Danny Burgess

Daniel Wright "Danny" Burgess Jr. was appointed Executive Director of the Florida Department of Veterans’ Affairs by Gov. Ron DeSantis and the Florida Cabinet on Jan. 24, 2019. The Department, on behalf of the Governor and Cabinet, is the premier point of entry for Florida veterans to access earned services, benefits and support.

Burgess, an Army Reserve Captain, is a life-long resident of east Pasco County. Born and raised in Zephyrhills, he attended Zephyrhills High School and the University of South Florida. At the age of 18, he was elected the youngest city council member in the history of Zephyrhills and the youngest elected official in the State. He served two terms on the City Council before going to Barry Law School to get his law degree.

He served as Mayor of Zephyrhills from 2013-2014 before being elected to the Florida House of Representatives in 2014. From 2016-2018, he served as Chair of the House Insurance and Banking Subcommittee.

He resides in Zephyrhills with his wife Courtney and their three children, Adeline, Daniel III and Eleanor.

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