

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT – Martin County Environmental Lands Oversight Committee – **Please Print**

Type of Member

- Martin County Forever
- The Everglades Foundation
- Rivers Coalition
- Audubon of Martin County
- Martin County Taxpayers Association
- Martin County Realtors Association
- Economic Council of Martin County
- Martin County Farm Bureau Inc.
- 4-H Youth Development Program

Check One: Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss Dr.

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By Donna Gordon at 7:39 am, Feb 19, 2025

Name: David Hafner

Residence Address: 6704 SW Busch St. Palm City, FL 34990
Street - City - Zip Code

Mailing Address: Same
(if different) Street - City - Zip Code

Commission District in which you reside: 5th Staff will complete.

Are you available year-round to attend meetings? yes no If no, what months **are** you available?

Are you a Martin County registered voter? yes no

Telephone numbers: daytime: 285-3945 alternate: 419-6965 alternate: _____
Area Codes are considered 772 unless you note otherwise.

EMAIL: dhafner@ufl.edu

Have you ever pled guilty or "no contest" to a crime, been convicted of a crime, had adjudication withheld, prosecution deferred, been placed on probation, received a suspended sentence, or forfeited bail in connection with any offense (except minor traffic violations)? Please show all convictions, including driving while intoxicated (DUI) convictions. yes no If yes, please provide the following information:

TYPE OF OFFENCES: _____

DATES: _____

PLACES (city/state): _____

SENTENCES OR FINES: _____

*A conviction record does not necessarily disqualify you for consideration. Factors such as age at time of offense, nature of violation, and rehabilitation will be considered.
The Martin County Board of County Commissioners retains the right to remove, at will, any appointee to a Board or Committee with or without cause.*

EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE: A resume is recommended to be attached containing this and any other information that would be helpful to the Board in evaluating your application.

Resume or letter of qualifications attached? yes no

Education: B.A. Business Administration, Warner University

Employment Experience: See resume

Other experience you feel would be helpful to the Board in making this appointment? _____

Community Experience and Affiliations: _____

Other County Boards/Committees/Task Forces on which you have served: _____

Martin County MPO Citizens Advisory Committee

Do you or any member of your immediate family work for Martin County or hold a position that might conflict with your duties for this Board/Committee/Task Force? If yes, please explain: No

REFERENCES: Please list two references:

Jennifer Pelham 288-5654

Anita Neal 561-993-1280

- Appointee *may* be required by State Law and County Ordinance to file a Financial Disclosure Statement as part of the appointment process.
- Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing and that the facts stated in it are true. (Pursuant to Section 92.525 Florida Statutes, falsifying this application is a Third-Degree Felony punishable by up to five years imprisonment and up to a \$5,000 fine.)
- Florida law prohibits an advisory board member from doing business with its agency (The County). Section 112.313(3) and (7), Fla. Stat.

Signature: 

Date: 2/17/25

Applications must be filed with Martin County Administration, 2401 SE Monterey Road, Stuart, Florida 34996. All information submitted becomes public record. If you have any questions, please call (772) 221-1352 or send email to dgordon@martin.fl.us.

DAVID HAFNER

AGRICULTURAL COMMUNICATOR & EDUCATOR

SUMMARY

Proven agricultural advocate, communicator and educator with strong community relationships and deep understanding of local youth leadership programs and community needs. Agricultural leader accomplished in coordinating, organizing and executing hands-on, interactive learning opportunities across diverse groups and community organizations on the local, state, and national level. Excellent reputation for shared leadership, visioning, collaborating, planning, and passion for agricultural awareness and advocacy.

