

# R. TYRONE FOSTER

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## EXPERIENCE

**JUNE 1976 TO JANUARY 2000**

**ASSEMBLER, UTILITY OPERATOR, SHIFT LEADER (DISTRIBUTION), ELECTROLUX CORPORATION**

Hired to work for a world class provider in floor care products as an assembly line worker then promoted to Utility Operator which dealt with minor supervision and performance of small maintenance on day to day operations. As a Shift Leader I supervised a small group of employees to ensure consumer needs were distributed to locations around the world

**JANUARY 2000 TO DECEMBER 2021**

**POLICE OFFICER/DETECTIVE, BRISTOL VIRGINIA POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Currently investigating all crimes committed in Virginia of a felony nature; Serves as the Department's Senior Gang Investigator, Crisis/Hostage Negotiator, Veritas Adult Drug Treatment Court Liaison and deputized as a member of the U.S. Marshal Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force

**JANUARY 2022 TO CURRENT**

**SHERIFF, BRISTOL VIRGINIA SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

## EDUCATION

**MAY 2000**

**GRADUATE, SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING ACADEMY**

Selected and served as the President of the 73<sup>rd</sup> Basic Law Enforcement Class

**JUNE 1976**

**ATTENDED, BRISTOL COMMERCIAL COLLEGE**

Member of the Men's Varsity Basketball Team

**September 1972 TO JUNE 1976**

**GRADUATE, BRISTOL VIRGINIA HIGH SCHOOL**

## SKILLS

- Elected to Bristol Virginia School Board in 2008 as a Write In Candidate in 2008
- Re-elected in 2012 and 2016 Unopposed
- Served as Chair and Vice Chair
- Re-elected in 2020 (Currently Serving)
- Served as VSBA Region Chair (2 Years)
- Served as VSBA Member At Large (2 Years)
- Elected as VSBA President-Elect
- Served as VSBA President

- Former Police Instructor (Southwest Criminal Justice Training Academy)
- Serves as a Member of the Virginia Highlands Community College Criminal Justice Curriculum Advisory Committee
- Appointed by Governor Glenn Youngkin to serve on Charitable Gaming Commission Board
- Currently holds the title as a Past President of Virginia School Boards Association
- Board Member of Bristol Virginia Public Schools Education Foundation
- Selected as one of the 2024 Strong Men and Strong Women in Virginia History Honoree by the Library of Virginia and Dominion Energy

## **ACTIVITIES**

- Foster-Parent for 18 years
- Volunteered as a coach in youth football and basketball and little league baseball and softball
- Officiated Virginia High School basketball for 18 years and worked several State Championships;
- Selected as Boys and Girls Club Volunteer of the year
- Served as PTA/PTO President at Stonewall Jackson Elementary School; Served as PTA/PTO Vice President at Virginia Middle School
- Past Board Member of BVU Authority Community Broadband Integration Group
- Past Board Member of the Southwest Virginia/ East Tennessee Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- Serves as a Member of the Bristol 2040 Vision Steering Committee
- Currently a Board Member of the Bristol Professional Baseball Organization
- Current Board Member of Bristol Virginia Public Schools Education Foundation
- Selected to serve as a Member on the National School Boards Association 2018/2019 Policies and Resolutions Committee
- Member of the Governor's Student Safety Work Group Panel
- Member of the Department of Criminal Justice School-Law Enforcement Partnership Advisory Committee Panel
- Past member of the African American Superintendent's Advisory Council
- Member of Fellowship Chapel Church, Bristol Virginia and serves as a van driver and member of the Church Security Team
- Married to Becky Hicks Foster with five (5) children and four (4) grandchildren