A long career in downtown and neighborhood revitalization began in Rock Island, IL where Dan grew Renaissance Rock Island from a tiny staff and a budget of $70,000 into one of the Midwest’s leading community-based development organizations. At the time of his departure in 2005 staff had increased to 14 and annual operations exceeded $3,000,000.

Since 2007 Carmody has served as President of Eastern Market Corporation (EMC) where he leads the non-profit transforming one of Detroit’s most venerable institutions into the nation’s most inclusive, resilient, and robust regional food hubs.

EMC seeks to leverage its long history of retail and wholesale markets, an adjacent cluster of food businesses, and crop diversity from Michigan, Ontario, Ohio to fortify the regional food system.

EMC works with many partners to; build a great urban neighborhood around the market, increase access to healthy food throughout Detroit, and create new food ventures and employment opportunities.

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