

Bob McPartland was born in Brooklyn, New York where faith, family and a commitment to service were instilled in him at an early age by his parents. At eighteen, Bob enlisted in the U.S. Army where he served as an Explosive Ordnance Disposal Technician, rising to the rank of Sergeant. After the Army he graduated from the State University of New York at Albany with a B.A. in Political Science and English.

He remained in the Army Reserves for several years and was activated for Operation Desert Storm. For the next decade, he worked in several different capacities which, along with his training in the Army, helped him develop a unique set of leadership and professional skills.

In 2001, Bob began a career with the Florida Department of Children and Families. He started as a Child Protective Investigator and quickly rose through the ranks becoming a Supervisor at the Child Advocacy Center in Brevard County. In July 2008 Bob was promoted to Program Administrator for all Child Protective Investigations for Circuit 19; encompassing Indian River, St. Lucie, Martin and Okeechobee Counties. In April 2013 Bob was promoted to DCF Community Development Administrator for Circuit 19.

In November 2011 Bob was elected to the Sebastian City Council and was re-elected in 2013, 2015 and 2017. He served as Mayor from 2012-2014 and 2015-2017. Bob serves on many boards throughout the Treasure Coast and Okeechobee. He has been selected as the Chair for the Indian River County Metropolitan Planning Organization for the last two years. In 2010 Bob was selected to serve on Sebastian's Charter Review Committee

Bob serves on the Indian River County Executive Roundtable, the Children's Services Advisory Committee, the Senior Resource Association's Senior Needs Assessment for Indian River County as well as the Okeechobee Executive Roundtable, the St. Lucie County Roundtable and the Martin County Needs Assessment. While on the Council, Bob has continued to advocate for domestic violence awareness as well as foster care, adoption, and the Guardian Ad Litem program.