

David Toland is the Secretary of the Kansas Department of Commerce.

Since being appointed by Governor Laura Kelly in January, Secretary Toland has overseen sweeping changes within the state's leading economic development agency.

Toland has aggressively worked to rebuild the Business and Community Development division of the Department of Commerce, filling positions that have remained vacant for several years and re-establishing the state's presence in key domestic and international markets. He also led negotiations on behalf of Governor Kelly that resulted in the end of the so-called "Border War" that has gone on between Kansas and Missouri for nearly a decade.

Prior to joining the team at Commerce, Secretary Toland was the first CEO of Thrive Allen County, a nonprofit coalition that works to improve quality of life and economic conditions in Allen County, Kansas. A seventh-generation Allen Countian, Toland oversaw the organization in its efforts toward improving healthcare access, healthy lifestyles and economic development in the small, rural Kansas county.