DIRECTOR PROFILE



JON NIENAS

In the Workplace

Jon Nienas grew up on a farm, so working in the agricultural industry was right up his alley. He had a lot of fun in that field as it was very challenging yet rewarding. In fact, Monsanto was the only job he ever had other than working for his dad on the farm! After spending 33 years at Monsanto, he is now retired. He's enjoying his retirement because now he can spend time on the things that matter to him, such as his family, faith, and charity.





When he's not busy with the Board, you can find him golfing, hunting, weightlifting, having a good cigar while cheering on the St. Louis Cardinals and the St. Louis Blues, or spending time with his friends and family. Family is a big part of Jon's life and they make sure to take at least one family vacation per year - something they view as very important to them as he, his wife, and three children are very close and spend a lot of time together. To top it all off, Jon's first grandchild was born in August 2020!



Jon was previously the Chairman of the Board for CHMO, and continued to serve as a Member-at-Large after his term ended. He decided to serve on the Board because he realized he wanted to help the youth in St. Louis that were not given a good break in life. He also wanted to be a part of a real solution and Covenant House Missouri is a total solution for kids that need love and direction. Some of his favorite parts of serving on the Board are seeing the positive outcomes for our youth. "Experiencing our kids growing to independence is very moving and satisfying. I do also like meeting and working with other professionals on our Board and on the staff that share the same passion," Jon says.