

Vectren Economic Development

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As the Economic Development Manager for Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio, Walt is responsible for building relationships with businesses seeking to move into or expand their operations in west central Ohio. He is actively involved with several local, regional and state economic development organizations throughout the 17 counties served natural gas by Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio. His experience of eight years of community involvement combined with 12 years of building and developing and ten years in the utility space makes Walt a unique fit for his role with Vectren.

Up until mid-2015, Walt lead the Home Builders Association of Dayton (HBA) as Executive Director, he was accountable for the association's management and governmental duties, advocacy, community and government relations and economic development, membership development, programs and the ever popular home shows such as Homearama and Parade of Homes.

Prior to joining the HBA in May of 2007, Walt was the Vice President of Business Development of Greater Dayton Construction Ltd. DBA Oberer Thompson Company, a commercial and residential construction and development company, for four years.

He also worked for ten years with the Dayton Power and Light Company (DP&L) interfacing with customers while managing and presenting several energy-efficient training, service programs, performance contracting and street lighting operations.

Currently, Walt is involved with several community and development non-profit Boards including; Chair of CountyCorp Board of Directors, Chair of the Preble County Development Partnership, and is a member of the Dayton Development Coalition Priority Development Advisory Committee, the Montgomery County Workforce Investment Board, the I70/75 Development Association Board and Dayton Rotary Club Board of Directors.

Walt has a Bachelors Degree in Construction Technology from Eastern Kentucky University and has studied Architectural Technology at Sinclair Community College. He and his spouse, Joan, have two adult children and currently reside in Sugarcreek Township.