



James C. Johnson has been the Executive Director of the Steuben County Industrial Development Agency since March of 2011. During that time he has led efforts in Steuben County to facilitate business expansions at global manufacturers like The Gunlocke Corporation, Corning Incorporated, Advanced Transit Manufacturing, and HP Hood. In addition, Johnson and his team played a key role in attracting Upstate Niagara to purchase and continue operations of the former Kraft/Heinz plant which was slated for closure.

With over 20 years' experience in economic development, Johnson also sits on several local, regional and State boards and organizations involved with developing economic development policy and programs. Those organizations include, the Southern Tier Regional Economic Development Council, Corning Community College Development Foundation, Guthrie Corning Hospital, REDEC, Southern Tier Regional Planning and Development Board, CSS Workforce NY and Co-Chair's the Policy Committee for the New York State Economic Development Council. Johnson holds a Bachelor of Arts in Communications from the University of Pittsburgh and a Master of Arts in Community and Economic Development from SUNY Empire State College. Johnson is involved with several community initiatives and organizations and lives in the Town of Caton with his wife Melissa and their son Jayden and enjoys camping and the outdoors.