## **City of Denton**



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## **Meeting Agenda**

## **Economic Development Partnership Board**

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

11:00 AM

**Development Service Center** 

After determining that a quorum is present, the Economic Development Partnership Board of the City of Denton, Texas, will convene in a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. in the Development Service Center Training Rooms 3, 4, and 5 at 401 N. Elm Street, Denton, Texas at which the following items will be considered:

#### 1. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

**A.** EDP24-059 Consider approval of the meeting minutes for June 12, 2024.

Attachments: Exhibit 1 - June 12, 2024 EDPB Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

#### 2. WORK SESSION

**A.** EDP24-055 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding an update on the Airport Master Plan.

Attachments: Exhibit 1 - Agenda Information Sheet

**Exhibit 2 - Presentation** 

**B.** EDP24-060 Receive a report, hold a discussion regarding Rayzor Ranch Build-Out & Public Improvement District.

Attachments: Exhibit 1 - Agenda Information Sheet

Exhibit 2 - Rayzor Ranch Public Improvement District Presentation

C. <u>EDP24-063</u> Receive a report and hold a discussion regarding Denton Municipal Electric.

Attachments: Exhibit 1 - Agenda Information Sheet

Exhibit 2 - Denton Municipal Electric Presentation

**D.** EDP24-061 Receive a report and hold a discussion regarding the Design Downtown Denton Master

Plan.

<u>Attachments:</u> Exhibit 1 - Agenda Information Sheet

Exhibit 2 - Presentation

E. <u>EDP24-062</u> Staff Reports:

- 1. Director's Report Brittany Sotelo
- 2. Downtown Economic Development Committee Update Jeremy Fykes
- 3. EDPB Partnership Update Jamie Adams
- 4. Sustainability Update Michael Gange and Katherine Barnett
- 5. Homeless Response Update Dani Shaw
- 6. Future Agenda Items Christine Taylor

Attachments: Exhibit 1 - Agenda Information Sheet

Exhibit 2 - Economic Development Director's Report August 2024

Exhibit 3 - Site Database Cover Page

Exhibit 4 - 2024 Community Survey

Exhibit 5 - Public Facility Corporations

Exhibit 6 - DCI-SSG State of Site Selection

Exhibit 7 - Site Selection Group 2024

Exhibit 8 - EDPB Partnership Update Report

Exhibit 9 - DRAFT Green Business Program Flyer

Exhibit 10 - Homelessness Presentation

Exhibit 11 - Queue of Future Agenda Itemss

#### 3. CONCLUDING ITEMS

A. Under Section 551.042 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, respond to inquiries from the Economic Development Partnership Board or the public with specific factual information or recitation of policy, or accept a proposal to place the matter on the agenda for an upcoming meeting AND Under Section 551.0415 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, provide reports about items of community interest regarding which no action will be taken, to include: expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolence; information regarding holiday schedules; an honorary or salutary recognition of a public official, public employee, or other citizen; a reminder about an upcoming event organized or sponsored by the governing body; information regarding a social, ceremonial, or community event organized or sponsored by an entity other than the governing body that was attended or is scheduled to be attended by a member of the governing body or an official or employee of the municipality; or an announcement involving an imminent threat to the public health and safety of people in the municipality that has arisen after the posting of the agenda.

NOTE: The Economic Development Partnership Board reserves the right to adjourn into a Closed Meeting on any item on its open meeting agenda consistent with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, or as otherwise allowed by law.

#### **CERTIFICATE**

I certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the official website (https://tx-denton.civicplus.com/242/Public-Meetings-Agendas) and bulletin board at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas, on August 9, 2024, in advance of the 72-hour posting deadline, as applicable, and in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

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## **AGENDA CAPTION**

Consider approval of the meeting minutes for June 12, 2024.

# MINUTES CITY OF DENTON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD June 12, 2024

After determining that a quorum was present, the Economic Development Partnership Board convened in a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, June 12, 2024, at 11:08 a.m. in Training Rooms 3, 4, and 5 at the City of Denton Development Services Center, 401 N Elm St, Denton, Texas, 76201 at which the following items were considered:

**PRESENT:** Tony Clark (Acting Chair), Erin Carter (ex-officio), Brian Danhof, Jeremy Fykes, Kerry Goree, Paul Meltzer, Lee Ramsey, Jason Tomlinson, Jamie Wilson (ex-officio), and Clyde Rick Woolfolk

**ABSENT:** Steven Edgar, Sara Hensley (ex-officio), Gerard Hudspeth, Jimmy Mejia, and Aaron Roberts

**STAFF**: Scott Bray, Megan Chittenden, Jacob Crocker, Christina Davis, Vanessa Esparza, Kristen Pulido, Cameron Robertson, Charlie Rosendahl, Brittany Sotelo, Erica Sullivan, Christine Taylor, and Matilda Weeden

#### 1. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

#### A. EDP24-050 Consider approval of the minutes for May 8, 2024.

Woolfolk made a motion to approve the minutes of May 8, 2024. Fykes seconded the motion. Motion carried (8-0).

AYES (8): Clark, Danhof, Fykes, Goree, Meltzer, Ramsey, Tomlinson, Woolfolk NAYS (0): None

B. <u>EDP24-047</u> Consider recommending approval of an economic development agreement for a 50% property tax rebate under Chapter 380 of the Local Government Code to promote economic development, stimulate business activity and economic growth of the City of Denton between the City of Denton and Southwire Company, LLC regarding the expansion of operations, for an amount not to exceed \$1,955,100; authorizing the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date.

Wilson joined at 11:10 a.m.

Fykes made a motion to recommend approval of an economic development Chapter 380 agreement for a 50% a property tax rebate not to exceed \$1,955,100, between the City of Denton and Southwire Company, LLC. Meltzer seconded the motion. Motion carried (8-0).

AYES (8): Clark, Danhof, Fykes, Goree, Meltzer, Ramsey, Tomlinson, Woolfolk NAYS (0): None

#### 2. WORK SESSION

A. <u>EDP24-051</u> Receive a report, hold a discussion and give staff direction regarding an economic development site database.

Staff presented the item and discussion followed.

- B. EDP24-049 Staff Reports:
  - 1. EDPB Partnership Update Jamie Adams
  - 2. Main Street Program Update Kristen Pulido
  - 3. Director Update Brittany Sotelo
  - 4. Future Agenda Items Christine Taylor

Staff presented each item and discussion followed.

### 3. CONCLUDING ITEMS

With no further business, the meeting ac	ajourned	l at	12:11	p.m.
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Steven Edgar, Chair	Vanessa Esparza
<b>Economic Development Partnership Board</b>	Administrative Assistant

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### **AGENDA CAPTION**

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding an update on the Airport Master Plan.

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#### **AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET**

**DEPARTMENT:** Denton Enterprise Airport

ACM: Frank Dixon

**DATE:** August 14, 2024

#### **SUBJECT**

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding an update on the Airport Master Plan.

#### **BACKGROUND**

This agenda item will include a brief overview of Denton Enterprise Airport ("DTO") and an update on the Airport Master Plan project.

DTO has a rich history dating back to 1943 as an Army Air Corps training field. Today, it is a vital national airport supporting general aviation traffic and serving as a reliever airport for DFW International Airport and Love Field. DTO boasts two parallel runways (7002 ft. and 5002 ft.), towered operations, and spans 928 acres. The airport is home to 64 businesses, leases over 110 acres of property, and handles more than 200,000 operations annually.

