



PATRICK HURN, MHRM, Patrick is an experienced human resource professional versed in higher education, governmental relations, and risk management. He has over 25 years in various leadership roles from local government to healthcare. Patrick has served as Assistant Human Resources Director and as Interim HR Director as well as Risk Manager and Safety Coordinator roles in his career. He has over fifteen years in safety and risk management coordination, working with joint- city and county emergency response planning and insurance relations for the City of Joplin. Patrick has several years of experience in functional areas of Employee Relations and Staff Development. He currently is the new Associate Director of Human Resources, at Missouri State University. Prior to moving to Springfield and onboarding with the university on February 01, 2022, he worked as the Assistant Human Resources Director and Interim Human Resources Director at City of Joplin, Missouri. Among his greatest career accomplishments, Patrick proudly counts the fact that he served his community during the May 22, 2011, F-5 tornado, as part of the City Emergency Command Team, which conducted the initial emergency response following one of the largest tornado disasters in US history. He has served in multiple roles in both local government and the healthcare industry, from 1992 to 2015 serving as Assistant HR Manager, then Manager for one of the largest retirement facilities in the Midwest, where he served as both HR Manager and Safety Coordinator. Patrick holds a Master of Human Resource Management Degree from Missouri Southern State University, as well as a Bachelor Degree in Business Management, also from MSSU. He also holds a certification as a CPR Trainer, and has trained both employees and community groups in basic life-saving techniques of CPR and field First Aid for several years. He and his spouse, lived in Joplin for twenty-five years, but have regularly commuted to Springfield for work events, as well as shopping and dining experiences and are familiar with the great things Springfield has to offer. Patrick has served with a variety of community organizations over his career including, Rotary, Joplin CVB, AARP career training program, MSSU Intern program, America Heart Association, ARMY Pays, United Way and Big Brother, Big Sister programs, just to name a few. He served his community in both fundraising and team leadership roles in each of these organizations and looks forward to doing the same here in Springfield. In his spare time Patrick likes to get away from the technology, to the great outdoors to camp, river raft, fish, hike and boat on local lakes.