

Mark Pinsky

Opportunity Finance Network

Mark Pinsky is President & Chief Executive Officer of [Opportunity Finance Network](#), the national network of high-performing community development finance institutions and other opportunity finance institutions. Mark is responsible for Opportunity Finance Network's vision of a world where all people have the resources and the opportunities to act in the best interests of their communities, themselves, and future generations. To that end, he is leading Opportunity Finance Network and the industry to create a high-impact, high-volume financing system providing tens of billions of dollars annually benefiting millions of low-income and low-wealth people.

In his speeches and written materials, Mark often discusses his lifelong passion for Opportunity Finance Network's core purpose of aligning capital with social, economic, and political justice. He draws inspiration from the work CDFIs do, the people they serve, his family's legacy of working for justice, and his religious faith.

Since Mark joined Opportunity Finance Network in 1995, the CDFI industry has grown more than ten-fold while Opportunity Finance Network has expanded membership more than 400% and assets more than 1500%. Under his leadership, the organization has introduced multiple innovative products including the Equity Equivalent investment (EQ2), the CDFI Assessment and Ratings System™ (CARS™), performance-based financing, the Opportunity Mortgage Network, and the *Wachovia NEXT Awards for Opportunity Finance*. Opportunity Finance Network is the industry leader in policy, as well, securing funding for core federal programs such as the CDFI Fund and creating bold new opportunities.

Prior to OFN, Mark founded and ran a public affairs consulting firm, served as Executive Director of a public policy research organization, consulted to federal and state political campaigns, and wrote extensively about public policy.

Mark currently chairs the national boards of the CDFI Data Project, the Opportunity Mortgage Network, and CARS™. He also serves on the Boards of Net Impact, the CDFI Coalition, and New Mexico Community Capital, as well as on advisory boards to the Center for Community Development Investments at the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, Bank of America's National Consumer Advisory Council, and several New Market Tax Credit community development entities. He served on the Consumer Advisory Council of the Federal Reserve Board of Governors from 2003 through 2005, including service as Chair of the Council in 2005. In 2002, President George W. Bush appointed Mark to the CDFI Fund Advisory Board in the U.S. Department of the Treasury, where he served until 2006. Mark was the founding President of Congregation Tzedek v'Shalom, a Reconstructionist synagogue in Newtown, PA. Mark and his family live in Yardley, Pennsylvania.