The Master Plan, updated every ten years as required by the FAA, serves as a 20-year guide for the airport's development, operations, and maintenance. The last update was <u>completed in 2015</u>. This plan is crucial for identifying future needs, optimizing land use, and ensuring safety. The Master Plan process involves several phases, including goal establishment, inventory of current conditions, evaluation of demand and capacity, and development of alternative recommendations. This iterative process ensures thorough stakeholder engagement and results in a strategic development plan focused on meeting aviation demand and maximizing the airport's contribution to the community.

To learn more about the project, residents can visit <u>dto.airportstudy.net</u>.

#### **EXHIBITS**

Exhibit 1 – Agenda Information Sheet Exhibit 2 – Presentation

Respectfully submitted: Ryan Adams Director of Airport

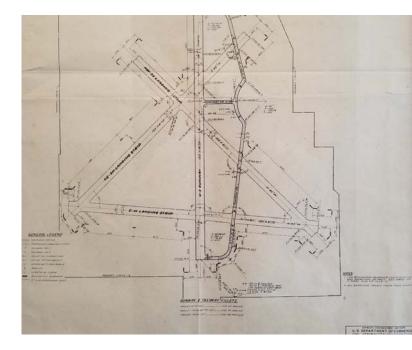


# **Airport Master Plan Overview**

Ryan Adams Airport Director

## Denton Enterprise Airport (DTO)

- Dates to 1943
  - Army Air Corps Training Field
- 1985:
  - Small, outdated terminal
  - Six commercial and private buildings
  - Single 5,000 ft. runway
  - 630 acres





# **Denton Enterprise Airport (DTO)**

- National Airport
  - Vital role in accommodating all forms of General Aviation Traffic
  - Reliever airport for DFW and Love Field
- 2 Parallel Runways
  - 7,002 ft.
  - 5,002 ft.
- Towered Operations



## **Quick Facts**

- **928** Acres
- **64** businesses
- 110+ acres of leased property
- 200,000+ annual operations
- 140,000+ gallons of fuel/month

1,435 jobs supported\$45.8M in annual payroll\$156.3M local economic impact

## General Aviation Activities/Services:

- Corporate aviation
- Flight training
- Air ambulance
- Charter flights
- Recreational flying
- Aircraft maintenance
- Hangar Rentals
- Aircraft Painting and Finishing
- FBO Services

## **About the Master Plan**

- Required by FAA
- Updated at least every 10 years
  - Last update in 2015
- Guides the direction of public airports
- 90% federally funded
- Result is a 20-year guide to:
  - Development
  - Operations
  - Maintenance

## Factors considered:

- Future aviation demand
- Efficiency and safety
- Optimal land use
- Future growth
- Potential revenue generation
- Unique community attributes

## **About the Master Plan**

## What it is:

- Comprehensive and Long Range
- Proactive:
  - IDs future needs
  - Protects from challenges of inadequate facilities
- Adopted by City Council
- An opportunity for stakeholders to engage on the future of DTO

## What it is not:

- A guarantee of certain projects
- A guarantee of project funding
- Environmental clearance

## **Master Plan Process**

Initiation Phase 1 Phase 2 Phase 3 Conclusion Develop Evaluate Inventory Establish goals recommendation conditions demand/capacity alternatives Draft final plan Form Planning Facility Finalize Aviation forecasts Advisory recommendations requirements Committee Council approval PAC/workshop PAC/workshop PAC/workshop PAC Workshops

## **Planning Outcomes**

- Development Strategy
  - Take advantage of aviation demand
  - Prescribe uses to meet demand
  - A focused approach
- Infrastructure Implementation Plan
  - Drainage
  - Pavement
  - Safety
- A vision for the west side
- Maximize the airport's contribution to aviation and community

## **Get Engaged**



dto.airportstudy.com

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## out Denton Enterprise Airport

ated by the City of Denton, Texas. DTO is considered a "National" airport according s (NPIAS), and as such, it serves a vital role in accommodating all forms of general g, emergency medical flight services, charter flights, and recreational flying, among roperty located approximately three miles west from downtown Denton. In terms of Department of Transportation (TxDOT) in 2018 found that the Denton Enterprise payroll, and \$156.3 million in total economic impact to the local economy. The apponent that supports economic development and quality of life for residents in and around the City of Denton.



## Coming Soon to DTO!

- Fire Station #9 Grand Opening
- Reconstructed Main Runway
- Hallowing 2024
- Aviation Exploring Program
- 300,000 SF of development
- 2024 Economic Impact Study

HALLO-WING Thursday, Oct. 26 | 6-8 p.m. **Denton Enterprise Airport** Free community Event Trick or Treating Plane-to-Plane

## **Questions?**



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### **AGENDA CAPTION**

Receive a report, hold a discussion regarding Rayzor Ranch Build-Out & Public Improvement District.

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#### **AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET**

**DEPARTMENT:** City Manager's Office

CM: Sara Hensley, City Manager

**DATE:** August 14, 2024

#### **SUBJECT**

Receive a report, hold a discussion regarding Rayzor Ranch Build-Out & Public Improvement District.

#### **BACKGROUND**

In **2014** the two primary developers Allegiance Hillview and RED Development, petitioned the City to form the Rayzor Ranch PID.

In **2019** RED Development sold their interest in Rayzor Ranch to Fidelis Realty Partners. A City Council Work Session was held the same year and the Council gave direction to pause initiating the PID to allow Fidelis Realty Partners to demonstrate their intention to build out Rayzor Ranch

In **2024** Fidelis Realty Partners approached City to discuss the final build-out and restart the process to initiate the Rayzor Ranch PID.

The final build-out plans to address:

## **Complete construction of the Town Center Boulevard Promenade**

o Promenade and through the Town Center Development from US 380 (University to Embassy Suites main entrance).

### Improve pedestrian connectivity in the Town Center

o Embassy Suites Hotel and Convention Center to the retail, restaurant, and park.

### Potential Additional Opportunity for Public Art

o Roundabout located within the Town Center Promenade

#### **Potential Additional Opportunity for Signage**

o Including wayfinding inside Town Center and from Interstate 35 and US 380

Aside from the final build-out, Fidelis is interested in creating the Rayzor PID. Previously, steps were taken toward creating the Rayzor PID in 2014-2019, since then several things have changed including ownership and the prior agreements have expired.

City staff is proposing to start the Rayzor PID process over again (estimated 6-9 months) and provide updates to Council as the item progresses and bring back items for Council consideration including a service and assessment plan, and agreements.

#### **EXHIBITS**

- 1. Agenda Information Sheet
- 2. Presentation

Respectfully submitted: Christine Taylor Assistant City Manager



# Rayzor Ranch Build-Out & Public Improvement District

CHRISTINE TAYLOR

ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD WORK SESSION

AUGUST 14, 2024

EDP24-060

## **Objective**

This presentation highlights the goals of the Rayzor Ranch development at its final buildout and provide an update on the Rayzor Public Improvement District (PID).

