



James P. Cordier

Director of Health and Social Services Town of East Hartford

Jim Cordier was appointed as Director of Health and Social Services in 2007. He is responsible for all financial, programmatic, and managerial aspects of an urban human services department comprised of five divisions encompassing environmental health, health administration, community nursing services, social services, and a regional federally-funded Women, Infants and Children nutrition program (WIC). He is also responsible for the administration of the Diabetes Prevention, Mosquito Abatement and Public Health Preparedness Programs.

Prior to working for the Town of East Hartford, Mr. Cordier served as one of Connecticut's Regional Directors for the USDA Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) for 28 years. As a volunteer, he also served as Acting Director of Health for the Town of Hebron for 12 years. In 1991, Jim was instrumental in the establishment of the East Hartford Farmer's Market.

Currently, Mr. Cordier serves as a member of the Connecticut Commission on Children, serving 4 years as Chairman and 3 years as Vice Chairman. He is a Justice of the Peace in the Town of Hebron, former Chairman of the Hebron Conservation Commission and a founding member of the Hebron Open Space and Land Acquisition Committee.

Jim holds an MPH Degree from the UConn School of Medicine as well as a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science. He is also a graduate of the John F. Kennedy Special Warfare School and the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College. He is a Registered Sanitarian with state certifications in subsurface sewage disposal and food service establishment inspection. Jim also served in the United States Army, serving as a Special Operations Force Civil Affairs Officer; he retired at the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.