

Fred Flowers is an expert in the field of Information Technology (I.T.) and currently serves as I.T. manager for the City of Tuskegee. He provides critical services for officials and employees at the Tuskegee Municipal Complex as well as city-owned buildings that rely on him as a network engineer, system administrator and website/media specialist.

It is almost as though he was born to do this work. He says, "I was always playing around with gadgets. I like seeing how things work, how they operate. At first, I thought computer science was a good career path but when I went to Troy State I discovered this field of study was more about coding and programming so I switched to Information Technology. This was a much better fit for me because it was more hands-on involving software and hardware."

He earned a Bachelor's degree in Information Technology and a Master's degree in Business Administration. He was also honorably discharged from the U.S. Army Reserves after six years of service.

He previously worked as a traveling I.T. consultant for 25 years, spending 20 years working for different companies as an I.T. contractor in Illinois, Colorado, Michigan and Minnesota. He also worked for several years, as a business owner and developer.

Born and raised in Tuskegee, he returned to his hometown in 2008. He worked for the Tuskegee Housing Authority as an Assistant Property Manager before taking a position with the City of Tuskegee. He says he sees Tuskegee "as a place with tremendous growth opportunities concerning jobs, businesses and population trends."

He is a member of the Digital Summit Board of Alabama and Broadband Leadership Board for the City of Tuskegee. He says fiber broadband communications is essential to progress stating, "It will be an incentive for businesses to locate here because communications is a priority for companies." He holds several I.T. certifications and is continuing to pursue others.

He is an active member in the Mt. Olive Baptist Church Kingdom Men's group and a supporter of the Tuskegee-Macon County Community Development Corporation.

In 2017, he was elected Secretary of the Tuskegee Area Chamber of Commerce.