

Jeff Vahle
President, Walt Disney World
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Jeff Vahle serves as president of Walt Disney World Resort. A 33-year veteran of Disney Parks, Experiences and Products, Jeff oversees a workforce of over 75,000 Cast Members at four theme parks, more than 25 resort hotels, two water parks, a sports complex, a shopping/dining/entertainment district, behind-the-scenes facilities support and more.

As president, Jeff is working to ensure that Walt Disney World maintains its longtime status as the world's premier family vacation destination. A Central Floridian who grew up in neighboring Winter Haven, he understands how, for more than 50 years, the resort has created opportunity for both the region and the state of Florida.

Under his leadership, recent site additions have included Guardians of the Galaxy: Cosmic Rewind, TRON: Lightcycle / Run and the ongoing transformation of EPCOT. Plus, in a move designed to directly benefit the community, Walt Disney World recently announced plans to break ground next year on roughly 1,400 units of attainable housing, with the first units scheduled for completion in 2026.

In addition to his duties at Walt Disney World, Jeff oversees Worldwide Safety and Health, Engineering and Sourcing for Disney theme parks worldwide. These teams are responsible for engineering, maintenance, construction, utilities, manufacturing, sourcing and procurement, safety and health, and asset management programs.

Having started his Disney career in 1990, Jeff has held a variety of leadership roles instrumental to the development of Disney parks and resorts worldwide. These include Disney California Adventure, Hong Kong Disneyland, Shanghai Disneyland, and Disney Signature Experiences.

Jeff is actively involved in the community and currently serves on the board of directors at Give Kids the World and other Central Florida organizations.

Jeff earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Auburn University and a master's degree in business administration from Rollins College.