

Tuscaloosa County Economic Development Authority Elects Officers

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TUSCALOOSA, Ala.--The **Tuscaloosa County Economic Development Authority** (TCEDA)¹ has elected Norman A. Crow, Jr., president of DT Freight, LLC, chairman for 2022. Crow succeeds Mark S. Crews, Sr., western division vice president of Alabama Power Company, who completes his term December 31, 2021.

"I appreciate the opportunity given to me by this board to contribute to Tuscaloosa County's positive economic growth," said Crow. "We are focused on being a leader in developing our community's resources to create new jobs for our citizens, and we will do so through the support of our partners, our volunteers and our local elected officials."

Crow stated that the Authority's successful recruitment over the last four decades has significantly influenced and impacted the community we enjoy today.

"Tuscaloosa County represents an automotive hub, with an international appeal, and a hometown feel," said Crow. "We will continue to build on our past achievements, while creating new opportunities throughout our community during the coming year. We will be successful by everyone working together."

Steven S. Rumsey, owner of Rumsey Properties, LLC, will serve as vice chair, and Tim Parker, III, president of Parker Towing Company Inc., will serve as treasurer.

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¹ The Tuscaloosa County Industrial Development Authority does business as the Tuscaloosa County Economic Development Authority (effective March 2021).

Danielle Winningham, executive director of the Authority, was re-elected as secretary, and Michael D. Smith, a partner with Smith and Staggs, LLP and Authority legal counsel, was re-elected as assistant secretary.

“Our organization’s efforts have been an integral part of Tuscaloosa County’s economic development activities since the Authority was first established in 1975,” said Danielle Winningham, TCEDA executive director. “Our officers and community volunteers are vital to our success in maximizing the development and growth potential of Tuscaloosa County. Together, we will work to support the Authority’s mission and goals.”

About TCEDA

The Tuscaloosa County Industrial Development Authority (TCIDA), doing business as the Tuscaloosa County Economic Development Authority (TCEDA), is the primary economic development recruitment agency for all jurisdictions within Tuscaloosa County, Alabama’s sixth largest populated county. The agency focuses on the creation of jobs through the location of new and expanding investment in the form of industrial, technology, and knowledge-based projects. It is a one stop source for accessing all site location data including available sites and buildings, financing, employee training, incentives and quality of life. The Authority was created by the Alabama Legislature in 1973 and is governed by a board of directors representing local governments and members of the business and education communities.

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