

# MEET OKLAHOMA.

His name is Joe Purtle. Husband, married 27 years. Father, four kids. Coach, soccer and softball. Likes to play golf, lift weights and restore classic cars – currently doing a “frame up” restoration of a ’67 GTO. Was Employee No. 5 at a California start-up that moved to Oklahoma and evolved into a 140+ person firm. Began as a welder. Now 35 years later, he is their Director of Engineering responsible for product research and development as well as coordinating the activities for a staff of eleven.

Joe is just one part of Oklahoma’s most treasured resource: our people. Those men and women that make our state great. Individuals that exemplify our native strengths of tenacity, integrity, and ingenuity.

Like other economic development organizations in Oklahoma, we are tasked with recruiting new industries to our state. It’s a complex and difficult job trying to convince a business to locate their operations here. But, it becomes a whole lot easier when they meet someone like Joe.

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