

Margot Fosnes is the chief economic development officer for Robertson County, employed by the Robertson County Economic Development Board. She was formerly President & Chief Economic Development Officer for the Robertson County Chamber of Commerce, serving from 2006 through February 2018. She has a long time association with the Chamber, serving on the Board and Executive Committee for eight years and as president of the Chamber in 2001-02. Prior to becoming the chamber executive director in November 2006, she served as Executive Assistant to the General Secretary of the United Methodist Church's Council on Finance and Administration and was Treasurer of First United Methodist Church in Springfield for ten years.

She has been active in a number of community endeavors, including Children's Dance Theatre of Robertson County, the Springfield Parks and Recreation Board, Parent-Advisory Committee of the Board of Education, and Chairman of the Playground 2000 project at Garner Street Park. She is a 2002 graduate of Leadership Middle Tennessee and served on that board for three years. She serves on the boards of Cumberland Region Tomorrow, the Transit Alliance of Middle TN, the Regional Transportation Authority, the Robertson County Community Foundation, and the Springfield/Robertson County Airport. She is a past president of the Kiwanis Club of Springfield and currently serves as Secretary.

In her current role, Fosnes is the primary contact for economic development and business retention for Robertson County, working with city and county officials and industrial boards to recruit and retain industry and business to Robertson County,

Fosnes was born in Jacksonville, Florida and came to Tennessee in 1975 to continue her education at Vanderbilt University in Nashville. She received a B.A. in Economics, summa cum laude, from Vanderbilt in 1979. She received the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) designation in 1983 and IOM certification from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's Institute for Organizational Management in 2012. She and her husband, Dr. Jeff Fosnes, moved to Springfield in 1989 where he began a family medicine practice. They have two sons, C.A., who graduated in 2007 from Emory University in Atlanta and Tyler, a 2010 graduate of Maryville College with a second degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Tennessee. Both sons were educated in the Robertson County school system and are East Robertson High School alumni.

In her spare time she enjoys reading fiction, gardening and cheering on the Vanderbilt Commodores. She and Jeff are advisory board members for the Emmanuel Children's Village in Jeremie, Haiti and take several mission trips annually. They are proud to call historic Oak Field Farm near Cross Plains their home for the last 22 years and are members of Mt. Carmel Baptist Church.