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CDFA Recognizes Kevin Donnelly, DFCP

—Newest Graduate of the Prestigious Development Finance Certified Professional (DFCP) Program —

Columbus, OH — The Council of Development Finance Agencies (CDFA) is pleased to announce Kevin Donnelly, Vice President of REDI Cincinnati, as the newest graduate of the prestigious Development Finance Certified Professional (DFCP) program. As a new graduate, Mr. Donnelly joins the ranks of fellow graduates who are recognized as the most qualified leaders in the development finance industry.

"The CDFA team is happy to welcome Kevin into the ranks of DFCP graduates. He is a great example of the best and brightest in the development finance industry," states Toby Rittner, DFCP and President & CEO of CDFA. "Our hope is that through their participation in the DFCP program, graduates leave ready to advance critical development finance efforts in the communities where they work."

Kevin Donnelly is Vice President of Project Management for REDI Cincinnati. In his role, Mr. Donnelly leads REDI's project management, site, and talent teams and is the main contact for companies evaluating the Cincinnati region for growth opportunities.

Before joining REDI, Mr. Donnelly worked for the Northern Kentucky Tri-County Economic Development Corporation (Tri-ED), guiding the IEDC Gold Award-winning business retention and expansion program. He also played a strong role in business development and project management. Before working for Tri-ED, Mr. Donnelly was a strategic coordinator for Northern Kentucky's community visioning plan Vision 2015 (now Skyward), and a manager of public affairs and communications for the Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce.

Originally from Cincinnati, Mr. Donnelly graduated summa cum laude from Northern Kentucky University (NKU) with a bachelor's degree in political science and international studies before receiving his MBA from the same institution.

Outside of work, Mr. Donnelly can be found exploring Northern Kentucky and Greater Cincinnati sports, breweries, and restaurants with his wife Liz, and their kids Jack and Eleanor.

CDFA's Development Finance Certified Professional (DFCP) Program is an intense training course learning experience and is the industry's only comprehensive development finance professional certification program. The DFCP Program is designed to produce graduates with a comprehensive knowledge of development finance concepts, tools, and applicability as well as a deep understanding of the entire development finance spectrum. Graduates of the DFCP Program gain valuable knowledge and experience within the complex development finance industry and achieve a level of understanding unmatched by any other professional certification program.

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