



Building Drug-Free Communities



Arthur T. Dean

Arthur T. Dean became the Chairman and CEO of Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA) on August 31, 1998. His responsibilities as Chairman and CEO include providing strategic direction, diversifying and increasing funding, leading the board, being the primary spokesman for the organization and overseeing the operations and personnel of CADCA.

Before joining CADCA, he spent 31 years in the U.S. Army. He retired on August 31, 1998, at the grade of Major General. During his time in the Army, General Dean served around the world. He saw combat in the Republic of Vietnam and Saudi Arabia. He was a U.S. Army and Republic of Vietnam Senior Parachutist and an Army Ranger. He possesses numerous awards with the highest being two awards of the U.S. Army Distinguished Service Medal.

General Dean is the 2016 recipient of National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA)'s Senator Harold Hughes Memorial Award and National Conference on Citizenship's prestigious Franklin Award for Citizen of the Year.

General Dean has served as a member of numerous boards to include the Executive Council of the Atlanta Area Boy Scouts of America; member of the Defense Science Board Human Resources Task Force; chairman of the Multijurisdictional Counterdrug Task Force Training (MCTFT) Advisory Committee; co-chair and member, Advisory Commission, Drug Free Communities (DFC) Support Program, Executive Office of the President; member of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) Advisory Council; member, Executive Committee (EXCOM) of the National Action Alliance for Suicide Prevention; and member, Board of Directors, The Madeira School. He currently serves as a member, National Advisory Council on Drug Abuse, National Institutes of Health (NIH); and Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America Board of Directors, for which he serves as Chairman.

General Dean received his undergraduate degree in history from Morgan State University in 1967 and his master's degree in management and supervision from Central Michigan University in 1977. He is also a graduate of the Stanford University's Advanced Management Program and the U.S. Army's War College.