

THOMAS H. DAVIS, JR.

President

The Community Foundation of South Alabama

A University of Alabama graduate, Tom completed a commissioned tour of duty in the United States Air Force before returning to Mobile in 1971. He worked as Chief Administrative Officer of First Southern Federal Savings & Loan Association (now Regions Bank) where he worked for twelve years. He became the first full time employee at The Mobile Community Foundation (now The Community Foundation of South Alabama) initially as the Development Director in 1984 under the leadership of the founder, William Kaufman, and as Executive Director in 1985 and President in 2008.

Community Foundation assets have grown from \$3 Million to over \$58 Million during the past twenty-three years under the volunteer leadership of the Board of Directors and Tom's role as President. Tom competed and successfully won recognition as one of six community foundations in the country for The Kresge Foundation's "Partnership to Build Community Capital". Foundation assets increased by \$10.5 Million during three phases over six years. Charitable funds have also increased in number from 60 to over 375 along with significantly increased grant making – CFSA has granted over \$45 Million since its beginning. Currently The Ford Foundation has provided a two-year capacity building grant to develop a community economic development (CED) initiative along with a CED Grant-Making Portfolio.

Tom is a member of the Rotary Club of Mobile, a member of YMCA Metro Board, Presbyterian Retirement Corporation (Westminster Village) and United Way of Southwest Alabama. Tom was also a past member of AFP and served as President of the Chapter.

He is married to Anne Weaver, the father of three sons and resides on the Eastern Shore.