

Short Biography of Ken Carroll

Ken has over thirty years of combined experience in the fields of legislative research & policy development and business/economic/talent development. He has extensive experience in both the public/private sectors helping build and sustain collaborative relationships with business & industry, economic/workforce development, business associations and governmental/educational organizations and programs.

Ken is cofounder of the Kentucky Federation for Advanced Manufacturing's (KY FAME) employer collaborative. He served nearly thirteen years in the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development as Executive Director of the Bluegrass State Skills Corporation with the responsibility of facilitating solutions to meet the specific talent development needs of new, expanding and existing companies and securing financial resources to support the same. Ken served as Director of the Kentucky Prosperity Project, Vice President of the Kentucky Association of Manufacturers (KAM) and as President of the Foundation for Kentucky Industry (FKI) during his five years at KAM.

Ken has a B.A. degree from Western Kentucky University, with a double major in Speech and Government. He also successfully completed the University of Kentucky's Lean Systems Certification Series and Lean Leadership Certification courses. Ken currently serves as president & CEO of Advanced Manufacturing Professionals Inc. (AMP). The purpose of AMP is to facilitate the provision of highly effective talent solutions for companies and consortia in Kentucky's #1 industry sector to make a successful transition to becoming advanced manufacturing enterprises. AMP is keenly focused on enhancing the image of manufacturing and its career pathways, and better connecting talent pipelines to education/training services leading to lucrative career opportunities.

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