

## **Vicki Wolber - Bio**

Vicki Wolber was appointed to the position of deputy county executive by County Executive Mark A. Hackel in November 2018. In this capacity, she served as the liaison for public safety and criminal justice-related programs as well as health and human service programs and initiatives. She has provided oversight for several county departments, including Animal Control, Community Corrections, Emergency Management and Communications, Health and Community Services, Community Action, the Health Department, the Juvenile Justice Center, MSUE and the Public Defender's Office. She also served as one of two Macomb County representatives on the SMART Board of Directors.

Mrs. Wolber began working with the county in 2000 when she was hired as the assistant director for Emergency Management and Communications. In 2007, she was promoted to director. She was entrusted with preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation activities as they pertain to large-scale emergencies or disasters that can affect the entire county. In addition, she also managed the coordination, oversight and maintenance of the county's 800 MHz Public Safety Radio Communications System, which provides voice communications for all the public safety agencies in the county.

In her career with the county, Mrs. Wolber led and organized several pivotal projects and successful initiatives within the county. Notably she:

- Was instrumental in launching Macomb County's Communications and Technology Center (COMTEC), a state-of-the-art facility that houses the Sheriff's Dispatch, the Department of Roads Traffic Operations Center, the Information Technology Department, and the Emergency Management office, in December of 2013.
- Created a Rescue Task Force for responding to active assailant incidents along with public safety agencies, the MISD and local school districts within the county.
- Oversaw the county's COVID response team to provide emergency assistance and continued planning and mitigation efforts to reduce the effects of COVID-19 on residents, businesses and county employees.
- Coordinates the Macomb County Anti-Trafficking (MCAT) Task Force to provide awareness, information and resources to the community.
- Helped launch the Safe & Healthy Macomb initiative to provide collaboration, support and resources to enhance the efforts within the mental health and opioid/substance abuse areas.
- Guided the approval and implementation of the county's Central Intake and Assessment Center (CIAC) at the Sheriff's Office to provide for a better facility and programming to meet the physical, mental and emotional needs of those entering and working within the jail.

Prior to her career with Macomb County, Mrs. Wolber was employed by the City of Fraser where she served in many capacities, starting in 1988 as a part-time secretary within the Department of Public Works, progressing to emergency management coordinator and then serving as deputy city clerk. She is a certified Professional Emergency Manager (PEM) in the State of Michigan and holds a Bachelor of Business Administration from Walsh College and an associate degree in general business from Macomb Community College. Twice she was recognized for her service to the Emergency Management profession by the Michigan Emergency Management Association, being awarded their Mitigation of the Year award in 2005 as well as their Local Coordinator of the Year award in 2007. She was also awarded the Professional Emergency Manager of the Year award by the Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division in October 2014.

Mrs. Wolber was an adjunct professor for Macomb Community College from 2012 – 2019, teaching an Introduction to Emergency Management course in their Public Service Institute.

Mrs. Wolber retired from Macomb County in October 2023 but continues to provide consulting services to the Macomb County Executive's Office as a contractor.

She is married with one daughter, is an active member of Warren Woods Baptist Church and serves on the Board of Directors for Turning Point. She is also a graduate of Leadership Macomb.