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**CRAIN'S 2019
NOTABLE
WOMEN IN
REAL
ESTATE**

Crain's Notable Women in Real Estate have broken some of the region's biggest deals, financed major projects, grown portfolios and changed the face of neighborhoods and communities across metro Detroit. They are designers, realtors, construction managers, teachers and unquestionably leaders in what has historically been a male-dominated field.

SHARON MADISON

■ Owner, Madison Madison International; Chair, Detroit-Wayne Joint Building Authority, Detroit
■ Education: Master of Urban Planning, University of Michigan



Sharon Madison is the third generation in her family to lead architecture, engineering, construction management and real estate development in 21 states, Africa and in the West Indies. The conglomerate has managed more than \$5 billion in design and construction projects, including 20,000 units of residential housing.

With Madison in charge, her companies have redeveloped Downtown Detroit's over-100-year-old Julian Madison Building, named after her father, and leased a home for shared workspace company Bamboo.


"Sharon is a... trailblazer for women and minorities in the field. She is well known and highly regarded for providing strategic real estate development and creative design solutions," said Gregory McDuffee, executive director of the Detroit-Wayne Joint Building Authority.

Detroit City Council appointed Madison chair of the Detroit-Wayne Joint Building Authority and as a representative on the Board of Commissioners.

Under her direction, the Building Authority operates the 745,000-square-foot Coleman A. Young Municipal Center under budget. Last year, the center commenced a \$10 million capital spending plan focused on technologically focused security and energy savings initiatives. Also in 2018, the Environmental Protection Agency honored the Building Authority with an Energy Star designation for reducing energy consumption.

In addition to the Building Authority, Madison serves multiple industry organizations, including the Urban Land Institute, Real Estate Executive Council and Building Managers and Owners Association International.


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A Leader By Example

Business and Building Owner; Commission Chair; Arts, Culture and Education Champion; Community Advocate; Speaker - We could go on!

The Detroit-Wayne Joint Building Authority fellow Commissioners and staff congratulate our chairperson Sharon Madison on being recognized as a Crain's 2019 Most Notable Woman In Real Estate. Her leadership, passion, and dedication in many areas is a testament to what she has achieved and the many contributions she continues to make.



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