

# Biography

**Raymond J. Tripp, CSM**

**Executive Director**

**Coliseum Central Business Improvement District**

Raymond Tripp is the Executive Director for the Coliseum Central Business Improvement District in Hampton, Virginia. Coliseum Central is one of the largest Business Improvement District in the country, consisting of 1900 acres of commercial properties with over 600 commercial businesses all located around the I-64 and Mercury Blvd. interchange.

From 2007 until 2014, Mr. Tripp was the General Manager of Peninsula Town Center a \$300 million dollar, 1.1 million square foot mixed use redevelopment of the former Coliseum Mall. Peninsula Town Center was the first urban designed shopping center in Hampton, which consists of office and residential spaces above ground floor retail stores, with common areas adorned with parks and fountains all beautifully landscaped for the customer's enjoyment.

From 1990 until 2007 Mr. Tripp was the General Manager of Coliseum Mall a 1.1 million square foot enclosed mall. During his tenure as General Manager he implemented the area's most comprehensive security program as well supervised a \$7.5 million mall renovation.

Mr. Tripp was a member of the original exploratory committee that worked with the City of Hampton to establish the Coliseum Central Business Improvement District. He also was the second President of the BID serving two years from 1997-1999 and again in 2010 – 2014.

Besides being a strong voice in support of the Business Improvement District Mr. Tripp is an active leader in the Peninsula community, serving on the following boards and committees:

- Member of Langley Civic Leaders Association. (2013- Present)
- Member of Hampton Education Foundation (2013-Present)
- Board of Directors Coliseum Central BID. (1996 – 2014)
- President of Coliseum Central BID. (2010-2014)
- Board of Directors Summit Christian Academy (2011-2013)
- Member of Hampton Hospitality Association (2004)
- Board of Directors Peninsula Alliance for Economic Development (2001-2014)
- President of Coliseum Central BID. (1997- 1999)
- Honorary Commander 1<sup>st</sup> Fighter Wing. (1999-2002)
- Hampton Crossroads Convention Center Committee. (1998)
- Member of Hampton Youth Coalition. (1996)
- Chairman – Storm Water Utility Fee Advisory Committee. (1995)
- Chairman VPCC Public Relations Committee. (1991)

He is a native of Greenville, North Carolina, where he earned his Bachelor's Degree from East Carolina University and has completed post-graduate classes at the University of Georgia and the University of Michigan. Raymond is married to Beth Tripp and they have a two children Noah and Anna.