkill.

When not promoting Orange County, Ms. Halahan and her Partnership team support several community initiatives such as the United Way of Dutchess-Orange Region, Hudson Valley Honor Flight, the Danny Prial Memorial Golf Outing, and other veteran and humanitarian causes.

Honors and Awards

- Leadership Orange Hall of Fame
- Bar Association of Orange and Sullivan Counties, Rose Rosen Award
- Leadership Orange Pinnacle of Leadership Award
- Orange County Woman of Achievement Award
- Hudson Valley Magazine Women in Business Award
- United Way of Duchess-Orange Region Special Recognition Award 2015
- 2019 Hudson Valley Cancer Resource Center Great Gal Honoree
- Middletown Business & Professional Women's Assoc. Leadership Award
- Orange County Association of Realtors Spirit of Innovation Award Presented to the Orange County Partnership?
- Hudson Valley Pattern for Progress 2009 Regional Achievement Award
- Minisink Valley High School Hall of Honor

Professional Associations and Memberships

- New York State Economic Development Council
- Mid-Hudson Regional Economic Development Council
- Site-Selectors Guild