



Rick Blangiardi is currently the General Manager of Hawai'i's largest multimedia company, Hawai'i News Now, KGMB (CBS) and KHNL (NBC). Prior to his career in broadcast, he spent seven years coaching college football including five at UH as the Defensive Coordinator/Associate Head Football Coach. He began his broadcast career at KGMB in 1977 and worked in other markets including New York, Seattle, San Francisco and Los Angeles. In 2002, he was the President of Telemundo Holdings, Inc., the nation's second largest Hispanic television network, and led the sale of Telemundo in 2001 to NBC for \$2.7 billion.

He is a firm believer in community involvement and has been fortunate to be a board member on many of Hawai'i's leading non-profits, educational institutions, and youth development programs including Past President for the Aloha Council,

Boy Scouts of America, and Chair of the Board, Chamber of Commerce of Hawai'i. Long associated with UH Football, he was Past President of Nā Koa, the University of Hawai'i Football Booster Club.

Recognized by the Sales and Marketing Executives International Chapter as "Salesperson of the Year for 2010". In 2014, he received the University of Hawai'i's "Distinguished Alumni Award". Most recently, he was recognized by the Aloha Council-Boy Scouts of America as "Hawai'i's Distinguished Citizen of the Year for 2015".

"I have been blessed to call Hawai'i my home since 1965," said Rick Blangiardi." At this stage of my life, given the responsibility and resources I have available to me through my work, I remain focused and committed to helping improve the quality of life in our islands each and every day."

His education includes a Bachelor of Science from Springfield College in Massachusetts, a Master's Degree in Educational Administration (M.Ed.) from University of Hawai'i, and received the University of Hawai'i's "Distinguished Alumni Award" in 2014.