

35 Years Service Recognition

Susan M. Coughanour – Senior Planner

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Susan began her career on June 2, 1975 as a Planner II in the Land Planning Division. Susan's planning expertise has definitely contributed to the success of many programs and projects at the District. Susan is known and respected throughout the state for her planning knowledge and expertise as well as her ability to successfully work through complex water resource issues. Susan has forged strong, long lasting working relationships both within the District and with other agencies and stakeholders. Her colleagues describe her as knowledgeable, deliberate, consistent, committed, focused, and thorough; a planner's planner.

Susan helped to establish the Palm Beach Planning Congress in 1975 and has served in many leadership positions with this, and other planning organizations, over the years. She is currently serving as the President of the Congress (a position she has held many times).

There are other significant efforts for which Susan should be recognized. Some folks said it would never happen but Susan was instrumental in establishing the District's on-site day care center. Early on in her career Susan was a pioneer and outspoken advocate that the District should be a "family friendly" workplace.

Most importantly, Susan has been able to balance her career with family responsibilities and outside interests. In so many ways, Susan exemplifies our agency values and we thank her for her many years of dedicated service.