



2019 Alachua County Citizens Academy

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County Manager





Alachua County Mission

Alachua County's mission is to provide ***responsive*** service to citizens and ***responsible*** stewardship of county resources for current and future generations.

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Historical Facts

- Alachua County Founded: 1824
 - Borders stretched from the Georgia line to Port Charlotte
- Charter Adopted: 1987
 - Home Rule
 - Commission – Manager form of government

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Board of County Commissioners



Mike Byerly
District 1



Marihelen
Wheeler
District 2



Robert "Hutch"
Hutchinson
Vice Chair -
District 3



Ken Cornell
District 4



Charles "Chuck"
Chestnut, IV
Chair - District 5

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Demographics

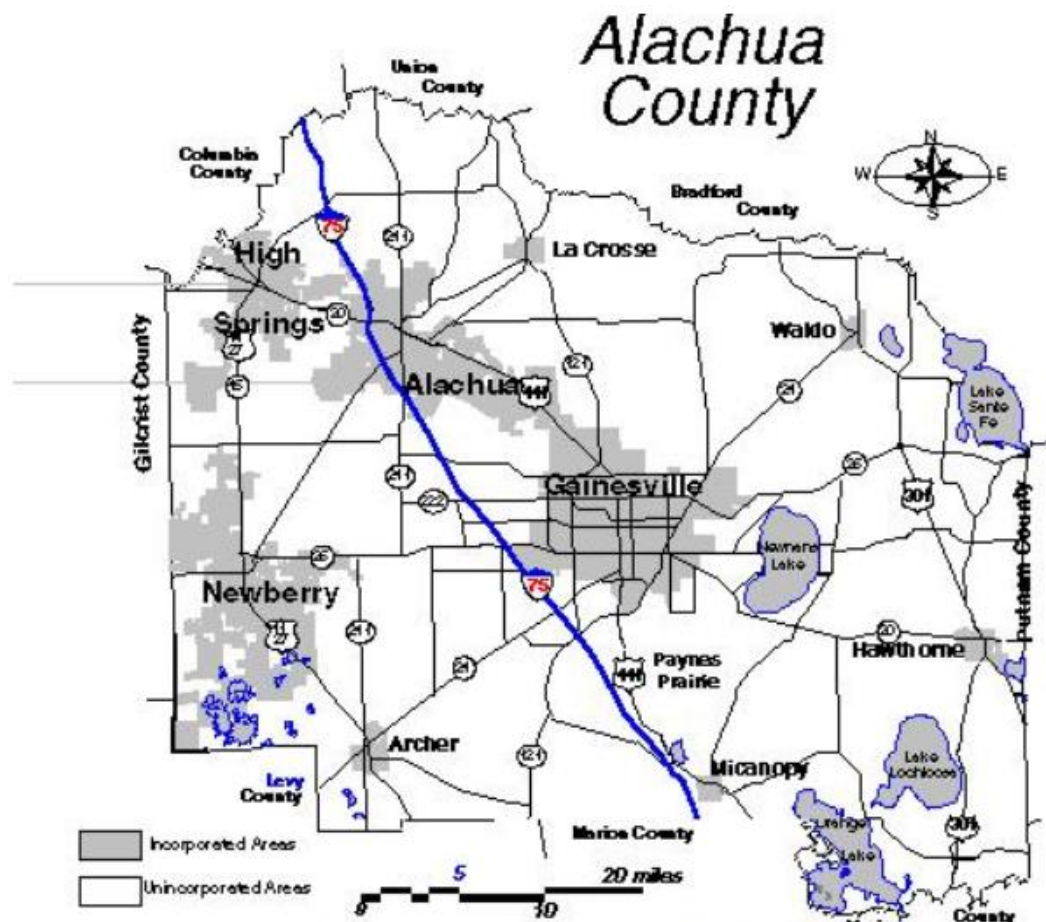
- Population
 - 1860 8,000
 - 1950 57,026
 - 2018 263,291 (estimated)
- Area
 - Land 875 square miles
 - Water 94 square miles
 - Total 969 square miles

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Cities and Towns

- Gainesville
- Alachua
- Archer
- Hawthorne
- High Springs
- LaCrosse
- Micanopy
- Newberry
- Waldo



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Alachua County Overview

- FY 2019 Total Budget = \$453,936,970
- 959 approved positions (under the BoCC)
- County Manager serves as the Chief Executive Officer and reports to all five (5) County Commissioners

