

**David Hedberg**  
**Senior GIS Analyst**  
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David Hedberg joined the Wake County Planning Department in 1980, as the County's Statistician, after graduating with a Bachelor's Degree from Florida Atlantic University and a Masters' Degree in Geography from Appalachian State University.

As the Statistician, David's primary responsibility was developing demographic and economic estimates and projections for Wake County. At that time, the total population of Wake County, according to the 1980 US Census, was just over 300,000. David's technology skills positioned him to be one of the first 13 employees in Wake County to get a Personal Computer.

In 1987, David and 9 other County employees transferred to the new and expanded Geographic Information Services (GIS). In 1988, David was hired as GIS's first Analyst/Programmer where he supported the County's increased demand for sophisticated GIS data and functionality. His grasp of technology, his ability to understand and translate users' geospatial needs into functionality, and his heart for service were recognized in 2001 when he was named Wake County's Employee of the Year. Over the years, David has taken a lead role in developing GIS desktop applications such as the MAPS application used by over 150 County users and the current rMAPS (r-MAPS) application used by the Revenue Department to support Reappraisal.

In retirement, David looks forward to spending more time hiking, enjoying the family's mountain cabin, researching his family's genealogy, and participating in various ministries at his church.

Please join me in congratulating David on his retirement.