

**From:** Cfaes-all  
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**To:**  
**Subject:** [cfaes-all] Strategic Partnerships Director

Colleagues,

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Clinton Woods as the Director of Strategic Partnerships for the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences. This position was made possible by generous funding through the Nationwide-OSU Collaborative. His two-year term will begin on October 14, 2019.

In this role, Clint will lead efforts to fully engage community members, stakeholders, and other partners and coordinate these efforts. He will work extensively with researchers and external partners, facilitating connections between external partners and scholarship to action through a breadth of complex collaborations and partnerships. He will support and deepen the college's current partnerships, helping to extend and transform them into longer-term, ever more impactful engagements. In addition, he will generate opportunities to integrate needs from external partners and match them with researchers or developers to address discovery or programmatic solutions.

Clint has a unique combination of long-range planning, community outreach, environmental and agricultural policy, and grant and nonprofit management experience, including work to translate complex technical and scientific information into policy-relevant material for officials at all levels of government. This progressive experience has included direct interaction with key federal agencies, members of Ohio's congressional delegation, and senior officials at city, county, and state government in Ohio.

Clint comes to CFAES from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, DC, where he currently serves as Deputy Assistant Administrator for the Office of Air and Radiation. Previously, he was the Executive Director of AAPCA, a national association of state and local environmental agencies, including Ohio EPA and several city and county agencies in Ohio. He holds an M.A. in International Commerce and Policy from George Mason University, focusing on environmental, agricultural, and climate change policy, and earned his B.A. from the University of Maryland Washington.

Please join me in welcoming Clint to this crucial leadership position, which will play a catalytic role to create and steward innovative new consortia and partnerships for CFAES.

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