

## BIOGRAPHY – JoAnn Crary, CEcD

JoAnn Crary is the President of Saginaw Future, a non-profit economic development organization. She has held that position since 1993 and has been in economic development since the mid 1980's.

Crary completed her undergraduate degree from Ferris State University and has a Masters degree from Central Michigan University. She is a Certified Economic Developer (CEcD), a graduate of the University of Oklahoma's Economic Development Institute and is a certified Economic Development Finance Professional.



Crary is a member of the MEDC Executive Committee its Finance Committee and chairs the Human Resources Committee. Since 2006, she has served on the Board of the International Economic Development Council and serves on the Performance Oversight and Monitoring Committee and the Audit Subcommittee.

Crary is also on the Michigan Economic Development Corporation CEO Practitioners Council, the Saginaw County Revolving Loan Fund Board, Saginaw Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, Citizens Bank Market Area Board and the Saginaw Hospital Finance Authority.

Crary is also on the Covenant HealthCare Partners Board of Directors, Board of Fellows at Saginaw Valley State University, Saginaw Community Foundation Board of Directors, Mobile Medical Response Finance Committee and is an ex officio member of the Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.

Crary was given the Wally Bronner Community Spirit Award from the Saginaw County Chapter of American Red Cross in 2010. She was also awarded the inaugural Economic Leadership Award from Junior Achievement of Northeast Michigan in 2010. The Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce gave Crary the Athena Award in 2005 and in 2001, the Michigan Economic Developers Association named Crary as the MEDA Medalist Award winner. In 1996, she was honored by Governor Engler as the Economic Developer of the Year for outstanding contributions in economic development.

JoAnn and her two children, KaLynn and Michael reside in Frankenmuth.

Established in 1992, **Saginaw Future** (SF) is a public-private alliance of local businesses, the County of Saginaw, City of Saginaw, 16 local municipalities and the Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce. SF's strategic partners also include education, labor and government. Since its beginning, SF has remained dedicated to fostering quality job creation through expansion of local industry and attraction of new business projects to the community.