

## Honorable Chris V. Rey Town of Spring Lake, North Carolina

In 2011 Chris Rey was elected the youngest Mayor of Spring Lake, North Carolina.

He attended Spring Lake public schools; and graduated from Pine Forest High School as a track and field All-American. He then earned a full athletic scholarship to East Carolina University.

In 2000, Mayor Rey enlisted into the United States Army as a computer information technology analyst. Two years later, he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Signal Corps through the United States Army Officer Candidate School. Thereafter, he was deployed to Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom followed by a deployment to Afghanistan during Operation Enduring Freedom. Chris returned home to Fort Bragg to command the Third Special Forces (Airborne) Signal Detachment. His service and leadership in the armed forces earned him numerous military awards and accolades including the Bronze Star.

Mayor Rey currently serves as Executive Director of Cumberland HealthNET, a non-profit organization that helps to navigate healthcare for the uninsured population of Cumberland County. He also serves as a senior principal of The Rey Group, a strategic planning consulting firm. Mayor Rey is an adjunct professor in the criminal justice department at Mount Olive University, where he teaches class on constitutional law, criminal law, juvenile justice, and criminal courts. Mayor Rey continues his service to the nation as a Major in the National Guard.

Mayor Rey holds a B.S. in Business Administration from Walden University, and a Juris Doctor Degree from William & Mary School of Law. He is currently pursuing a Master's Degree in Public Administration from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He is married and has three children.