

Robert O. Davis Jr.

Robert O. Davis Jr. believes in the power of education and community service. Along with his parents, the DeKalb County School System provided him the foundation that helped shape him into the man that he is today. He attended Allgood Elementary, Middle Grove Middle School, and graduated from Redan High School. He is also a proud graduate of Tennessee State University with a degree in Business Information Systems.

Professionally, Robert is a corporate real estate executive with more than 15 years of experience. Currently, he serves as the Director of Real Estate for the Southeast Region for Burlington Stores, Inc. where he is responsible for site selection and new store growth in Georgia, Alabama, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Northern Florida.

During his career, Robert has negotiated in excess of \$250M in real estate transactions with some of the top retailers in the world, including Walmart and Lowe's Home Improvement. He has served in roles with increasing levels of responsibility that have ranged from property appraisal, property management, property disposition and land acquisition to retail/industrial leasing. Prior to Robert's corporate real estate career, he was a Right of Way Agent for the Georgia Department of Transportation and served in a similar role as a contractor with Georgia Power.

After living in North Carolina and Arkansas, Robert returned to DeKalb County with his family in 2022 to be closer to his parents, Robert, and Bettye Davis, who are highly engaged, long-term DeKalb residents. It was from them that he learned the importance of connecting with, supporting, and serving the community.

Robert is a strong family man. He and his wife, Amy, have two children, Zuri and Robert III, who both attend DeKalb County Schools. He and Amy are very involved with the PTA and school fundraising efforts. They are members of Beulah Missionary Baptist Church, and he volunteers with their son's Gresham Park baseball team. Robert is also a member of the International Council of Shopping Centers and the Real Estate Associate Program.

Since most charitable funds are raised from individuals who believe in a cause, Robert's strong networking ability, savvy in building partnerships, and keen negotiating skills make him well prepared to serve the DeKalb County School Board Foundation,. He is passionate about the cause and eager to help make it a success.