

Robert Daddow, Deputy County Executive
Oakland County, Michigan

Robert Daddow obtained a bachelor's and masters in business administration from Central Michigan University in accounting and business administration. He joined Ernst & Young, in December 1974 and rose to partner in his 17 years with the firm. His client base was largely governmental and non-profit clients where he provided auditing and consulting services to governmental units in southeast Michigan.

In January 1993, he joined Oakland County and was appointed by County Executive Patterson as the Director of the Department of Management and Budget. From 1996 to 1998, he was appointed as Director of Information Technology, concurrent with DMB director, where a number of collaborative, regional technology projects were launched. He rose to Deputy County Executive in 2000. He has managed numerous technology and other projects that restructured County operations, in areas such as public safety, community mental health, regional collaborative programs with local governmental units, and various technology initiatives. He has actively participated in all County long-range budgeting practices for over 20 years, leading the County to a AAA bond rating for the past dozen years. His most recent project was participating in the regionalization of the water and sewer operation in Southeast Michigan.

He served as Co-Chair of the Legislative Commission on Statutory Mandates concluding with a report issued in December 2009. He is Vice-Chairman of the Michigan Municipal Services Authority, and Chairman of the SMART board. He also participated in the writing of the e-commerce legislation enabling local units of government to publish, for a fee, data on the web as well as Public Act 4 of 2011 (emergency manager act for fiscally-distressed governmental units).