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Stafford EDT welcomes new Business Development Officer, Josh Summits



Joshua (Josh) Summits from Pennsylvania will join the Stafford County Department of Economic Development and Tourism team as their new Business Development Officer.

Mr. Summits' has joined the Stafford team after spending 10+ years working for the City of Johnstown, Pennsylvania and the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. There, his experiences focused on community and economic development, business expansion and attraction, as well as underwriting and packaging business financing loan packages.

John Holden, Director, notes that, "Josh brings 10+ years of experience in community and economic development. We are eager for Josh to continue our department's efforts on recruiting and attracting major businesses to Stafford County."

Summits' primary focus will be twofold. First, he will be reaching out to existing businesses to seek opportunities for expansion. Josh will also be in Stafford's continued focus on attracting new business investment to the County. Mr. Summits will work closely with Rick Cobert, Manager for Economic Development, and the Stafford County Economic Development Authority on their ongoing efforts to support business growth and develop projects for the County.

He has earned a Bachelor's degree in Urban and Regional Planning from West Virginia University and a Master's degree in Urban Planning from the Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Additionally, he holds the designation of an Economic Development Finance Professional (EDFP) from the National Development Council.

In his spare time, Josh enjoys watching football, relaxing on the beach, and spending time with his family.