



# FOUNDATIONS

## HALL OF FAME FOUNDATION NAMES NEXT CEO



The American Home Furnishings Hall of Fame Foundation has named Patrick Chapin as Chief Executive Officer. In his new role, Chapin will lead the opening of the industry's new home as a place to gather, to learn and to honor.

Prior to joining the Hall of Fame, Chapin served as president and CEO of Business High Point - Chamber of Commerce. During his six-year tenure, the Chamber experienced exceptional growth in revenue, membership, sponsorship and fundraising. Chapin has been recognized by *The New York Times*, *Forbes* and other media for leading the development of Congdon Yards, a public-private initiative with the goal of transforming and revitalizing downtown

High Point, including the renovation of 225,000 square feet of historic hosiery mills. He shepherded a \$50 million philanthropic investment from David Congdon and the Earl and Kathryn Congdon Family Foundation and directly raised an additional \$17 million from public and private donations.

"The Hall of Fame experienced extraordinary growth, including expansion of our programs, the purchase of a building, the launch of the Leadership Initiative and the development of a world-class executive education program," says Caroline Hipple, president of the Foundation Board of Directors and president of Norwalk Furniture. "Patrick is perfectly positioned to expand on our core strengths and take the Hall of Fame to the next level, as we continue to chronicle our history, celebrate our leaders and unite the industry across all roles."

"In less than six months, the Hall of Fame will become a living hub of activities with a forward-facing museum and discovery center for home furnishings. Patrick brings dynamic ideas and a fresh perspective to High Point and to the industry," says Karen McNeill, Chief Vision Officer. "He is a proven leader with tremendous operations experience and a demonstrated passion for transformational change."

## HALL OF FAME CALLS FOR NOMINATIONS THROUGH FEBRUARY 1

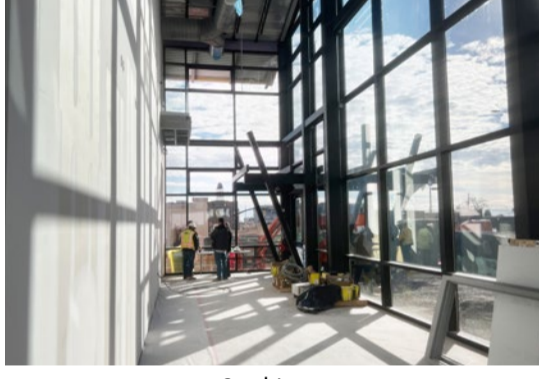
Nominations for the Class of 2023 induction into the Hall of Fame are now open. All members of the Foundation are eligible to nominate and to second a nomination.

To qualify for consideration, the individual must conduct business in the United States, have served in the industry at least 15 years, have created a legacy as a positive influence and champion of the industry, and have achieved the pinnacle of their career. Posthumous nominations require that the nominee be deceased for at least 12 months prior to the nomination.

To submit a nomination, re-nomination or posthumous nomination, complete the form at [www.homefurnishingshalloffame.com](http://www.homefurnishingshalloffame.com) or call 336.882.5900 for a printed version. Include a print or 300 dpi digital photo of the candidate. All nominations must be seconded in writing by another Foundation member. Lists of current members, previous nominees and inductees are available online or by phone.

The completed nomination package must be postmarked no later than February 1, 2023. Email to [lestep@homefurnishingshalloffame.com](mailto:lestep@homefurnishingshalloffame.com) or mail to American Home Furnishings Hall of Fame Foundation, Inc., 202 Neal Place, Suite 101, High Point, NC 27262.

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