

Effective county government demands active leadership. I am eager to continue my active participation in all levels of government. I value being a conduit to connect people, resources and community needs across Kalamazoo County. I have been able to combine my role as a commissioner with my community and development expertise enabling me to work successfully with others to improve the quality of life for all residents. My priorities: Lead the charge against unfunded state mandates to avoid fiscal and social damage to local government. Develop programs that strengthen our local economy and retain people with expertise and know-how to drive innovation. Stabilize the funding of our vital infrastructure to create jobs, attract businesses and increase local property values. Continue to provide *Common Sense Solutions*.