

## Farm Service Agency



## Gary Groves State Executive Director, Pennsylvania

Gary Groves was appointed by the Trump Administration to serve as the state executive director of the Pennsylvania USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) in November 2017.

Groves was born in Kansas City, Missouri, and raised in Indiana. He attended the Purdue University College of Agriculture, where he earned a bachelor's degree in animal science.

After graduating from Purdue, Groves worked as a district manager for the Ralston-Purina company in the Purina Chow division. He went on to work in an AO Smith Harvestore dealership in Ohio, and later Pennsylvania. He then did sales and management leadership training for Sales Acceleration in Indiana. Since then, he formed his own consulting firm focusing on leadership training and recruiting. During the George W. Bush administration, Groves was appointed state director for Pennsylvania USDA Rural Development.

Groves has served on the Governor's Rural Advisory Committee for Pennsylvania and is a past director of the Pennsylvania Draft Horse Association. He currently serves on the board of directors for the Children's Service Center, an organization for troubled children in Northeast Pennsylvania.

Groves currently resides on a farm in Tunkhannock, Pennsylvania, were he breeds Belgian draft horses and raises lambs and cattle for 4-H projects for his grandchildren.