

## Industry + Policy Forum Moderator



### Taylor Evans

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Taylor Evans is the Founder and President of [Rust Belt Recruiting](#), a leading manufacturing recruiting agency. A vocal and active advocate for the growth of skilled, technical and professional workforce in our communities, his company is committed to serving as a catalyst for change within the Midwest and Great Lakes regions.

Taylor has found the perfect intersection of his passions: economic and social impact, workforce development and community revitalization. Taylor focuses on company vision, community engagement and business development.

Taylor is actively involved as the Chairman of the Council of Smaller Enterprises' (COSE) Board of Advisors. He is an Executive Committee member of the Greater Cleveland Partnership's Board of Directors, while also serving as a member of their Talent Committee and their Government Affairs Council. With Team NEO, the region's economic development agency, he is a member of the Talent

Development Council. On a national level he is a Board Member of the National Small Business Association (NSBA). He is a board member for One Step Ahead Ohio, a Northeast Ohio non-profit supporting local communities. Civic engagement is at the core of his daily work and drives his professional decision making.

Taylor is a proud graduate of Ohio University, where he currently serves on the Executive Advisory Board for the College of Business. He currently resides in Bay Village with his wife, Jenna, and their four children, Camden, Mila, Chloe and Paige.

## **Press**

- [ProductionMachining.com](#) (June 2020)
- [ScoutLogic "Winning The Recovery"](#) (June 2020)
- [Wall Street Journal](#) (October 2022)
- [Wall Street Journal](#) (November 2023)
- [MarketWatch](#) (December 2023)
- [IdeaStream](#) (December 2023)
- [IdeaStream #2](#) (March 2024)
- [The Manufacturing Report](#) (May 2024)
- [Fortune](#) (June 2024)
- [MarketWatch #2](#) (September 2024)