## Background

- 410-acre mixed-use development generally located on both sides of US Highway 380 between I-35 and Bonnie Brae.
- Economic Development Agreement: 50% cost share of the City's sales tax revenue for 20 years for Phase I (Marketplace) on the north side and 25 years for Phase II (Town Center).
  - The incentive is capped at \$68 million.

## **Background**

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## **Proposed Rayzor Final Build-Out**

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## **Additional Opportunity for Public Art**

Roundabout located within the Town Center Promenade

## **Additional Opportunity for Signage**

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## **Town Center Promenade**





## **Town Center Promenade/ Connectivity**

Segment 2
Under Construction

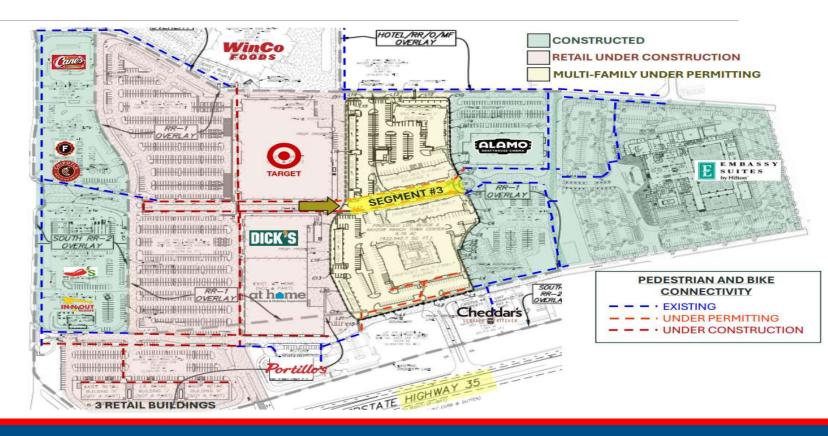




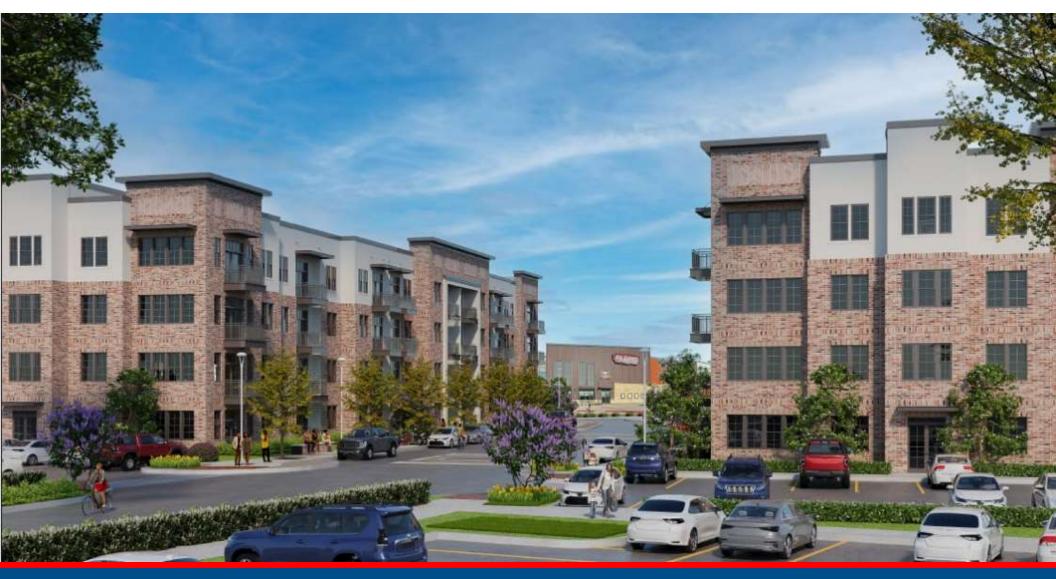


## **Town Center Promenade/ Connectivity**

**Segment 3** In Permitting



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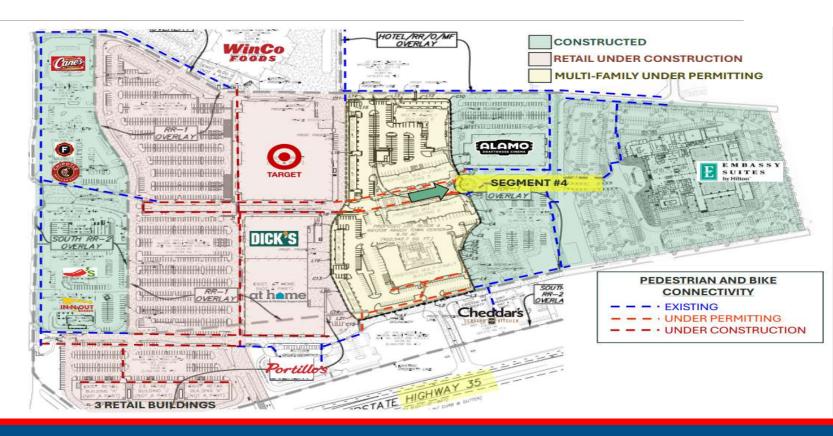
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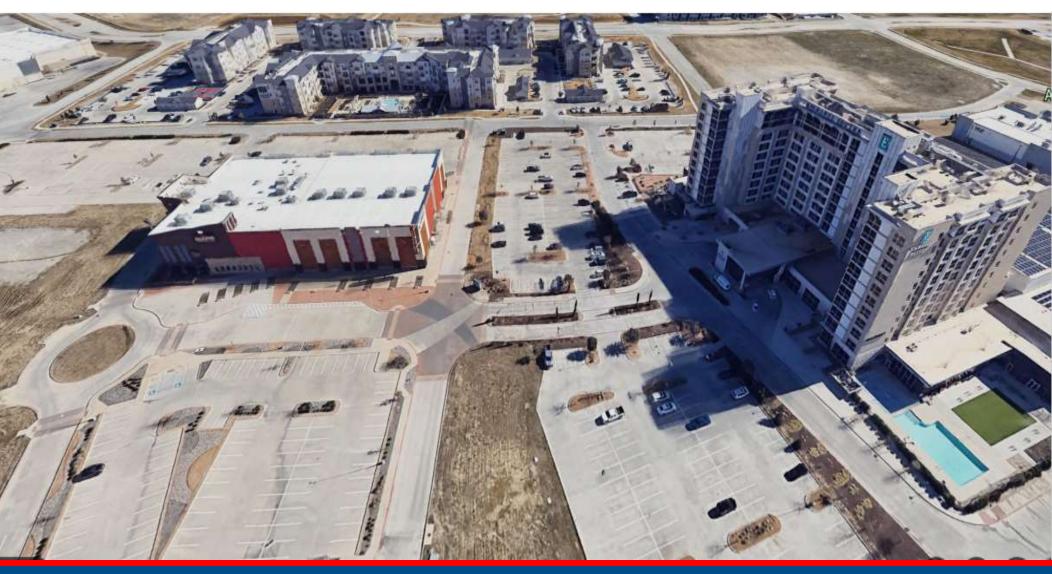


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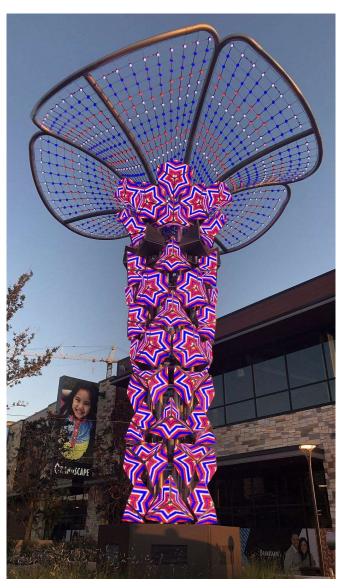
## **Town Center Promenade/Connectivity**

Segment 4
Completed











# **Opportunity for Public Art**

**Examples** 



# **Public Improvement Districts**

PIDs are an economic development tool to fund public improvements that benefit a defined area.

