

Ryan Houck Bio

Ryan Houck is the Executive Director for *Floridians for Smarter Growth*.

Floridians for Smarter Growth is an umbrella organization founded by Florida's business and community leaders to fight the so-called "Hometown Democracy" amendment. In his role as Executive Director, Ryan serves as the spokesman for the campaign. In preparation for the General Election showdown in 2010, Ryan also leads efforts to construct a political apparatus, manage media relations, and coordinate the vast coalition of organizations that oppose Hometown Democracy.

Prior to joining FSG, Ryan served as the Public Affairs Director for Central Florida's Regional Transportation Authority where he worked extensively with local governments and business leaders to improve transportation alternatives.

Ryan has also held important roles in the Senate office and successful campaign of U.S. Senator Mel Martinez.

Ryan is a political science graduate of Rollins College in Winter Park. He is also the President-Elect of the Central Florida Rotary Alliance, a member of the James Madison Institute's Central Florida Board of Advisors, and a Board member for the Orange County 4-H Foundation.