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EMMA W. SCHWARTZ

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Emma W. Schwartz is the President of the Medical Center of the Americas (MCA) Foundation, a non-profit organization known as the “keeper of the vision” of the MCA campus. In addition to a variety of campus master planning activities, the Foundation developed and is operating the first private biomedical research facility in the region: the Cardwell Collaborative – 60,000 square feet of wet-labs, dry-labs, data room, office space, collaboration spaces, etc. This project is the recipient of the Texas Governor’s Community Leadership Award for health through the OneStar Foundation, the El Paso Hispanic Chamber of Commerce’s Vision of Excellence award, the AIA El Paso Design Award and the TTU Alumni Design award, all in 2016. The MCA has also acquired land for redevelopment on the campus, funded the development of the TTUHSC Gayle Greve Hunt School of Nursing building and launched a biomedical research and commercialization institute that is working to start-up technology companies using various sources of innovation, including NASA patents. The MCA has raised and received commitments totaling over \$60 million to help it achieve its mission from sources such as the City of El Paso, U.S. Department of Commerce’s Economic Development Administration and local philanthropists.

Before the MCA, Ms. Schwartz worked in the field of healthcare management, revenue cycle improvement and regulatory compliance for a variety of healthcare companies, including Tenet Healthcare, Sinaiko Healthcare Consulting. She has been published extensively in this field and has given many presentations on healthcare, corporate compliance, and the development of the life sciences industry in the Paso del Norte region.

Her community involvement is extensive. She is a director of WestStar Bank in El Paso where she chairs the Audit Committee, the Paso del Norte Center of Hope where she is the board chair, Workforce Solutions Borderplex where she is the Chair of the Youth and Education Committee, and Progress321, a young professional’s organization that she co-founded. She is on the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas’ Emerging Leaders Council and is also the co-chair of El Paso’s chapter of OVAL, Stanford University’s admission outreach and engagement organization. She is also on the Governing Board of the Greater El Paso Chamber of Commerce and served on the El Paso Independent School District’s Facility Advisory Committee. She is a member of the Borderplex Alliance, Women Corporate Directors and Executive Forum. She is a past director for the HUB of Human Innovation and La Fe Preparatory School. In 2016, she was inducted into the El Paso Business Hall of Fame, and she was named El Pasoan of the Year for 2017.

Ms. Schwartz received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Human Biology from Stanford University with a concentration in Comparative Health Policy and a Master of Public Health degree from UCLA in Health Services Management. She is married to Douglas Schwartz, and they have two daughters.



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