



IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Lower Providence Township Announces Hiring of New Manager

LOWER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP (*March 15, 2012*) – Lower Providence Township officials have ended their search for a new manager, announcing the hiring of Richard G. Gestrich. Mr. Gestrich comes to Lower Providence from Oviedo, Fla., where he served as manager for the city of 34,000 from 2008 to 2011.

Mr. Gestrich has over 25 years' experience as a municipal manager and has ties to the region, serving as manager for two Bucks County townships. From 1982 to 2005, he was manager for Upper Makefield Township and was the Middletown Township manager from 2006 to 2008. He also served as town manager for Jupiter Island, Fla. from 2005 to 2006.

He holds a master's degree in public administration from Shippensburg University and earned a law degree from the University of Pittsburgh. He completed undergraduate studies in political science/pre-law at Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Gestrich has extensive experience and successes in the areas of economic development, budget and finance, human resources/labor relations, and intergovernmental planning.

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