

# DIFFERENCE MAKERS 2009-2016

LISTED ALPHABETICALLY

## 2016

**MICHAEL J. ASHE JR.**  
Hampden County Sheriff

**MIKE BALISE**  
Balise Motor Sales, Philanthropist  
(1965-2015)

**BIG BROTHERS  
BIG SISTERS**  
of Hampden, Hampshire, and  
Franklin Counties

**CAROL LEARY**  
President, Bay Path University

**JOHN ROBISON**  
President, J.E. Robison Service

## 2015

**KATELYNN'S RIDE**

**MASSMUTUAL  
FINANCIAL GROUP**

**JUDY MATT**  
President, Spirit of Springfield

**THE NEW  
OWNERSHIP GROUP OF  
THE STUDENT PRINCE/  
THE FORT**

**VALLEY VENTURE  
MENTORS**

## 2014

**THE GRAY HOUSE**

**COLLEEN LOVELESS**  
Executive Director,  
Rebuilding Together

**THE MELHA SHRINERS**

**PAULA MOORE**  
Founder,  
Youth Social Educational Training  
(YSET) Academy

**MICHAEL MORIARTY**  
Attorney and President, Olde  
Holyoke Development Corp.

## 2013

**MICHAEL CUTONE,  
JOHN BARBIERI, AND  
THOMAS SARROUF**  
Organizers of Springfield's C3  
Policing Program

**JOHN DOWNING**  
President,  
Soldier On

**BRUCE LANDON**  
President and General Manager,  
Springfield Falcons

**THE SISTERS OF  
PROVIDENCE**

**JIM VINICK**  
Senior Vice President of  
Investments,  
Moors & Cabot Inc.

## 2012

**CHARLIE AND DONALD  
D'AMOUR**  
President/COO and Chairman/CEO,  
Big Y Foods

**WILLIAM MESSNER**  
President,  
Holyoke Community College

**MAJORS TOM AND  
LINDA-JO PERKS**  
Officers, the Springfield Corps of the  
Salvation Army

**BOB SCHWARZ**  
Executive Vice President,  
Peter Pan Bus Lines

**THE WOMEN'S FUND  
OF WESTERN MASS.**

## 2011

**TIM BRENNAN**  
Executive Director,  
Pioneer Valley  
Planning Commission

**LUCIA GIUGGIO  
CARVALHO**  
Founder, Rays of Hope

**DON KOZERA**  
President,  
Human Resources Unlimited

**ROBERT PERRY**  
Retired Partner/Consultant,  
Meyers Brothers Kalicka, P.C.

**ANTHONY SCOTT**  
Police Chief,  
City of Holyoke

## 2010

**THE IRENE A. &  
GEORGE A.  
DAVIS FOUNDATION**

**ELLEN FREYMAN**  
Attorney and Shareholder,  
Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin, P.C.

**JAMES GOODWIN**  
President and CEO,  
Center for Human Development

**CAROL KATZ**  
Chief Executive Officer,  
Loomis Communities

**UMASS AMHERST AND  
CHANCELLOR  
ROBERT HOLUB**

## 2009

**DOUG BOWEN**  
President and CEO,  
PeoplesBank

**KATE KANE**  
Managing Director, Springfield  
Office of Northwestern Mutual  
Financial /The Zuzolo Group

**SUSAN JAYE-KAPLAN**  
Founder, GoFIT;  
Co-founder, Link to Libraries

**WILLIAM WARD**  
Executive Director,  
Regional Employment Board of  
Hampden County

**YPS**  
The Young Professional Society of  
Greater Springfield