



Mike Bishop Senior Vice President Pasco EDC

Mike graduated from the University of South Florida with a B.S. in Finance in 2006 and started his career in financial services as a financial advisor, obtaining his Series 7, 66, and 31 as well as his Series 220 for general insurance.

After his time in the financial industry, Mike founded Big Storm Brewing Co. in 2012, the first craft brewery in Pasco County. Big Storm grew exponentially over the years, garnishing several awards including Best Beer in Florida 2016, and employing over 50 people. Mike was instrumental in the leadership of the business, building experience in all facets of starting and growing a manufacturing facility, including obtaining his degree in Brewing Sciences from the esteemed Siebel Institute of Brewing.

After selling his business in 2019, Mike joined the staff at the Pasco Economic Development Council as the Director of Stakeholder Engagement where he was responsible for stakeholder relations, a community-facing role that strived to enhance the Pasco EDC and County's relationships amongst business leaders. He now serves as the Senior Vice President, a role in which he cultivates an internal culture of innovation, ensuring each team member is aligned, equipped, and continuously developed in line with the organization's vision and objectives.

Mike is a strong community advocate in Pasco County, and currently sits on the following boards: Pasco County Government Tourism Development Council, Pasco Education Foundation (Governance Chair), and the United Way of Pasco (Secretary). He is a graduate of Leadership Pasco Class of 2017, Pasco County Citizen's Academy, and is a member of the Rotary Club of New Port Richey. He currently resides in Land O Lakes, FL with his wife Erin and three children Angelo, Eric, and Alessandra.