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## About

Fundraising must be mission-driven and focused to be effective. It also requires tremendous collaboration. These are just some of the lessons that I've learned during my years as a nonprofit development specialist and fundraising professional for several charitable organizations.

As the face and voice of an organization, it has been my responsibility to drive home the nonprofit's mission to our supporters, as well as to those who would soon become supporters. I accomplish that by listening to the audience's needs and crafting messages that appeal to those needs.

I extend those messages beyond collateral materials and ad campaigns by living and breathing the values and ideals of the organization, and by representing it everywhere I go. My robust network affords me the opportunity to dazzle hundreds of influencers and potential donors with the latest and greatest information about the organization. This, in turn, leads to considerable support and funding from key decision makers in the community.

I attribute my networking success to my lighthearted, humorous, and authentic style. What you see is what you get with me, so everyone I interact with knows that my enthusiasm for a given organization is genuine. That gets them excited, and that excitement leads to support.

Specialties: nonprofit fundraising, development, advancement, networking



Jon Levy  
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Jon is a South Florida native who initially made the move from Broward County to Gainesville back in 2001.

Somewhere in the course of completing two degrees at UF, Gainesville became home. Jon is a former Rock 104 DJ, and a self-described "radio guy." Slightly more recently, he spent four years working in news radio in Washington, DC. That distance didn't stop Jon and his wife from doing a "destination wedding" in Gainesville, getting married at the base of Century Tower in 2014.

The next year the Levys returned to North Central Florida more permanently as Jon started his TV20 career. In his free time, Jon changes diapers and spends too much time thinking about the Chicago Bears.

## Education

- University of Florida



Eric Godet

President/CEO of the Greater Gainesville Chamber of Commerce.

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Prior to the appointment he chaired the Chamber's public policy committee as a member of the organization's Board of Directors. Godet served as Chairman of the Council for Economic Outreach in 2009 and Chairman of the Board of Directors in 2010 for the Chamber. Godet has also served as president/CEO of Godet Industries International, a vice president at Haven Hospice and a founding member of RTI Surgical.

"Greater Gainesville is undergoing a period of accelerated growth, and there is a lot of energy and vibrancy in many parts of our community," said Godet. "Growth is essential for survival, and if we're smart about this growth, we can ensure that it is sustainable and that everyone in our community can enjoy its benefits. I hear the calls for greater unity, and I believe the best way to achieve unity is to focus on the opportunities that we all can agree will benefit the community the most. There are already so many examples of close cooperation between city, county, Chamber, community organizations and our many institutions, and I intend to create more. I see a great future in store for the Gainesville region."



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### About

Mr. Acosta, our principal, has earned both a Master's degree in History from the University of Florida and a MEd in Educational Leadership from St. Leo University. With 19 years of classroom experience, he enjoys teaching AP European History