



Joe D. Wardy

Lunch & Lead Speaker Series

Joe Wardy was born in El Paso, Texas and attended Jesuit High School and The University of Texas at El Paso. He graduated in 1976 with a bachelor degree in management and finance. He has had a long and distinguished career in Transportation and Logistics that spans 30 years. He was president of Herman / Miles Trucking for 13 years and then served as Chief Operating Officer of the Miles Group, a logistics company engaged in transportation, distribution and customs brokerage along the U.S. / Mexico border.

In 2000 the Miles Group was acquired by United Parcel Service. Following a brief time as a management consultant, with a little urging, he decided to enter politics and was elected mayor of El Paso in 2003 where he served until 2005. He led the way for the referendum to move El Paso to a City Manager form of government, created the neighborhood association process and passed \$110 million dollar bond issue supported by the voters of El Paso. In 2006 he became the CEO and President of ReadyOne Industries, a large non-profit corporation with 4300 employees. He led the effort to save the company from closing and retaining the government contracts for disabled workers. 1200 jobs were saved and the company continues in operation today. In 2008, after doing consulting for a major defense contractor for a year, he decided to accept an opportunity to become vice president of Strategic Development for Stagecoach Cartage and Distribution, an El Paso based transportation and warehousing company.

In 2012 he was hired as the president and CEO of the Visiting Nurse Association of El Paso. The organization was the only non-profit provider of Medicaid and Medicare home health services in the El Paso community and has over 850 employees.

In January, he became the President and CEO of The Hub of Human Innovation, a business incubator, working to help develop entrepreneurship and innovation in the El Paso region.

For the past 40 years he has been active in numerous community and industry organizations at the local, state and national levels. He currently serves on the UTEP Development Board and the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority Board as vice chairman. Previously he served a six year term on the Sierra/ Providence Governing Board. He continues to participate supporting our youth as a high school football official.

Joe and his wife Delores have been married for 35 years and are parents of two sons and have two grandsons.

