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Vanderburgh County Welcomes Polyram



Polyram, a global Israeli-based plastics engineering company will open its first U.S. production facility in the Vanderburgh Industrial Park. The 100,000 square-foot shell building will be renovated for the company's operations and is scheduled to open the first part of 2018 with an investment of \$11 million along with 50 new jobs by 2022.

Since December of 2016, the Coalition has been part of a team led by the Growth Alliance for Greater Evansville that included Vanderburgh County Commissioners, the City of Evansville, the Indiana Economic Development Corporation, Vectren and Woodward Realty, providing the necessary assistance for Polyram to select Southwest Indiana.

[Read full press release](#)

Regional Medical Center opens in Poseyville



Another Regional Cities project opens its doors: the Regional Medical Center in Poseyville will provide quality medical care in Posey, Gibson and Vanderburgh Counties. Full-time professional medical care had not been available to area residents since 1987; and, the Center will be staffed by Drs. Chester R. and Julie Burkett.

The 3,596 sq.-ft. facility was the recipient of \$139,000 in Regional Cities funding from the Southwest Indiana Regional Development Authority with the bulk of its funding being raised by the Poseyville Medical Foundation, Inc. for a total cost of \$700,000.

Formed in 2015, the Poseyville Medical Foundation, Inc. was created for the purpose of constructing a new medical facility to service the surrounding rural communities.



Contact us today!

Have a project? Act now.

Believe it or not, 2018 is right around the corner. And in 2018, the Indiana Office of Community & Rural Affairs (OCRA) is returning to its **single application round format**. This means there will be just one opportunity to pursue grant funding for projects that impact drinking water, waste water, storm water, blight clearance, main streets, and public facilities (such as community centers and fire departments).

As a community leader, the time for you to act is now. The project development process for these CDBG grant applications can take as few as two to 18 months or more before a grant application can be submitted.

Don't let your community miss out on this valuable funding opportunity. Contact [Carol](#) or [Karen](#) at 812-423-2020 to start the discussion to find out if your project qualifies and to start working on the project development process.

Place-Based Funding Resource Introduced by IHCD

Have you been faced with the desire to build pride of place within your community by investing in the quality of place projects; but, struggling with determining how to pay for it?

The Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCD) has introduced its "CreatINg Places" program as a potential funding resource. This program is a place-based, crowd-granting program that allows project supporters to make contributions to a project. That project could then receive a matching grant from IHCD of up to \$50,000 to take care of the gap-financing. The quality of place project that might qualify include: streetscape enhancements; park investments; biking / walking paths; etc.

Check out [IHCD's CreatINg Places web site](#) to see if your community project dream might become a reality with a little help from IHCD.

Public Feature - Posey County

"Posey County has an equal voice of collaboration and has benefited greatly by the relationship it has forged with the Economic Development Coalition of Southwest Indiana. Since 2006, Posey County has received over \$13 million in grants for capacity building, impacting areas such as the transformed riverfront in Mt. Vernon; and, has most recently been the recipient of \$829,000 in blight elimination funding."

James Alsop
Posey County Commissioner, President



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