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Southwest Indiana News



Generating primary medical research and creating a new urban living environment will drive Southwest Indiana's Regional Cities proposal. Presented last week to members of the Indiana Economic Development Corporation along

with four representatives of the Regional Cities strategic review team, Southwest Indiana's plan, entitled Indiana's Great Southwest, will help create demand drivers and quality of place projects that attract talent as well as build a national brand. Two Indiana regions will be selected to receive up to \$42 million to implement its plan.

Cornerstone projects of the Southwest Indiana plan are embedding primary research within the new Indiana University School of Medicine Multi-Institutional Academic Health Science Education and Research Center; and, building the Working Lab for New Urban Living, a partnership that includes Vectren and Haier. The Indiana University School of Medicine Multi-Institutional Academic Health Science Education and Research Center is a unique partnership with the University of Southern Indiana and the University of Evansville along with Deaconess Health Systems, St. Mary's Health System, Memorial Hospital (Jasper) and Good Samaritan Hospital (Vincennes). Within the next two years, it is anticipated that Ivy Tech will join the other universities with a significant campus presence as well.

Other plan projects include a university student-driven mixed use development in downtown Oakland City; conversion of a former school in New Harmony into an educational center for arts and local farm-to-table entrepreneurial efforts; and, a pilot broadband demonstration project.

Seven regions throughout Indiana submitted proposals to gain the honor of being named a regional city and claiming \$42 million for its projects: Central, East Central, North Central, Northeast, Northwest, West Central and Southwest Indiana. Final presentation to the Strategic Review Committee for Southwest Indiana will take place on October 7 in Indianapolis with results announced before the end of the year.



Warrick County

Success Warrick County is the economic development division of the Warrick County government and a partner with the Coalition providing business attraction and retention services for local businesses and managing two industrial parks: North Warrick and Warrick County Industrial Parks.

The organization also manages Warrick Wellness Trail medical district and the Warrick County Redevelopment Commission activities which include providing infrastructure improvements that support economic development.

Economic Indicators
Manufacturing - number of jobs within MSA

WITHIN INDIANA
Indy-Carmel- 88,935
Evansville, IN-KY- 22,498
Ft. Wayne - 34,398
S. Bend-Mishawaka- 16,869

PEER COMMUNITIES
Chattanooga, TN - 30,685
Davenport-Moline IA-26,465
Peoria, IL - 26,834
Spartanburg, SC- 27,356

Source: Bureau of Labor

Community Development News



Brownfields Training to Result in Regional Benefits

To refine their knowledge about the latest developments in Brownfields identification, remediation and redevelopment, the Community Development team recently attended the National Brownfields conference in Chicago. The conference allowed team members to further refine ideas and techniques for the implementation of the EPA's \$508,000 Assessment Grant awarded to the Coalition so as to benefit Brownfield activities in Gibson, Posey, Vanderburgh and Warrick counties.

In the next few months, staff will be requesting assistance to identify potential Brownfield properties. The resulting list of properties should include buildings and sites that have, for whatever reason, remained under-utilized due to the perception that the building/site might be contaminated. The program will focus on petroleum as well as hazardous substances; meaning old, dilapidated buildings, former cleaners operations, as well as former service stations should end up on the list. Those buildings/sites will then be evaluated to determine their potential for clean-up activities.

Should you have any suggestions for the developing list of buildings/sites, please contact a member of the [Community Development team](#) to share your information.

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There is something for everyone at the 2015 Indiana Logistics Summit as top executives from Google, GE Aviation, Indianapolis Colts, Fair Oaks Farms, NCAA, Harvard

Business School, IndyCar and others will be featured speakers at the 13th annual event on Tuesday, Sept. 22.

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