## Erik Christian HRFit Principal Consultant and Owner

Principal consultant and owner of HRFit, Erik Christian has lived in Peoria his entire life. Prior to starting his own business, Christian worked as Assistant Director of Human Resources for Peoria County, and as the first Director of Human Resources for the Dunlap School District. His time in these roles exposed him to Peoria's unique need for HR consultants.

HRFit was founded by Erik Christian in 2015, and prides itself as a business's strategic human resources partner.

HRFit focuses on "not just building a strong HR foundation, but one that is aligned with the mission of the employer," said Christian.

Christian credited some of his success to Peoria's size and community.

"I think Peoria is the biggest small town in America. You are able to be very connected," said Christian. He noted the power of a referral when, "you are asking an employer to trust you with some of their most sensitive information."

Christian works closely with the Heart of Illinois United Way and Community Foundation of Central IL where he witnesses the power of the community firsthand.

"One of the things I love about my hometown is it's full of people that are dedicated to making our city great. People are so generous with their time and money. That's what makes it a community," said Christian.

Erik Christian lives in Peoria with his wife Amanda and their four daughters. They are active members of their church, St. Jude, and enjoy the many parks, trails and ice cream shops offered by Peoria.