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**Joe Grisson** is an operations focused and innovative problem solver with operations and account management experience. He is also a visionary with the ability to serve as a catalyst for profitable and systematic workforce change. A highly effective project manager for large scale endeavors with strong emphasis on results tracking. With the ability to establish excellent working rapport and credibility to drive results with diverse groups and teams. Solution oriented with an eye for and ability to drive results. Joe fosters cooperative partnerships and relations between the non-profit and corporate sectors.

His primary focus continually involved within the community while collaborating with clergy, civil service organizations, municipalities (including local police and fire departments), school districts, local politicians, and community leaders throughout the region. He is/ has been instrumental in bringing in funds, programs, and events to low-to-moderate income families throughout the region. He believes in leading by example, therefore, he is fully engaged and attends many community programs and events.

After attending college at the Ohio State University, he worked for two fortune 500 companies in a variety of positions since 1993, and in 2005 his final position as a Marketing Consultant/Project Manager transitioned out of state. Since then, he has dabbled in real estate, and other joint ventures, while working in the community. Currently in the process of launching his biggest joint venture, Joe is also pursuing another Masters degree in strategic communications at Purdue University.

After his transitioning from corporate America in 2004, he began working in the Aurora community, however, he has been a servant of the community since his pre-teenage years. Joe is a native of Southfield, MI, whose parents instilled the sense of giving, community respect, community pride, and community empowerment into him as a child. He has sat on a number of community-focused boards within the Aurora and the Fox Valley area.

As a husband, father of two adult women, and soon-to-be grandfather of two grandsons he enjoys family time, running, reading, and attending sporting events. After commuting to Aurora over the past 1½ decades Joe and his wife now reside in Aurora.