



Allen Joines
President, Winston-Salem Alliance
Mayor of the City of Winston-Salem

Allen received his B.S. from Appalachian State University and his Master's of Public Administration from the University of Georgia. In 1971 he began his career in Winston-Salem as Assistant to the City Manager. Subsequent promotions were to Director of Evaluation, Public Safety Coordinator, the Director of Development and Deputy City Manager. During his tenure he worked with more than 30 companies that relocated or expanded in Winston-Salem, creating over 6,000 new jobs. He retired from the City of Winston-Salem in 2000 to become the President of The Winston-Salem Alliance, a non-profit development corporation created to improve economic vitality and create additional employment opportunities in Winston-Salem. He was elected Mayor of the City of Winston-Salem in November 2001 and re-elected in 2005.

As Mayor, he has concentrated on rebuilding the economy and in unifying the community. During his first term, over 4,000 jobs were created through recruitment of new companies. He continues to work to create additional jobs thru recruitment, expansion of existing companies and new business start-ups.

In addition, the growth of the City's tax base has increased from about 1% in 2001 to over 3% in each of the past two years.

Allen has held numerous positions in professional, civic and community organizations, including the N.C. Development Association, serving as president; the Triad March of Dimes as Chairman and Vice Chairman, the Board of Directors of the Salvation Army Boys' Club and Program Chair of Leadership Winston-Salem. He is also past Chairman of the Winston-Salem Arts Council, past President of Sertoma West, past member of the Tourism Development Authority, the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of Winston-Salem, and a past member of the N.C. League of Municipalities Board of Directors.

Allen served as a member of the Board and Executive Committee of the United Way, as was the 2004 United Way Campaign Chairman.

He serves on the Board of Directors for the Children's Museum, and was the 2006 Chairman of the Community Advisory Board of the Children's Museum. He is a member of the Board of Directors of Winston-Salem Business, Inc., and a member of the Executive Committee of the N.C. Metropolitan Coalition.

He serves as a member of the Greater Winston Salem Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, the Downtown Winston Salem Partnership, the Piedmont Triad Research Park Board of Trustees, Goodwill Industries Foundation Board, and the Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation.

Governor Michael Easley appointed him to the North Carolina Local Government Commission, the Fiscal Modernization Study Commission and to the 21st Century Transportation Study Commission.

In recognition for his efforts to bring about racial healing and to foster a unified community, Mayor Joines has received a number of community awards. He was presented the 2002 Winston-Salem Foundation Award in recognition of his "visionary leadership and for committing his life to the betterment of Winston-Salem." The Winston-Salem Chronicle named him the "Man of the Year" in 2003. He was presented the "Dare to Dream" award as part of the Martin Luther King, Jr., Commemoration in 2005 for his efforts with racial healing.

The Business Journal named him one of "The Triad's Most Influential People" in 2006, 2007 and 2008.

In 2007, he received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Arthritis Foundation of North Carolina. He was also the recipient of the "2007 Marvin Collins Planning Award for Distinguished Leadership of an Elected Official" presented by the N.C. Chapter of the American Planning Association.

He was the 2008 recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Boy Scouts of America, Old Hickory Council.

Governor Beverly Perdue appointed him Chairman of the State Economic Development Board in May, 2009.

He received an Honorary Doctorate from Wake Forest University at the May, 2009 commencement ceremony.

He is a member of First Baptist Church.

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