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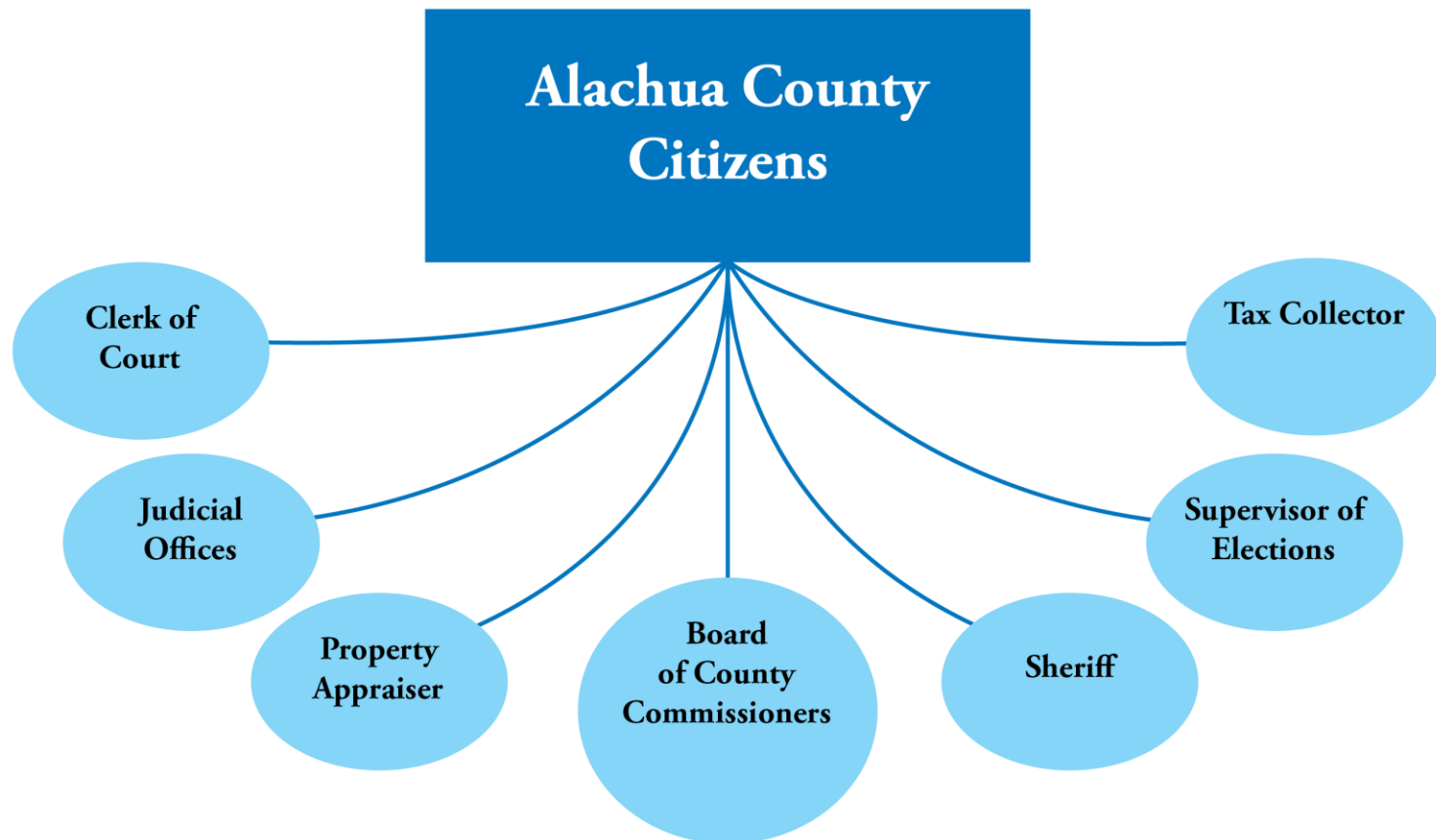
County Manager's Vision

