



Charlie Vensel

The Spartanburg Downtown Association is a community-based organization that plans, markets, and advocates for Downtown Spartanburg.

The association's goal is to be a guiding force for positive growth and improvement of the downtown area by providing leadership, and marketing as the dynamic center of commerce in the Greater Spartanburg community.

SDA performs services directly related to downtown development, such as promotion and advertising, business retention and recruitment, and planning and problem solving among downtown residents, businesses, property owners, employees, and community leaders.

Charlie Vensel is a native of Jacksonville, FL. Charlie worked in restaurant franchising, multi-unit supervision, concept up-starts, and turn-around management. He owned several franchises and other businesses in Jacksonville and consulted for a number of years before pursuing ordained ministry.

Charlie attended Reformed Theological Seminary in Orlando, FL while in his late 30s. Combining his entrepreneurial background with his convictions, he now focuses on establishing new churches. He has served churches in Florida and Colorado. He moved to Spartanburg in 2009, where he is now the Senior Pastor at another new church, All Saints Church, Spartanburg.

Charlie has a strong interest in community involvement and is keenly interested in supporting the revitalization of the downtown strip. In any way possible, he wants to contribute to making Spartanburg a better place to live, work, and play.

He and his wife, Frances, have been married for almost twenty years and have two children, Sam and Ellie. They recently purchased a home in The Oaks subdivision and are thrilled to call Spartanburg "home."