- Allowed under Chapter 372 of the Local Government Code.
- Property owners within the PID boundary are assessed fees for the benefits they receive.
- Primary benefits of PIDs:
  - Potential to increase the quality of development through better amenities.
  - Allocates costs according to the benefits received.
  - Developers can use tax-exempt debt or be reimbursed through PID assessments to pay for public infrastructure.

# Rayzor Public Improvement District Update

In 2024 Fidelis Realty Partners approached City to discuss the final build-out and restart the process to initiate the Rayzor Ranch PID.

Steps had previously been taken toward creating the Rayzor PID in 2014-2019, since then several things have changed including ownership and the prior agreements have expired.

City staff is proposing to start the process over (estimated 6-9 months), provide updates to Council as the item progresses, and bring back items for Council consideration, including a service and assessment plan, agreements, etc.

On July 16, 2024, the City Council received an update and supported re-starting the process to initiate the PID

# Questions

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### **AGENDA CAPTION**

Receive a report and hold a discussion regarding Denton Municipal Electric.

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**DEPARTMENT:** Economic Development

**ACM:** Christine Taylor, Assistant City Manager

**DATE:** August 14, 2024

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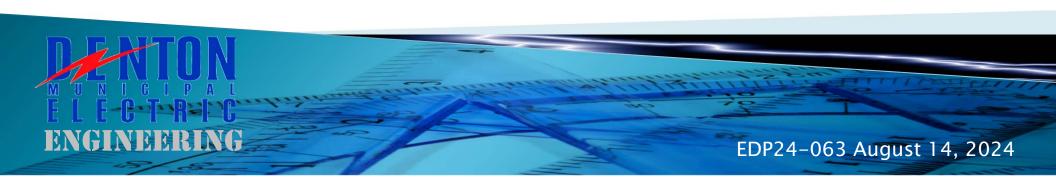
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Exhibit 2 – Denton Municipal Electric Presentation

Respectfully submitted: Vanessa Esparza Administrative Assistant

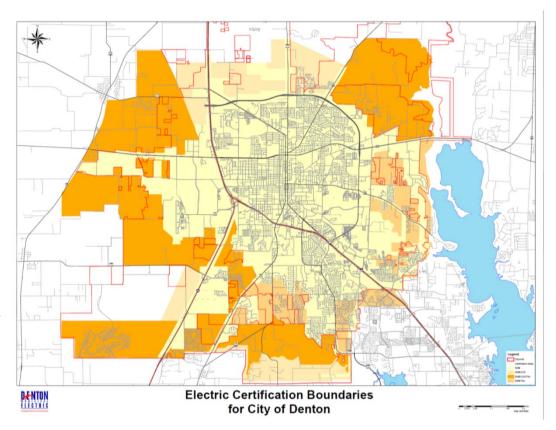
# DME Capital Project Planning & Management

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# Denton Municipal Electric

- Approximately 100 square miles
- 67,300 electric customers
- 188 employees
- System Peak: 491 Megawatts
  - 88% Residential, 10% Commercial, 2% Industrial/Large
- Annual Revenue: \$330 million+

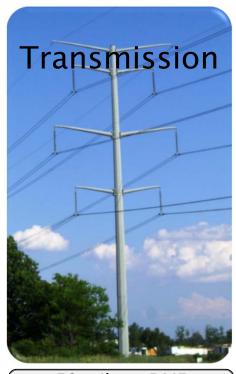




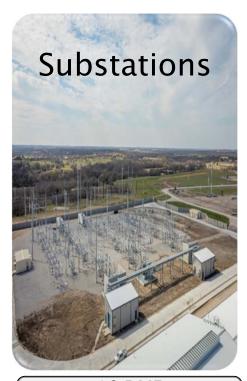
# Systems



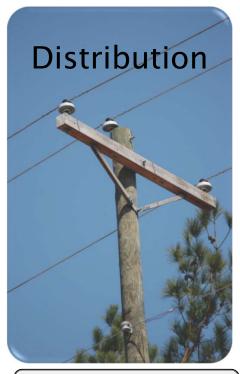
Denton Energy Center 225 MW



59 miles – DME 43 miles – TMPA



18 DME 3 TMPA



953 miles (62% underground)



# Denton Municipal Electric



Excellence in Reliability



Smart Energy Provider 2022-2024



Safety Award in Excellence Gold



RP3 2024 Diamond



SolSmart Gold Texas Sierra Club
Texas Clean Energy Score
Card

Denton Municipal Electric (MOU)
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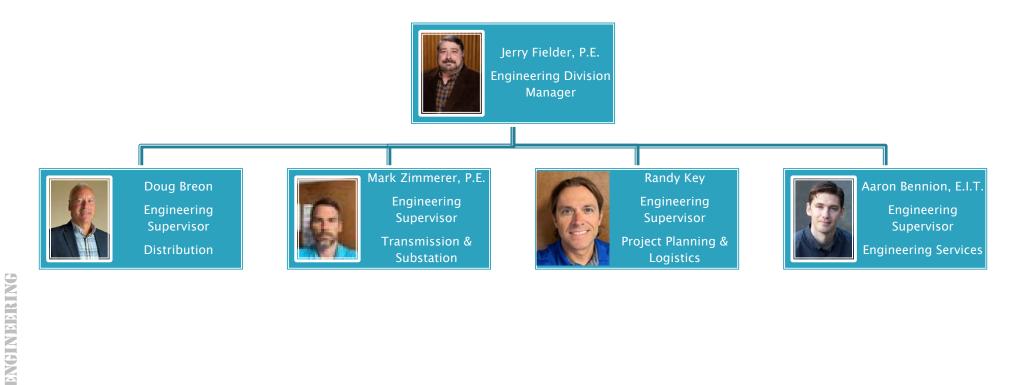
# **Key Accounts**

- Large or unique loads generally 20 MW or greater
  - ~26 customers
- Proactive communications during weather or system emergencies
- On site response vehicles during UNT events at DATCU Stadium





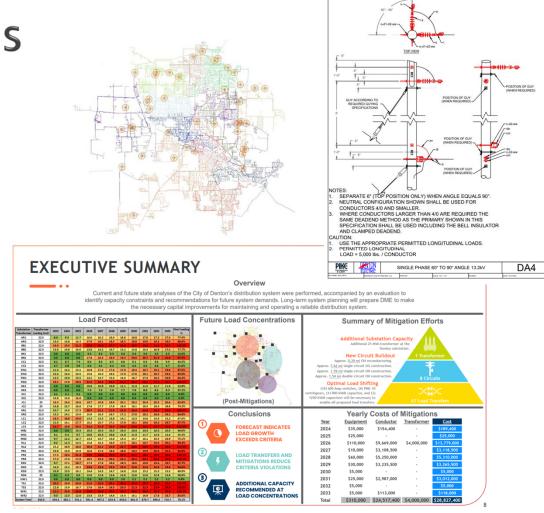
# **Engineering Organization**





# **Engineering Services**

- 10-year forecasting and planning
- System improvements identified and programmed into capital improvement plan
- Manage capital improvement budget preparation and submission for all DME
- Responsible for standards including construction drawings, streetlighting and more
- Electric Services Standards and Line Extension Policy provide requirements for developers and responsibilities for construction.



