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Meet the 2019 class of Valley executives who are making a difference not just in their companies but in the community.

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Meet this year's class making a difference

The leaders of businesses, nonprofits and influential organizations are the lifeblood of any community. On Thursday evening, the Phoenix Business Journal honored the 2019 Most Admired Leaders at the Scottsdale Center for the Performing Arts, where 25 Valley executives had their big moment in the spotlight.

The Business Journal's May 17 weekly print and digital edition features Q&A interviews with the 24 Most Admired Leaders award winners, as well as with Jim Patterson, CEO of UMB Bank Arizona, who is this year's lifetime achievement award winner.

Chosen from a large pool of nominees in an arduous judging process – former Most Admired Leaders winners are among the judges – this year's winners cover a wide swath of businesses and organizations across various industries and sectors.

We asked each winner to provide insights into their leadership style and who inspired them along their own career path – and asked them to offer advice for the next generation of leaders, so readers can glean some insight that might spark some fresh ideas. Subscribers can click on each of the links below to read more about each of the 2019 winners. Again, congratulations to the 2019 class of the Most Admired Leaders.

Lifetime Achievement Honoree

Jim Patterson, UMB Bank

2019 Most Admired Leaders

Gloria Munoz, Housing Authority of Maricopa County

Steve Hart, JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort

Don Pearson, Wells Fargo

Justin Gray, LeadMD, Graymatter Ventures, Greyson Organics

Heather Williamson, Titan Solar Power

Barry Chasse, Chasse Building Team

Dr. David Jacofsky, HOPCo and the Core Institute

Jeff Meshey, Desert Financial Credit Union

Pam Kehaly, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona

William Amelio, Avnet Inc.

Jody Sarchett, Lovitt & Touché

J.P. Dahdah, Vantage Self-Directed Retirement Plans

Brandon Maxwell, M Culinary Concepts

Nick Goodman, MomDoc

Carol May, Wisdom Natural Brands

Tom Kertis, St. Mary's Food Bank

Pete Wertheim, Arizona Osteopathic Medical Association

Deborah Bateman, National Bank of Arizona

Matt Widdows, HomeSmart International

Laura Capello, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Arizona

Mark Feldman, MRA Associates

Kathleen Duffy Ybarra, Duffy Group, Inc.

Kim Sabow, Arizona Lodging & Tourism Association

Steve Schwab, Casago