



David Furman, FAIA Founder, Centro CityWorks

David Furman, an architect and Charlotte native, has become a housing specialist with over 35 years experience designing and developing thousands of units, in projects of all scales, throughout Charlotte and the eastern part of the US, continuously winning design awards from national entities including the American Institute of Architects. In 1994, David was elevated to Fellowship in AIA, in recognition of his career in housing innovation.

While founding three different architectural practices, David created a development company, Centro CityWorks, to focus on urban, affordable, and more adventuresome housing projects. Between 2000 and 2008, Centro created 20 projects, valued at over \$250 million, 15 of which are in downtown Charlotte including two high-rise towers. In 2005, David was inducted into the inaugural class of Builder Magazine's Hall of Fame for an outstanding career in housing design. In 2006, he was named Entrepreneur of the Year by the Charlotte Chamber, and also was presented with a Special Achievement Award from Charlotte Center City Partners for Centro's contribution to the renaissance of downtown Charlotte.