

AEHS Foundation Achievement Awards



Domenico Grasso is the sixth chancellor of the University of Michigan-Dearborn and the first Michigan graduate to lead the university. He also is an Executive Officer of the University of Michigan.

Directly prior to joining UM-Dearborn in 2018, he was Provost and Chief Academic Officer at the University of Delaware. Earlier in his career, he held posts as Smith College's Rosemary Bradford Hewlett Professor and founding Director of the Picker Engineering Program – the first engineering program at a women's college and one of the few at a liberal arts college in the United States. He also served as Dean of the College of Engineering and Mathematical Sciences and Vice President for Research at the University of Vermont.

Grasso earned his Ph.D. in Environmental Engineering from the University of Michigan and has published extensively in the areas of environmental science and engineering. In addition, he has held several high-profile advisory posts, including Fellow on NATO's Committee on the Challenges of Modern Society, Technical Expert to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, Vice Chair of the Science Advisory Board for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and President of the Association of Environmental Engineering and Science Professors. Grasso views engineering as a natural bridge between science and humanity and has found ways to engage the youngest STEM learners, co-founding, along with pioneer astronaut Sally Ride, the TOYChallenge – a nationwide toy design event for middle school students.

Grasso is a former Army officer and is married to Susan Hull Grasso, an accomplished engineer and Michigan alumna. Together, they have four adult children and enjoy cycling, hiking, skiing, and spending time outdoors with their dogs.

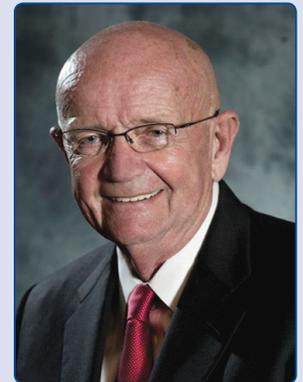
General Gordon R. Sullivan currently serves as the Chairman of the Board of the Army Historical Foundation in Arlington, Virginia. In this capacity, he leads the Capital Campaign to construct the National Museum of the United States Army at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. A tireless advocate for soldiers and their families, the museum project remains consistent with General Sullivan's priorities – to recognize the contributions of over 30 million American men and women who have served in our Army.

From 1998 to 2016, General Sullivan was the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Association of the United States Army, headquartered in Arlington, where he oversaw the transformation of the association into a dynamic, member-based organization that continues to represent Soldiers, Army families, and the defense industry.

Born in Boston, Massachusetts and raised in Quincy, he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in history from Norwich University and was commissioned a second lieutenant of Armor in 1959. General Sullivan retired from the Army on July 31, 1995, after more than 36 years of active service. He culminated his uniformed service as the 32nd Chief of Staff – the Army's senior general officer – and a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Since 2017, GEN Sullivan has served as a Distinguished Leader in Residence (DLR) at Norwich University. He helped launch the Center for Global Resilience and Security (CGRS) based on his talk on Climate Impacts on National Security. GEN Sullivan has also been actively involved with Norwich's Peace and War Center, providing key insight into many of the Center's initiatives and programs.

General Sullivan currently resides in Falmouth, Massachusetts with his wife Lori. He has three children and three grandchildren. He is an avid reader, amateur historian, and active sailor and sport fishing enthusiast.



Frank Peduto, P.E. has spent over 40 years in the environmental field serving in both the public and private sector. He began his environmental career in 1978 at the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). In 1985 he became one of the founding members of the then fledgling New York State Oil Spill Program. As the program grew Frank ultimately became responsible for innovated technologies and research within the Spill program. Frank was the principal author of the Spill Technology and Remediation Series ("STARS #1"), the NYS Guidance Document of Contaminated Soil Cleanup guidelines. In seeking other like-minded professionals in the world of petroleum-contaminated soils, Frank joined the conference on contaminated soils Science Advisory Board where he has been a participant through 2018.

In 1988 Frank initiated the first subsurface bioremediation in NYS with the injection of bacteria into the groundwater to intercept contamination flowing toward a village supply well. He also conducted research of treating small quantities of contaminated (<1000 cu yds) with various technologies, i.e., vapor extraction, designer bacteria for fuel oil, gasoline, and diesel. This research led to publication of the second guidance document, STARS #2, Small Scale Bioremediation for Contaminated Soils.

In 2003 Frank retired from the NYSDEC and went to work in the private sector for Spectra Engineering. After many years as a regulator, he was now representing the regulated community. Frank retired from Spectra (now JMT) this year and is spending as much time as possible playing golf.