

Q1

Name of Alumnus

Susan Brown

Q2

Email Address (in case we have any follow up questions)

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Q3

Upload your headshot

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Q4

What school did you graduate from? (Please write out the full name)

Northern Arizona University

Q5

What type of program was it?

MPA

Q6

How many years have you had your MPP/MPA

15+ years

Q7

What sector are you working in?

Local/City and Municipal Government

Q8

Where are you currently working? What is your job title?

Company / Association / Bureau:

Coconino County

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Job Title:

Deputy County Manager (Retired)

Q9

What is your proudest accomplishment in your public service career?

I feel like my proudest lasting accomplishment is to have encouraged those I worked with, supervised and led to invest in their work not just as a job for a paycheck but also as public service—to embrace the nature of service, the unique position of it at the local level where we serve citizens who are friends, family and neighbors. To do that with full investment in the health and vitality of our communities. To do it fairly, equitably across the expanse of our jurisdiction with the understanding of the diverse values and needs of the many communities that make up our county.

Q10

What do you love about what you do as a public servant?

That it is serving communities of people, helping them to heal, grow, adjust and prosper.

Q11

What are you excited for about your future as a public servant?

I have just retired after 27 years at the county and about 32 years total in public service. But, I hope to help today's public servants and aspiring public servants to adapt, reinforce their commitment to public service, grow more nimble and continue to work and live the core values of public service including impartiality, equity, honesty and transparency. I am also devoted to working as many elections as possible in any way I'm needed.

Q12

How has your education been vital to your career and in your accomplishments?

It broadens your perspectives, but it also hones in on the core values of what makes our work unique and critically important.

Q13

What advice would you give to persons interested in a career in public service?

It's truly inspiring, complex, necessary and exciting. Do it with intention and commitment.