

Everyone, Meet

# DANA ALLENDER

Dana Allender, a life-long resident of Northeast Ohio, has been committed to working with like-minded individuals and organizations to promote and grow the region.

As Founder of SUN, he's worked with emerging technology startups and small businesses to build "revenue roadmaps" to create scalable, sustainable growth. Recently, on what's been a focus on AI, Dana helped lead the "go to market" efforts at Clinc, a conversational AI fintech based out of Ann Arbor, MI and most recently HEXANIKA, a regtech based out of Little Rock, AR -- a start up that came out of the Fintech 71 accelerator in Columbus, OH in 2017. He also provided sales strategy and leadership to other small- and mid-sized businesses here in the region.

In 2018, served as part of the business growth's leadership team at Greater Cleveland Partnership, focusing on business growth and economic development within the emerging technology sector. He currently sits on the GCP InGear Business Advisory Committee and Ohio X New Ventures Committee. He also is a member of the Association of Accredited Small Business Consultants, Cleveland SHRM and is part of the Sandler Sales Training President's Club. He is also a member of COSE and along with several other Chambers of Commerce here in Northeast Ohio.

Active in a number of civic and nonprofit organizations, he has served on the Alumni Board of Trustees at Walsh University where he earned his Bachelor of Arts in Business and is Past President of the Kent State University (Stark Campus) Alumni Association. He's a mentor in the community as well, working in the JumpStart's Burton D. Morgan Mentoring Program and has worked with previously with cohorts of the Bounce Innovation Hub and Fintech 71.

Dana resides in Rocky River, OH with his wife Noel and two children, Blake and Sydney.

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