



*Welcome Back Home.*

## 2012: THE YEAR OF THE ENTREPRENEUR

PULASKI COUNTY has weathered the prolonged recession better than a lot of counties, and not by chance alone. Strong commodity markets have kept our agriculture sector healthy, our manufacturing is fairly diversified, and nearly every major — and minor — employer in this county is homegrown. *Pulaski County is an entrepreneurial county.*

A KEY REALITY in economic development is that almost all new jobs are the result of start-ups and the expansion of existing businesses. Luring Mega-Big-National Company, Inc., makes for headlines, and creates jobs and improves the local economy, but it's not a frequent occurrence. New businesses and new production lines, however, are. Especially in this great county.

WITH ALL OF THIS in mind, and seeking further to implement the 2010 strategic plan, *Pulaski County: Mapping a Path Forward*, which emphasizes entrepreneurial development, Pulaski County Economic Development (PCED) is proud to host a number of events this spring celebrating 2012: THE YEAR OF THE ENTREPRENEUR.

- Monday, 21 May, 5:30 p.m., Pulaski Co. Public Library – Winamac:  
PCED Pulaski County Revolving Loan Fund presentation
- Thursday, 31 May, 10:00 a.m., Francesville - Salem Township Fire Station:  
Small Business Administration workshop
- Monday, 4 June, 5:00 p.m., Pulaski Co. Public Library – Winamac:  
Indiana Small Business Development Center presentation
- Monday, 18 June, 6:00 p.m., Francesville - Salem Township Fire Station:  
Purdue Center for Regional Development presentation on the Indiana Home Town Competitiveness Program and Economic Gardening
- Thursday, 28 June, 6:30 p.m., Medaryville Lions Club:

### **The 2012 Pulaski County Economic Development Summit**

*(r.s.v.p.)*

#### ***DID YOU KNOW ...***

**that the Revolving Loan Fund has more than \$130,000 available to help to finance start-ups, expansions, and relocation projects?**

*Contact us to learn more!*

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO ...**

The Braun Corporation for 40 years of improving mobility worldwide!

Bonnell Grain Handling for 35 years of serving our local farmers!

Link Environmental Equipment for 25 years of serving the waste-management industry!

Alliance Bank, a top-15th-percentile community bank, *nationwide*, in 2011!

## PULASKI COUNTY, HOME TO ...

- the 21-miles-long-and-growing Panhandle Pathway multi-modal trail.
- Tippecanoe River State Park (and the lovely Tippecanoe River).
- Jasper-Pulaski and Winamac Fish and Wildlife Areas.

**PULASKI COUNTY:  
WELCOME BACK HOME.**

### *How we're keeping busy at Pulaski County Economic Development:*

- \*Working with Ivy Tech Community College – Kokomo/Logansport to establish a satellite site in Winamac.
- \*Implementing recommendations from *Pulaski County: Mapping a Path Forward*.
- \*Supporting community-development initiatives.
- \*Sponsoring entrepreneurial-development programming.
- \*Marketing Pulaski County to tourists.

## THE PULASKI ONLINE JOB BANK

*IF YOU'RE AN EMPLOYER IN PULASKI COUNTY  
LOOKING FOR QUALIFIED LOCAL WORKERS,  
THEN CONTACT PCED TO ADD A JOB LISTING,  
FREE OF CHARGE, TO THE ONLINE JOB BANK.  
([HTTP://WWW.PULASKIONLINE.ORG/CONTENT/  
VIEW/178/609](http://www.pulaskionline.org/content/view/178/609))*

*If you or someone whom you know is looking for work, be sure to check out the Pulaski Online Job Bank! And don't miss the 2012 Hoosier Job Fair, hosted by Senator Dan Coats in Lafayette:*

Wednesday, 30 May 2012, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. EDT, at the Tippecanoe County Fairgrounds, West Pavilion, 1401 Teal Road, Lafayette.

For more information:

<http://www.coats.senate.gov/jobfair>

## WINAMAC INDUSTRIAL PARK: 40 ACRES, SHOVEL READY, READY FOR YOU



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[HTTP://WWW.PULASKIONLINE.ORG/](http://www.pulaskionline.org/)

### *Our Mission*

Pulaski County Economic Development holds to a mission to promote and improve the quality of economic development throughout Pulaski County in pursuit of excellence through the following endeavors:

- \*Supporting the expansion and continued investment of Pulaski County businesses.
- \*Recruiting new business and industry into Pulaski County.
- \*Promoting tourism and the increase of transient spending in Pulaski County.
- \*Developing and supporting business services such as workforce development, infrastructure, planning, financial programs, technology initiatives and entrepreneurial programs.
- \*Conducting charitable and educational activities.

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### *Pulaski County Community Development Commission/ Economic Development 2012-2013 Leadership*

President: Rod Button, Town of Winamac  
Vice-President: Cheryl Stone, Rick's Service  
Secretary: Andrew Fritz, Fritz Farms  
First Past President: David Broad, Alliance EMS  
Membership Officer: Jamie Bales, Alliance Bank

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