EDUCATION-

Warner University

Bachelor of Arts, Business Administration
April 2021 - December 2022

Warner University

Associate in Science, Agricultural Studies
August 2019 - April 2021

RELEVANT ASSOCIATIONS

Martin County Farm Bureau Board of Directors
2015-2022 | President, 2019-2022

Martin County Fair Association
2017-2022

Martin County 4-H Advisory Committee 2018-2022

Martin Grade Rustlers 4-H Club Leader 2017-2022

AWARDS

House of Hope
2022 Hope Award

Florida 4-H Youth Development Program
2021 Volunteer of the Year

Martin County 4-H Association
2020 Volunteer of the Year

Florida Farm Bureau Federation
2018 Volunteer Communicator of the Year

CONTACT

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LinkedIn: [linkedin.com/in/farmeradvocate/](https://www.linkedin.com/in/farmeradvocate/)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Partners in Advocacy Leadership, American Farm Bureau
New York, NY, Louisville, KY, Washington, D.C.
APR 2019–FEB 2022**

Develop and deliver a balanced messaging through the media to communicate important information

Source and develop new strategic partnerships with stakeholders to collaborate opportunities that generate new opportunities

Collaborate with internal departments to execute programming that fits the scope of all departments

**Foster Parent, Children's Home Society
Martin County, FL
APR 2006–MAR 2011**

Work with children who come from devastating backgrounds of unimaginable scope

Create and implement plans to give children normalcy and a safe place to live and work through their experiences

Be a role model so children understand how a healthy child/adult relationship should be

**4-H Youth Development Program Agent
Martin County, FL JAN 2023-Present**

**Office Coordinator, RMS Arc Solutions, Inc.
Martin County, FL JULY 2019–2022**

**Office Coordinator, Ranch Feed & Pet Supply, Inc.
Martin County, FL JUNE 2010-JULY 2019**

**Barn Manager, Wandering Trails Riding Academy
Palm Beach Gardens, FL APR 2008-JUNE 2010**

**Office Coordinator, Martin Memorial Health Systems Martin
County, FL NOV 2005–APR 2008**

- Office Coordinator, RMS Arc Solutions

As office coordinator it is my responsibility to ensure the electricians have the necessary supplies for the task at hand. Often times this means anticipating a need before it arises so the job can be completed on task. In my role as office coordinator I also manage hiring and payroll as well as handling all accounts receivable and accounts payable. Basically, my position is responsible for the overall success of the company's daily goals.

- Office Coordinator, Ranch Feed & Pet Supply

My responsibilities as office coordinator were wide ranging from running payroll to handling accounts receivable and accounts payable. I also handled the purchasing of animal feeds, products, and supplies. In the ordering of feeds, I needed to be very accurate as to not order too much and have the feed go bad, but not order too little so that there was enough of each type of feed to meet customers' needs. Customer service was also a very important part of this job as a majority of the day was spent helping customers with their purchases. I also took it upon myself to begin offering educational workshops after hours to help my customers have a better understanding of topics such as poultry care, equine dietary needs, and pest control. Often, I would invite other organizations to join in so that my customers would receive a broad spectrum of information on a certain topic. For example, when talking about pests I invited Martin County Mosquito Control to talk about the programs they offer and to give tips on how to keep from breeding mosquitoes at our homes.

- Barn Manager, Wandering Trails

Wandering Trails was an 800-acre horse ranch that offered trail rides, lessons, boarding, and youth camps. As barn manager my responsibilities were wide sweeping, from caring for the horses directly to teaching youth horsemanship skills to taking customers on hour long rides in the woods to giving instruction for more advanced riding techniques, I did it all. Whenever school was out- especially during the summer- we would hold camps with around 30 children at a time. I would act as a camp counsellor doing games and activities, overseeing safety in the pool, and engaging in team and morale building activities.

- Office Coordinator, Martin Memorial Health Systems

At Martin Memorial I was the "postmaster general" for the health system. Incoming and outgoing mail came through my office to be sorted. My staff of two included a retired fireman and a young man with special needs who was eager for a job. This was my first time working with someone who had special skills and I really enjoyed learning how capable he was when I took the time to understand his way of thinking.