

What's News

Welcome Dawn!

You may have heard a new voice in the GEDC Office. Dawn Divis is our new Administrative Assistant. Dawn lives in Channahon with her husband and has three children.

New Investor

A warm welcome to Morris Building and Loan, a branch of First Secure Community Bank. Thanks for joining the GEDC.

Community Open House

Dresden Station will be hosting a community open house on Wednesday September 5 from 4 - 7 p.m. Exelon representatives will talk about how a nuclear plant operates, plant security, and local emergency preparedness.

Prospects

A Department of Commerce prospect is looking for 50 acres with rail access for a biorefinery. Sites have been submitted.

A Department of Commerce prospect is looking for 30 acres for a feedstock processing facility to go with the biorefinery prospect. Sites have been submitted.

Calendar

September 3

Labor Day - GEDC office closed

September 12

Bus Tour

September 14

Executive Meeting

September 20

Full Board Meeting

October 4

Fall Event

Save the Date!

GEDC Bus Tour - Wednesday, September 12



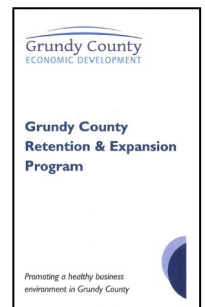
Join the GEDC for a tour of the Costco facilities in Morris. We will tour the brand new, state of the art meat processing facility, which is an impressive example of advanced manufacturing.

Then we will travel over to Costco's logistic facilities and see how the products reach millions of customers. A behind the scenes look at supply chain management from start to finish. You won't want to miss it! Invitations will be going out soon.

We Look Forward to Visiting You 2018 Retention Program

Your voice is important! Over the next two months, the GEDC will conduct our biannual visits with local business and industry. The goal of the program is the continuous improvement of Grundy County's business climate to encourage investment and job creation. Your input is crucial. ComEd will again serve as our strategic partner and sponsor of the business retention program. Our office will begin reaching out to local businesses in the next couple weeks to schedule appointments.

We sincerely appreciate your participation in these confidential visits. Over the years, we have visited nearly 170 businesses. The important feedback provided through the visits directly impacts the priorities and initiatives of the GEDC, while giving community leaders better insight into the business climate of the county. We look forward to hearing from our business leaders.



It's a Wrap...Thank you Businesses and Interns

Parents, businesses, and interns all joined to celebrate the conclusion of another successful summer internship program. The recognition dinner honored the interns and thanked the



participating businesses. Senator Sue Rezin provided certificates of recognition from the Illinois Senate to all the parties. Lance Copes, Director of the Grundy Area Vocational Center, addressed the crowd regarding the great opportunities given to the students over the summer. A special thank you

to Elam Yost, GEDC intern, who did a fantastic job this summer. If your company would like to participate next year contact the GEDC.

