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The illustration features a grid of 20 small square boxes. In the center, a red banner reads "SOUTH FLORIDA BUSINESS JOURNAL". Below this, the text "CFP" is displayed in a large, bold, black serif font, with the "P" containing a bar chart icon. Underneath, "2023 AWARDS" is written in a bold, black sans-serif font. Below the awards text, it says "PRESENTED BY" followed by the "Steven Douglas" logo, which includes a blue asterisk-like symbol. The bottom of the illustration shows several stacks of cash tied with gold ribbons, with more cash bills floating in the air. A small black square with a white plus sign is in the bottom right corner.

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his year's CFO Awards honorees reflect the changes and challenges faced by financial executives across employers of all stripes. Whether privately held, publicly traded or nonprofit, these organizations face similar turmoil and opportunities. ¶ What each has seemingly discovered is that their roles and responsibilities transcend accounting and finance. They said that, by getting to know the business beyond their offices, they develop a stronger understanding of the people, processes and performance that can bolster or thwart growth.

With a presence of mind and an embrace of the latest technology, along with the desire to mentor their teams and share in the successes they've achieved, their organizations aren't the only success stories. Their own careers – and those of their people – have blossomed in kind. Those are returns worth showcasing, and

they are worthy of praise as a CFO Awards honoree.

The 2023 CFO Awards took place May 4 at Signature Grand in Davie. The event was presented by StevenDouglas, with corporate sponsors Berkowitz Pollack Brant CPAs + Advisors and CIBC, "Out of the Box" sponsor Amazon and centerpiece sponsor OZ Digital Consulting.

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Career: Successive roles, including managing director, finance and technology to CFO, KW Property Management and Consulting; audit supervisor, Berkowitz Dick Pollack and Brant

Key accomplishments in the past year: Several contract renegotiations that provided a savings of over \$175,000 a year; continuation of the development of new bots providing efficiencies in our accounting processes.

Tip for proteges: Have a positive attitude.

Professionally, I'm kept up nights by: Not having done our best for our clients.

My second career would be: Chef, because I love being creative and it allows me to learn about different cultures and cuisines.

If I could ask one executive one question ... I'd ask former *Washington Post* publisher Katharine Graham her opinion and thoughts about diversity in the C-suite.