

John A. Budesky

Biography

John A. Budesky currently serves as County Administrator for Goochland County.

John has been a local government administrator for over 20 years. Most recently John served as Deputy County Administrator for Hanover County, Virginia and prior to that role he served as the City Manager for the City of Manassas. He also was appointed as the Executive Director of the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission during two separate Governor Administrations. Prior to serving the Commonwealth, he was the County Administrator for New Kent County, Virginia, Assistant City Administrator in the City of Hagerstown, Maryland, and a Department Head within Washington County government, in Hagerstown, Maryland. He has also operated a private consulting company specializing in strategic planning, team building, and community relations.

In his on-going effort to support future generations of government leaders, he was recognized for his efforts to establish a series of lessons for "Emerging Leaders" in the local government profession. He won the prestigious Wallerstein Scholarship that is administered by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service, with the University of Virginia, and the Virginia Municipal League. He will be serving as a professor in the Virginia Tech Masters of Public Administration Local Government Certificate program starting in the spring of 2018.

He is a member of the Virginia Local Government Management Association, the International City/County Management Association, LEAD Virginia, serves on the Board of Directors for Leadership Metro Richmond (LMR), and has actively engaged in a number of school based and community service organizations.

He has obtained his Bachelor of Arts degree, majoring in criminal justice, from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, holds a Graduate Certificate in Public Management from Shenandoah University, and a Management Certificate from the University of Maryland. He has obtained his Masters in Public Administration from Virginia Tech and is a Credentialed Manager through the International City/County Management Association.

John is a native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and in his spare time he enjoys sports, classic cars, motorcycles, movies, and antiques. He is the proud and loving father of two children Emily age 13 and Evan age 9.