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# Preparing for the future

- Yearly studies of feeder and substation loading allow us to prepare infrastructure to meet growth
- Preparing for 24kV distribution in West Denton which allows more capacity with fewer substations
- Higher distribution voltage means more electrification of homes and vehicles without increasing the physical size of utility equipment
- Automated distribution devices are being added to the system for faster outage restorations



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# **Engineering Services**

- Ongoing power quality and reliability studies are an analysis of outages and system reliability to identify weaknesses and implement hardening measures.
- Goal is to reduce the number of impacted customers, the duration, and quantity of outages.
- Achieved the APPA Certificate of Excellence in Reliability for the last 6 years in a row.







# Distribution

### **Capital Projects Responsibilities**

- Identify Capital Projects for Distribution Facilities
  - New Developments
  - Feeder Extensions/Improvements
  - Relocations for TxDOT, City, County, Other
  - Street Lighting
- Prepare Project Estimates
- Design & Project Management
- Monthly Expenditure Tracking
- Project Completion



# Distribution

### **Economic Development & New Business Prospects**

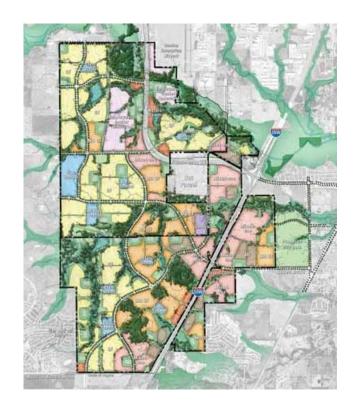
- Provide distribution system maps and information.
- Develop estimated costs for new facilities to serve potential customers.
- Provide Development Review feedback and comments on all new projects.
- Design staff work directly with developers/contractors/builders to ensure needs are met.





# **Hunter & Cole Ranch**

- DME Engineering has been working directly with the Hunter and Cole Ranch leadership teams since 2020 to determine electric needs. Both projects currently have submitted Phase 1 design plans, which are being reviewed by DME Engineering.
- DME Enginering is planning and designing electric distribution facilities to ultimately operate at 24.9 kV. Due to current system configuration and scheduled completion of the Underwood Substation, the new facilities will initially be operated at 13.2 kV, with a future planned conversion to 24.9 kV
- Significant automation is being planned to enhance system flexibility and restoration abilities.

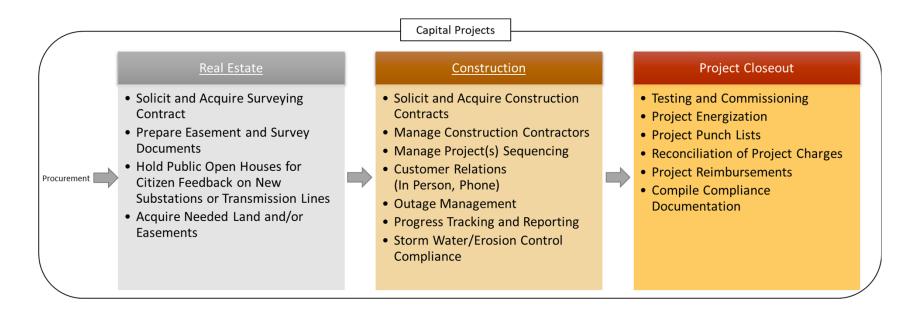


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# **Transmission & Substations**

**Capital Projects** Transmission Planning Design Procurement Budget (Substation and Transmission) (NERC, FERC, ERCOT) • Participate in ERCOT • Prepare highly technical • Prepare Project Budget Solicit and Acquire PSA **Working Groups Estimates** contract for design (PUB, material specifications (All year long.) Council) • Prepare CIP and Operations • Solicit and Acquire material • Prepare Annual FERC 715 **Budgets** • Create Design Standards contracts for all projects Study (3-4 Months) (PUB, Council) • Manage Project Funds Provide direction to • Request for ERCOT Project consultant • Order Material Complete Project Closeouts Approval • Order Warehouse Material Design Reviews • Submit Regional • Issue for Construction • Manage Leadtime changes Transmission Plan Report or Superseded Parts • Asbuilt Drawing Creation • Submit ERCOT Annual Load • COD, TXDOT, Railroad • Manage Contract, Pay Data Report Permits Invoices, Reimbursable Billing



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# **Transmission & Substations**

### **Hickory GIS Substation**

- 22' Architectural Wall (Aesthetics Committee)
- 138kV Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS)
- Two 25MVA Power Transformers (10MVA more than Existing Hickory Substation)
- Underground Distribution and Transmission
- Future Expansion
  - Two Additional 25MVA Power Transformers
  - One additional Underground Transmission Line





# **Transmission & Substations**

# **Major Capital Projects**

- Underwood Substation
- 50MVA Transformer Additions
  - RD Wells Substation
  - Jim Christal Substation
  - Masch Branch Substation



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# **Project Planning**

- Project Coordination and Management
  - Managing project QUE (setting priorities and scheduling construction).
  - Smart equipment programming, troubleshooting, maintenance, and installation.
  - Development management and civil work inspections
  - Estimates for labor time and equipment
  - Initiates material orders and schedule contractor pick ups
  - Project close outs and reconciliations
- Monitors warehouses and forecasts material requirements for future projects and assets – up to 5 years in advance (supply chain)
- Right of Way Permitting
- Line locates
- Manages Maximo workorders



# Logistics

- Responsible for asset and inventory management.
  - Supervises assets and materials valued at \$45 million across three locations
  - Currently, there are over 3,200 assets on hand under DME Logistics management, with an additional 2,000 on order for upcoming projects.
  - Purchase and receives assets based on project forecasts from Electric Project Coordinators
  - Update and maintain asset status
  - Responsible for scheduling and distributing all DME distribution assets for maintenance, outages, contractors, and projects.

No projects have been delayed due to supply chain issues



# Thank you. Questions?

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**ACM:** Christine Taylor, Assistant City Manager

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### **SUBJECT**

Receive a report and hold a discussion regarding the Design Downtown Denton Master Plan.

### **EXHIBITS**

Exhibit 1 – Agenda Information Sheet

Exhibit 2 – Presentation

Respectfully submitted: Kristen Pulido Main Street Program Manager



# **Project Team**



City of Denton Cameron Robertson, AICP Project Manager

Sean Jacobson Assistant Project Manager

Tina Ferguson Planning Director

**Gary Packan** Parks and Recreation Director



Mend Collaborative Planning, Design and Public Engagement

Zakcq Lockrem, AICP Project Manager

Michelle Bright, SITES AP Principal-in-Charge

**Todd Austin** Deputy Project Manager

Sandy Meulners-Comstock, PLA Lead Designer

Kennedy Rauh Designer

Olivia Halsne Designer



**Post Oak Preservation** Historic Preservation

Ellis Mumford-Russell Historic Resources Lead Rachel Alison Preservation Associate



The Catalyst Group Market Research/TOD Strategy

Paris Rutherford Market/TOD Strategy Lead



**Nelson-Nygaard** Mobility and Transportation

Jackson Archer Mobility Lead Sam Ergina Mobility Support



WFG William Fulton Group Economic Development/ Implementation Strategy

> William Fulton, FAICP Founder/CEO

> > 2

# Schedule



### **Understand**

June - Sept 2023

### Goal:

Understand key issues, challenges, and previous plans affecting the study area.



