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Indiana's Great Southwest promoted in Chicago

Later this month, the Coalition will be part of a [Consultant Connect](#) summit to be held in Chicago. The conference will consist of industry networking as well as one-on-one meetings with 14 site selectors promoting Indiana's Great Southwest brand.

Consultant Connect provides exclusive, educational networking opportunities for professional economic developers and access to top site selection professionals in a more intimate meeting environment.



Coalition adds Platinum Hermes Award to list of marketing accolades

The Coalition wins its first marketing platinum award from [Hermes Creative Awards](#), an international competition for creative professionals involved in the concept, writing and design of traditional materials and programs, and emerging technologies.

The marketing piece was created for the 2016 Site Selectors Guild Annual Conference held in Nashville; and, was designed by Gray Loon Marketing Group.

Indiana Entrepreneurship Week
June 19-25, 2016

Celebrating all things entrepreneurial with free events and hosted by the Indiana Small Business Development Center.

Click here for [schedule of events](#).

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Road Funding Grant Program

Local units of government have a new opportunity to secure funds to help to stretch their current transportation dollars. The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) recently announced its Community Crossings Matching Grant Fund Program

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To learn more details or to find out if your community's transportation project might be eligible and to discover what resources are available to help complete an asset plan or an application, contact [Carol Hagedorn](#) or [Karen Conia](#) at 812-423-2020.

Need help developing your community's budget?

The 2017 IACT City and Town Budget Bulletin is designed to assist city and town officials with the responsibility of developing and adopting a budget. The first section of this publication is a narrative that discusses some

for counties and municipalities.

The program funds projects that are identified in an INDOT-approved asset management plan which can include paving projects as well as bridges and ADA sidewalk projects that intersect with road projects.

The projects funded are to be of regional economic significance, meaning they are to serve regional transportation needs.

For the local unit of government to qualify for the program, the 50 percent matching funds must come from the Local Option Income Tax (LOIT), the Rainy Day Fund or the New Wheel/Surtax. There also needs to be a preliminary estimate of project costs included with the application.

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generalities of the Indiana municipal budget process, including how to determine expenses and revenues, and how to balance the budget. The text organizes the budget process into the logical steps that a municipality would take to reach the final adoption of a budget. Supplements follow to help with specific components of a municipal budget.

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