



**Bio: Matt Schnipke**

**Deputy Director, Warren County Economic Development**

**Secretary, Warren County Port Authority**

Matt Schnipke is the Deputy Director of Economic Development for Warren County. He also holds the position of Secretary for the Warren County Port Authority. As a representative of the third fastest growing county in the State of Ohio, Matt's primary responsibility is to attract and retain business investment within Warren County. Since joining the office in 2014, Matt has participated in the creation of over 6,800 new jobs, 6.6 million square feet of new construction and \$1.1 billion of new investment inside of Warren County. Matt also coordinates with local, state and federal agencies to conduct a Business Outreach Program implemented to foster continued success and future expansion of current companies located within the County. Matt works closely with workforce development organizations and educational providers such as the Workforce Investment Board, Sinclair Community College, and the Warren County Career Center. Matt currently serves as the Vice-Chair of the Warren County Small Business Development Alliance which connects small businesses to resources needed for growth. Each year, Matt assists the Warren County Chamber Alliance in hosting two educational events with combined attendance of nearly 500 people. Matt also assists the Warren County Chamber Alliance with two large-scale advocacy campaigns to Washington D.C. and Columbus; which have resulted in policy changes at the local, state and federal levels.

Prior to joining the Warren County Office of Economic Development, Matt completed his undergraduate education at Wright State University.