### **Envision**

Sept 2023 - Feb 2024

### Goal:

Provide vetted strategies and approaches to project goals.



### Act

Feb - May 2024

### Goal:

Document a clear path to implementation.



### Adopt

June - Sept 2024

### Goal:

Facilitate adoption by relevant regulatory bodies.

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# **Public Engagement Review**

### **Online Survey**



3032 Online visits by 2054 visitors 462 Social Map Comments 153 Downtown Love/Need Comments

### Overall Community Feedback

907 Total Comments3,391 Total Reactions95 Total Survey Responses

### Pop-Ups







September 2023

September 2023

October 2023

109 Map Comments
190 Downtown Love/Need Comments
300+ Pop-up interactions

### Workshops







December 2023

95 Total Survey Responses

# Vision Statement

Design Downtown Denton to be a more walkable, beautiful, and fun destination for shopping, working, learning, and recreation that also serves as a hub of opportunity, welcoming all Dentonites. Cultivate a vibrant and diverse residential community. Preserve and expand the distinctive local businesses, foster a strong sense of community, and safeguard the historic and artistic character while promoting growth and development.

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# **Community Priorities**



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# Recommendations

Design Downtown Denton presents a vision for the future of Downtown Denton where local government, businesses, developers and community have taken collaborative action to change policy and develop public and private facilities that will:

- Better utilize downtown's streetscape making downtown more walkable and accessible, with improved management of parking and mobility, and a focus on prioritizing all forms of transportation,
- Build a network of improved public spaces providing Dentonites with beautiful places to relax, play, and reflect, all within a short distance form their homes.
- Target development to build on downtown's
   character and assets by preserving existing
   structures while building compatible housing, parks
   and retail that invite new families to make Downtown
   Denton their home,
- and Promote Downtown's nightlife, music, events, history, and art through branding and advertising that tells the story of Downtown Denton's history and culture while promoting its future, programs that provide support for artists and musicians, and projects that create new venues, events and entertainment.

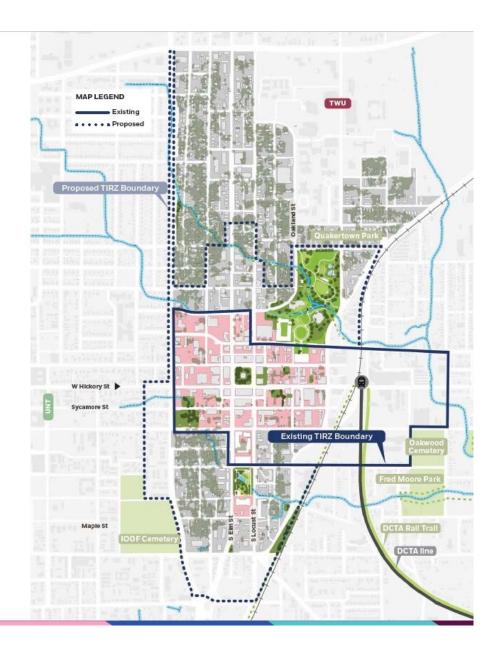


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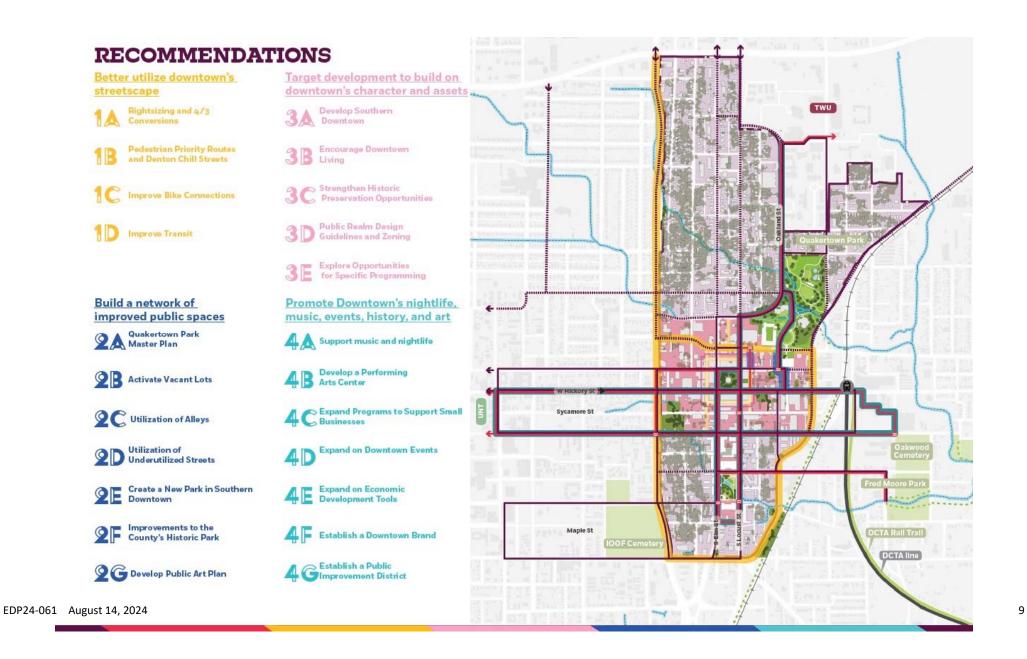
# Modify and Expand on Economic Development Tools

The City of Denton should expand economic development opportunities through new and existing funding sources such as:

- Tax-Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ)
- Downtown Reinvestment Grants
- 380 Agreements
- Catalyst Fund
- Historic Tax Credits
- Qualified Hotel Project Tax Rebate
- Parking Benefit District
- Affordable Housing Tax Exemption
- New Market Tax Credits
- HUD 108 Loan Guarantees
- Private/Philanthropic Funding
- Building new economic development tools together
- Texas PACE programs



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# Timeline for Policy creation and expansion

Policy Recommendation	Timeline		
<b>3D</b>   Public Realm Guidelines and Zoning Recommendations	Years 1		
<b>4E</b>   Expand TIRZ	Other Recommendations Are Dependent On These		
4G   Establish a PID	Dependent on These		
<b>3B</b>   Encourage Downtown Living	Years 1-5		
4A   Utilize Policy and Regulation to Support Music and Nightlife			
4C   Expand Programs to Support Small Businesses			
<b>4E</b>   Expand on other Economic Development Tools			
<b>3C</b>   Strengthen Historic Preservation Opportunities	Complete As		
<b>3E</b>   Explore Opportunities for Specific Programing	Opportunities Arise		
<b>4D</b>   Expand on Events			