- Collaboration
- Competence
- Consideration
- Creativity
- Culture

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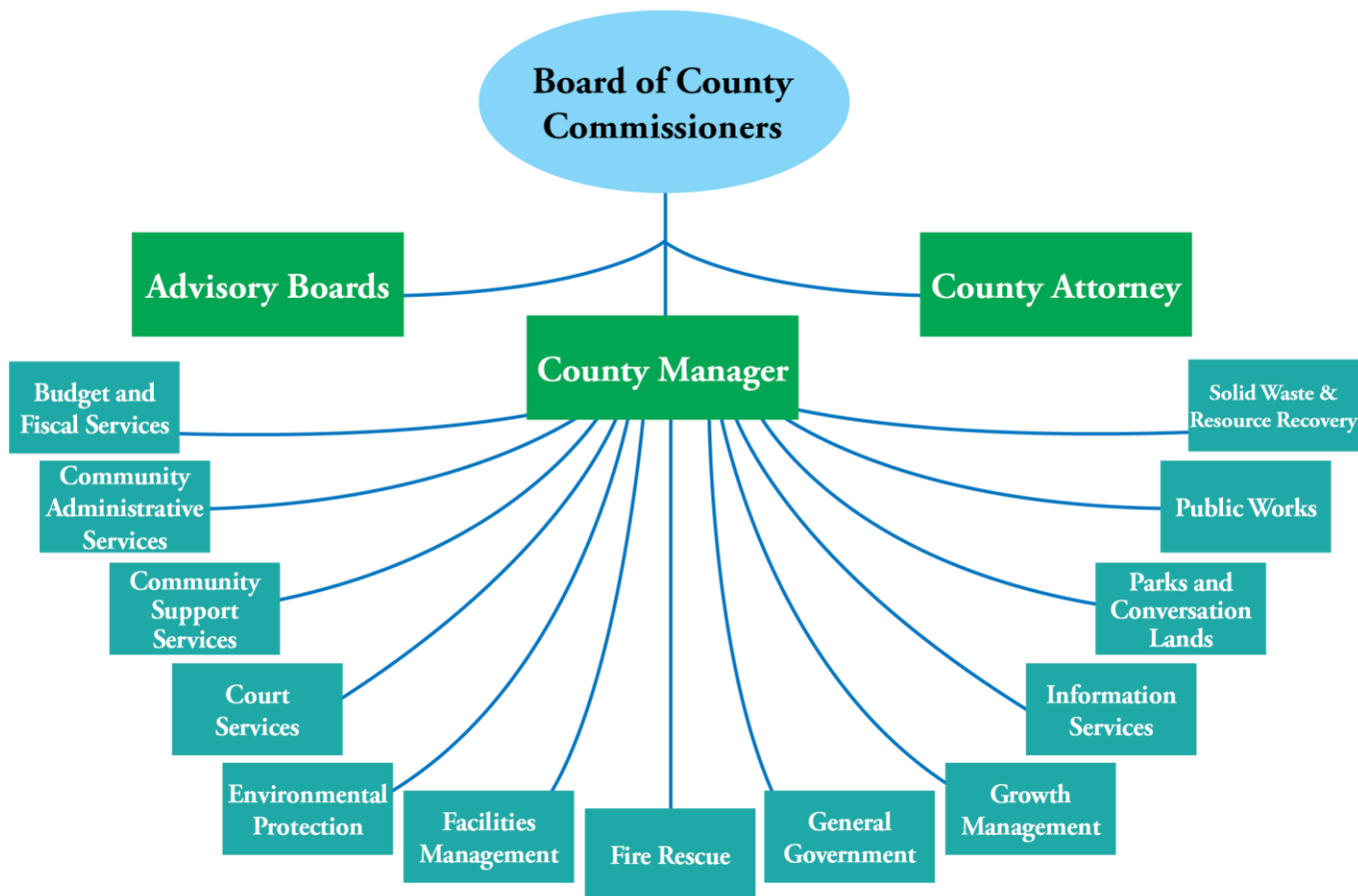
Organizational Structure



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James K. Harriott, Jr. PE

Deputy County Manager



- Environmental Protection
- Facilities Management
- Growth Management
- Public Works
- Solid Waste & Resource Recovery
- Sustainability

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Tommy Crosby, CPA

Assistant County Manager



- Countywide Fiscal Services
- Office of Management & Budget
- Purchasing
- Risk Management
- Performance

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Carl Smart

Assistant County Manager



- Community Support Services
- Court Services
- Fire Rescue

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Gina Peebles

Assistant County Manager



- Information & Telecom Services
- Parks and Conservation Lands
- Community & Admin Services
 - Accreditation
 - Animal Services
 - Economic Development
 - Equal Opportunity
 - Human Resources
 - Organizational Development & Training
- Visit Gainesville, Alachua County
- UF/IFAS Extension – Alachua County

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Current Issues and Citizen Academy Future Topics

- State Legislative Session & Home Rule Concerns
- Fairgrounds development
- Eco-industrial Park
- Flooding
- Public Safety Radio System upgrades
- Children's Trust/Children's Services Council
- Downtown office space needs
- Alachua County Charter Review Commission

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2020 Census

- Importance to Alachua County:
 - Federal funds and grants can be allocated based upon population
 - Roads, schools, hospitals, and other vital programs
 - Emergency preparedness & evacuation plans
 - Distribution of voting districts
 - Legislation based upon population centers

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Thank you!

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