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Atlanta Welcomes Economix Conference and Indiana's Great Southwest



Earlier this month, the newest professional offering to the world of economic development, **ECONOMIX**, took the stage at the High Museum of Art in the heart of midtown Atlanta. **ECONOMIX**, a conference hosted by Consultant Connect for economic developers designed by economic developers, provided energized environments through industry hot topics discussions, personal development and most importantly, full access one-on-one meetings with 26 internationally recognized site selectors.



Derrick Stewart, CEO
YMCA of Southwestern IN

Regional Cities Update YMCA of Southwestern Indiana

Creating a gathering space focused on healthy living and lifestyles is YMCA's mission; and, a mission key to reaching millennial talent. The YMCA project will receive \$5 million of Regional Cities funding for the redevelopment of the downtown facility, which will lead to the repurposing of the historic portion of the YMCA for future affordable housing.

Hear from the YMCA's CEO, Derrick Stewart about dreaming big and how that fits into the Regional Cities plan for Indiana's Great Southwest.

[View YMCA Video](#)

Timeline for Grant Submissions in 2017

The Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA) has issued notification regarding 2017 Round 1 Applications for water, waste water, storm water, public facilities, blight clearance and main street redevelopment projects. **Letters of Intent for these projects are due February 10th and Applications are due April 7.** There will be a second round of funding opportunities in 2017 with anticipated Letters of Intent due July 7.

To be ready to submit a project to OCRA for grant funding, the following is to be complete: funding (identified and ready to spend); engineering (preliminary engineering report complete with a current project budget); environmental review (outreach completed and associated concerns addressed); permitting (identified and able to secure within a few months of grant award); and site control (all easements and property transfers secured via option utilizing the URA process).

To find out when your local project might be ready for submission, contact [Carol](#) or [Karen](#) with the Community Development Division at 812-423-2020.

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