

**Bob Getz, President, Village of Baroda is recognized as  
Outstanding Community Administrator**

As viewed by 78<sup>th</sup> House District, State Representative, Sharon Tyler, “Over the last several years there has been a dramatic rebirth in the Village of Baroda. It has reinvented itself into a new market of agriculture-tourism and manufacturing. Bob has continually displayed the work ethic and innovation necessary to lead his community in generating new growth. His skills as a community administrator are an example to other officials across the state”.

Robert Getz’s community work is an outstanding representation of how strategic leadership that encourages the importance of planning can provide for successful implementation with use of appropriate community development tools and techniques.

Based on his tremendous contributions to the Village of Baroda, his ability to empower Village officials and residents for change, and his leadership to reinvent his neighboring communities, Robert Getz is a deserving recipient of the 2012 Leadership Award for Outstanding Community Administrator.





Here, Bob is pictured with Chuck Eckenstahler, one of the key players in the “Reinvention of Baroda”. Chuck was the Berrien County Planning Director, The Southwestern Michigan Regional Planning Commission Executive Director; and worked on over 500 municipal planning assignments including: land use plans; zoning ordinances; impact fee, marketing, and feasibility studies.

Chuck was recognized as a MAP Life Member at the conference. Thank you Chuck for all you do for our area!