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Implementation		onomic				Tool L	ocation and	Purpose			
Development Tools			Public			Existing Private			New Private		
Tool	Priority	Revenue Source	Clean & Safe / Ambassadors	Public Infrastructure	Public Realm Improvements	Support for	Support For Commercial Property Owners	Support for Residential Property Owners	Incentivizing New Commercial Development	Incentivizing New Housing	Support for Startups Based Downtown
TIRZ	1	Tax Increment			•						
380 Agreements	1	TIRZ								•	
Downtown Reinvestment Grants	1	TIRZ				•	•				•
Low Interest Loans	1	TIRZ				•					
Public Improvement District	1	Property Assessment		•	•						
Catalyst Fund	1	Variety of citywide sources				•			•	•	•
PACE	2	Property Assessments					•				
Historic Tax Credits	2	Property Tax Exemptions					•	•			
Affordable Housing Tax Exemptions	2	Property Tax Exemptions								x	
Parking Benefit District	2	Parking revenue			•						
"Small Business Benefit District"	2	Business Owners									Х
City Land	3	City Land Equity			•				•	•	
Qualified Hotel Project	3	State Sales and Bed Tax Rebates									
New Market Tax Credits	3	Federal Tax Credits							•		
HUD 108 Loan Guarantees	3	Community Development Block Grant Funds							•	•	
Tax Abatement (Ch.312 of the Texas Tax Code)	Existing	Tax Abatement					•	•			
Sales and Use Tax for Construction	Existing	Tax Rebate				•					
Water/Wastewater Utility Line Fund	Existing	Reimbusement						•			
Economic Growth Rider	Existing	Reduction in electrical demand charge				•		•			

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# Questions

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# **Legislation Text**

File #: EDP24-062, Version: 1

### **AGENDA CAPTION**

### Staff Reports:

- 1. Director's Report Brittany Sotelo
- 2. Downtown Economic Development Committee Update Jeremy Fykes
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### AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

**DEPARTMENT:** Economic Development

**ACM:** Christine Taylor, Assistant City Manager

**DATE:** August 14, 2024

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### **BACKGROUND**

### **Director's Report:**

A brief update on department projects and progress from Director Brittany Sotelo.

### **Downtown Economic Development Committee**

A general overview of recent Downtown Economic Development Committee (DEDC) meetings. The DEDC meets monthly with Jeremy Fykes as chair. This committee is a subcommittee of the Economic Development Partnership Board. Recent meetings have included incentive presentations and requests, road construction updates, Main Street updates, and other programming.

### **EDPB Partnership Update:**

A recap of recent and upcoming happenings within the Economic Development Partnership (EDP). Overview of key focus areas, EDP investor highlights, and meetings with key stakeholders in Denton. Additionally, recent and upcoming events include an EDP Quarterly Forum on July 24, Industrial Roundtable on August 2, Pickleball and Happy Hour on August 14, and HR Roundtable on August 20.

### **Sustainability Update:**

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and provide feedback regarding Environmental Services and Sustainability's proposed Green Business program.

### **Homeless Response Update:**

Receive a report and hold a discussion regarding homelessness response in the City of Denton.

### **Future Agenda Items:**

An overview of current items in the Agenda Queue and discussion of possible future agenda items.

### **EXHIBITS**

Exhibit 1 – Agenda Information Sheet

Exhibit 2 – Economic Development Director's Report August 2024

Exhibit 3 – Site Database Cover Page

Exhibit 4 – 2024 Community Survey

Exhibit 5 – Public Facility Corporations

Exhibit 6 – DCI-SSG State of Site Selection

Exhibit 7 – Site Selection Group 2024

Exhibit 8 – EDPB Partnership Update Report

Exhibit 9 – Draft Green Business Program Flyer

Exhibit 10 – Homelessness Presentation

Exhibit 11 – Queue of Future Agenda Items

Respectfully submitted: Matilda Weeden Economic Development Specialist August 14, 2024

# **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Economic Development Partnership Board Mtg.

Brittany Sotelo Economic Development Director



# **CURRENT ACTIVITIES**

- Continuing to streamline and improve processes
- Finalizing performance measure reporting
- Developing Economic Trend Newsletter
- Extended offer for the Business Recruitment Specialist Role

# PAST/UPCOMING EVENTS & TRADESHOWS

- Dallas Meetup Networking Event August
- DATA Center Investment Conference & Expo (DICE):
   South August
- UAV Drone EXPO September
- Move America Conference September

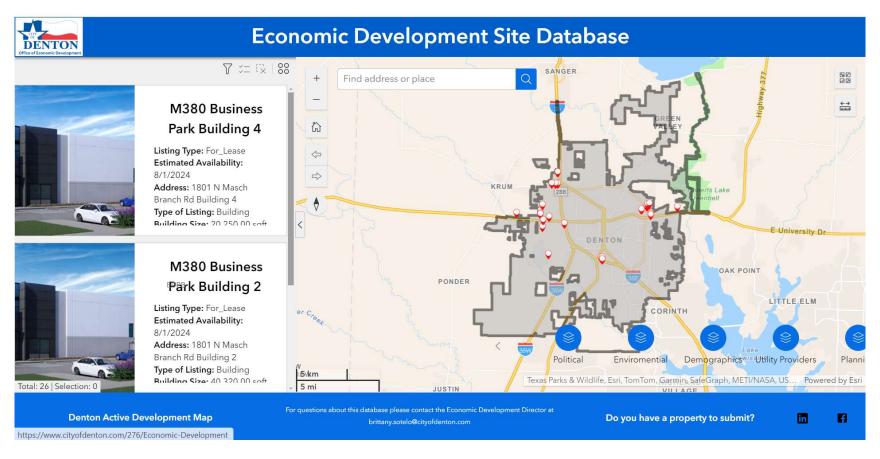
# **NSF ENGINE LOGISTICS INNOVATION GRANT**



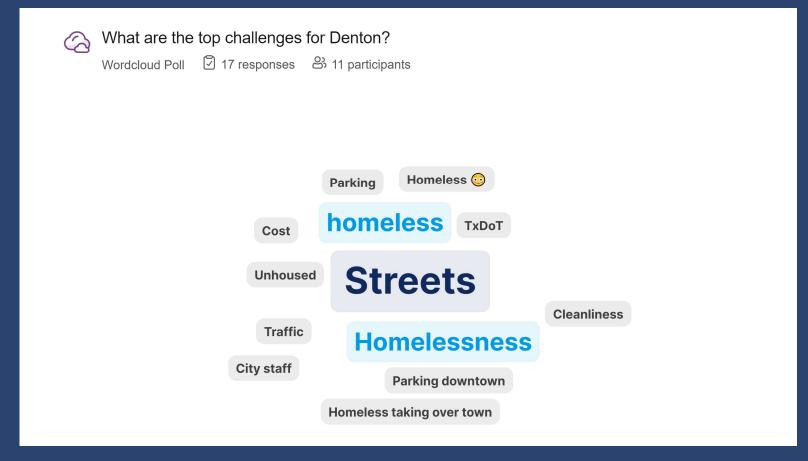
Led by UNT, the engine is a regionally-centered multi-sector coalition of partners and stakeholders across industry, academia, government, etc. working together to drive R&D innovation, growth and transformation for North Central Texas and the Southern Oklahoma Logistics Industry.

