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Community First CU promotes Joe Harvey to Senior VP Facilities

Joe Harvey has been promoted to Senior Vice President Facilities at Community First Credit Union with over 20 years of construction, safety and facilities management experience.

Harvey joined Community First in January 2019 as VP of Maintenance and Building Operations. In his new role, he joins the Senior Leadership Team, overseeing the operations and maintenance for all of Community First's 26 branch locations.



"We are fortunate to have Joe's extensive experience in facility management, construction and team leadership to help serve Community First member-owners," said Community First President/CEO Cathie Tierney.

Prior to joining Community First, he was with the Kimberly Area School District as Director of Facilities and Safety Management for nine years, where he led a team of 41 employees who managed 1.45 million square feet of space, 195 acres of property and about 20 buildings that served a district with about 5,000 students and 500 staff members.

Harvey learned the construction business from the ground up, laying footings/foundations and building homes while in high school and college. A native of Gladstone, Mich., he earned a construction management degree from Northern Michigan University and came to the Fox Valley to work for Appleton-based Hoffman Corp. (now Hoffman Planning, Design & Construction). During his career, Harvey has managed multiple large construction projects across the Midwest incorporating energy efficiency, sustainability and green-building initiatives.

Energy conservation, daylighting and renewable energy along with utilizing green cleaning products have long been a passion for Harvey, who has been overseeing the remodeling/refresh of the Oneida branch. *"As we progress with branch remodeling and additions, sustainability and energy savings will be at the forefront of my thinking,"* he said. *"It's exciting to be able to put a twist on some of the techniques that I've learned along the way."*

“I’ve always taken great pride in my work and feel equally comfortable on the job site with staff or at my desk working on spreadsheets and project budgets,” said Harvey. “The facilities team has nine talented and hard-working staff members who take pride in serving our employees, members and community by providing an attractive, clean and safe environment.”

Harvey has also been an active volunteer with Rebuilding Together Fox Valley, Habitat for Humanity, YMCA of the Fox Cities and the Wisconsin School Safety Coordinators Board.

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