

White County Economic Development

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Thank you for your interest in White County, Indiana. White County is home to nearly 25,000 residents and more than 600 businesses. The county has a strong and vibrant economy fueled by a number of regional assets including a strong manufacturing base; prime location relative to Chicago, Indianapolis, Lafayette and Purdue University; all leading to a highly talented, educated, and skilled workforce.

Additional highlights of White County below:

About the Mid-America Commerce Park:

- Globally connected on the I-65 corridor less than 2 minutes away from on/off ramps
- Located half way between Chicago, Illinois and Indianapolis, Indiana
- In excess of 580 acres available for future development
- Utilities and service infrastructure are in place; Certified as "Shovel Ready Gold"
- Perfectly suited to facilitate the growth of manufacturing start-ups
- Proximate to numerous quality manufacturing firms, including Subaru, Alcoa, Caterpillar, GE Aviation and Wabash National
- Lake Michigan's Burns and Buffington Harbor's less than one hour away
- Active TP&W inland Rail Park that provides access to all major RRs

Workforce and Income Statistics:

We're at the center of a workforce of well over 297,000 hard-working individuals who share the longstanding work ethic that's rooted in our agricultural heritage and Indiana's longtime manufacturing leadership. We keep that workforce strong through educational programs, starting with our four county school districts and their employer-focused programs for in- demand skills. The Indian Trails Career Cooperative serves over 5,000 high school students with programs in advanced manufacturing, culinary arts, agriculture, automotive, engineering, logistics, welding, and other high-demand fields. In addition, Purdue University and the Purdue Research Park are just 30 miles (48 km) down the road, giving companies access to innovative research developments.

Leader in Renewable Energy:

White County has the leading edge on renewable energy in the state. Renewable energy sources found in White County:

- 2 Hydroelectric dams operated by Northern Indiana Public Service Company (NIPSCO)
- 1 Landfill with an EnviroWatts Generating Plant that is supported in partnership with CWREMC, Wabash Valley Power Alliance, and Waste Management
- 2 Anaerobic digestors putting electricity on the NISPCO distribution line
- 555 Turbines with an installed capacity of 1,205 megawatts.
- 4 Solar farms covering over 6,400 acres are being planned for White County

Regionalism:

White County Economic Development is a member of the Greater Lafayette Alliance, a nine-county organization comprised of local economic development leaders that collaborate toward leading the way in advancing manufacturing, value-added agriculture, bio-medical breakthroughs, and renewable energy

"Why White County":

Our local government is highly collaborative, business friendly, and quick to react. White County understands and anticipates the need for fiscal incentives to assure competitiveness within the industrial manufacturer attraction marketplace



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I look forward to discussing how White County can work to get your Company in operation; not only quickly- but profitably, for decades to come.

Best regards,

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