

BIOGRAPHY – Steve Jonas, CEcD

Steve Jonas is the Executive Vice President of Saginaw Future , a private nonprofit economic development agency serving Saginaw County, MI, USA.

Steve has been involved in economic development for over 20 years, starting his career in 1987 as a credit analyst for Saginaw County’s public loan fund then serving as the regional SBA Small Business Development Center director before taking his current position as executive vice president for Saginaw Future in 1995.



Steve’s primary areas of responsibility include the Corporate Watch Program, a county-wide business retention call program, grant writing and administration, serving as a loan officer for Saginaw County’s Revolving Loan fund and strategic planning and fundraising for the organization.

Steve is an active member of the International Economic Developers Council, an international economic developer’s association, and received their Certified Economic and Community Development professional designation. Steve also served for 3 years on the executive committee of the Michigan Economic Developers Association, a state wide economic development association, and is a past president of the organization.

He serves on many community boards, including the Saginaw County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Board, the Great Lakes Bay Michigan Works Board and East Central Michigan’s Planning and Development Regions ACAP Board and Regional Economic Development Strategy Team.

Steve received his undergraduate BSBA degree, major in Finance, from Central Michigan University and a Masters in Business Administration from Saginaw Valley State University.

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.