

Arnold Weinfeld

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Connector. Convener. Working to build problem-solving relationships with policymakers and university-community partners.

Biography

Arnold is Acting Director of the Institute for Public Policy and Social Research (IPPSR) at Michigan State University as well as Director of Urban Policy Initiatives for University Outreach and Engagement. At IPPSR, Arnold assists with the coordination of programs such as the Michigan Political Leadership Program, Legislative Leadership Programming, State of the State Survey and issue forums. He also assists the Institute's undergraduate and graduate fellows with their research work. In this capacity at Outreach and Engagement, he serves as a connector and boundary spanner, working with offices such as the Center for Community and Economic Development as well as other MSU faculty, local officials and community stakeholders to develop university-community partnerships and affect urban systems and policy change at all levels. Prior to joining UOE, Arnold served as CEO of the Prima Civitas Foundation, a community and economic development non-profit organization. He also has worked for the Michigan Municipal League where he served in a number of roles including, Director of State and Federal Affairs, Director of Strategic initiatives and President of the Michigan Municipal League Foundation. Arnold began his career with the Michigan House of Representatives where he worked as a legislative aide, policy analyst and policy director. He has served his own community as an elected member of the Waverly Community Schools Board of Education and is currently on his local planning commission. He is also on the board of statewide organizations such as Creative Many Michigan, the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association, and Michigan Rural Council. He is a graduate of Michigan State University's College of Social Science Multi-Disciplinary Program.

Areas of Expertise

Public Policy, Legislative Relations, Strategic Planning, Program Management, Placemaking, Program Development, Strategy, Community Outreach

Affiliations

Waverly Community Schools Board of Education : Member, Planning Commission, Creative Many Michigan : Board Member, Michigan Recreation and Parks Association : Member, Michigan Rural Council : Member

Education

Michigan State University

Bachelor's Degree Social Sciences

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