- Awarded \$1 Million in 2023 for TYPE 1 grant
- Applying for Type 2 grant in August \$160 Million
- Focus on building logistics corridor and funding for businesses

# SITE DATABASE COMPLETED



# LEADING BY DATA - REALTOR DAY SURVEY RESULTS



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# **2024 COMMUNITY SURVEY**



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**Feedback Emphasis**: Need to Attract Large Employers, Secure High Paying Jobs, Support for Small Businesses (Downtown)

# **Financing Tools in the Works**



# **Downtown**

- TIRZ Extension
- Public Improvement District (PID)

# Citywide

- Public Facility Corporation
- Entrepreneur Tech Grant

# 2024 SITE SELECTOR'S GUILD REPORT

THE PERCEPTION OF SHORT- AND LONG-TERM RISK FACTORS

	2 YEARS		10 YEARS			
1 <sup>st</sup>	Misinformation and disinformation	1 <sup>st</sup>	Extreme-weather events			
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Extreme-weather events	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Critical change to Earth's systems			
3rd	Societal polarization	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Biodiversity loss and ecosystem collapse			
4 <sup>th</sup>	Cyber insecurity	4 <sup>th</sup>	Natural resources shortages			
5 <sup>th</sup>	Interstate armed conflict	5 <sup>th</sup>	Misinformation and disinformation			
6 <sup>th</sup>	Lack of economic opportunity	6 <sup>th</sup>	Adverse outcomes of AI technologies			
7 <sup>th</sup>	Inflation	7 <sup>th</sup>	Involuntary migration			
8 <sup>th</sup>	Involuntary migration	8 <sup>th</sup>	Cyber insecurity			
9 <sup>th</sup>	Economic downturn	9 <sup>th</sup>	Societal polarization			
10 <sup>th</sup> EDP24-062, 8/1	Pollution 4/24	10 <sup>th</sup>	Pollution			

# SITE SELECTION GROUP 2024 INCENTIVES REPORT

Top states with the greatest amount of reported economic incentive awards in 2023.

NO.	STATE	TOTAL ECONOMIC INCENTIVES VALUE (\$M)	DEALS	CAPEX (\$M)	AVG CAPEX PER DEAL (\$M)	SUM OF NEW JOBS	SUM OF SAFE- GUARDED JOBS	TOTAL JOBS	AWARD PER JOB
1	Michigan	\$2,662.99	704	\$7,460.41	\$10.60	26,325	604	26,929.00	\$98,889.30
2	South Carolina	\$1,616.86	47	\$6,430.57	\$136.82	11,396	115	11,511	\$140,462.17
3	California	\$1,302.06	458	\$7,642.44	\$16.69	42,531	Ę	42,531	\$30,614.38
4	Indiana	\$1,215.06	187	\$10,684.92	\$57.14	23,139	4,893	28,032	\$43,345.50
5	Oregon	\$1,067.99	19	\$13,540.00	\$712.63	2,055	Ę	2,055	\$519,703.16
6	New York	\$1,012.65	309	\$6,357.06	\$20.57	92,992	3,883	96,875.00	\$10,453.19
7	Illinois	\$777.67	130	\$2,299.76	\$17.69	10,135	2,809	12,944	\$60,079.57
8	North Carolina	\$584.55	131	\$11,572.05	\$88.34	13,784	1,476	15,260	\$38,306.19
9	Ohio	\$570.93	307	\$12,718.60	\$41.43	20,119	23,450	43,569	\$13,104.10
10	Kentucky	\$516.98	166	\$12,107.15	\$72.93	20,430	1,476	21,906.00	\$23,599.84
13 1/24	Texas	\$433.60	174	\$3,169.08	\$18.21	16,213	466	16,679	\$25,996.76

# THANK YOU

# 288/380 LOGISTICS PARK

LOOP 288 & US 380, DENTON, TX





Lease or Sale

802,825 SF Total

Zoned: Light Industrial

### **DENTON ADVANTAGES**



I-35 Major connector from Laredo, TX to Duluth, Minnesota



Denton Municipal Electric provides 100% Renewable Energy



30 minutes to DFW Airport and Dallas Love Field



1.9M Workforce within 45 minutes



Home to the University of North Texas and Texas Woman's University

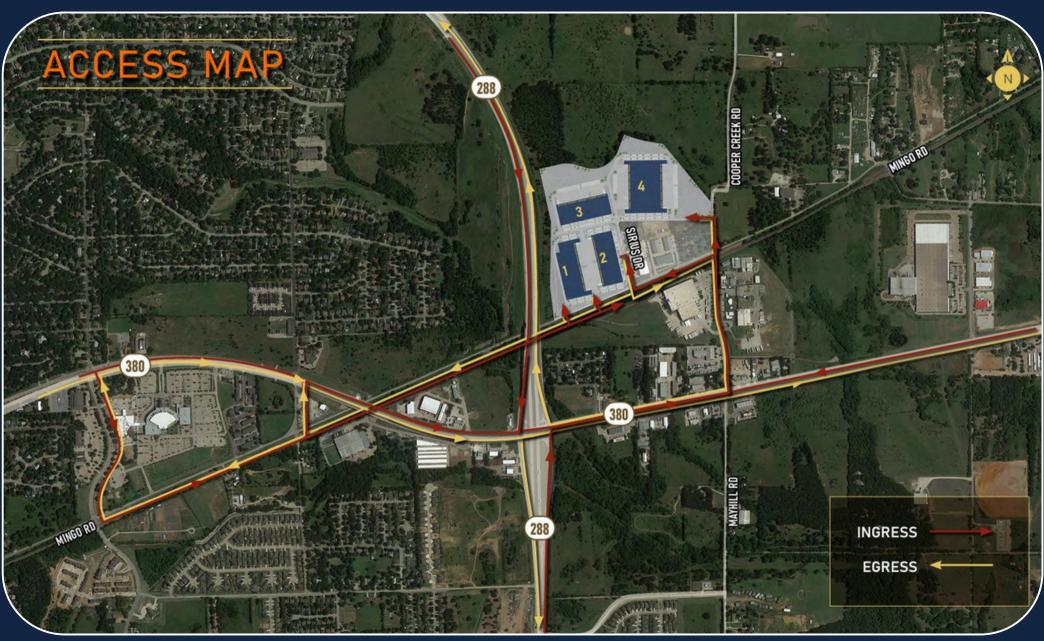


Denton Enterprise Airport - Busiest General Aviation in Texas

# 288/380 LOGISTICS PARK

LOOP 288 & US 380, DENTON, TX

# **LOCATION - ACCESS MAP**



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# 2024 COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS

Council Retreat June 21, 2024



# INTRODUCTION

- Conducted every 2 years
- Random sample of single-family and multifamily residents
  - 17,500 survey invitations sent
  - Stratified by zip code
  - Available in English and Spanish
- Valid Responses: 830
- Response Rate: 4.6%
- Confidence Level: 95%
- Margin of Error: ±3.4

# **SURVEY CATEGORIES**



# **QUALITY OF LIFE**

Denton as a Place to Live

76%

→ US Average 76%

→ TX Average 77%

Your Neighborhood as a Place to Live

80%

TX Average 73%

TX Average 71%

Denton as a Place to Raise Children

680/6

→ US Average 63% → TX Average 75%

Denton as a Place to Work

620/6

→ US Average 63% → TX Average 61%

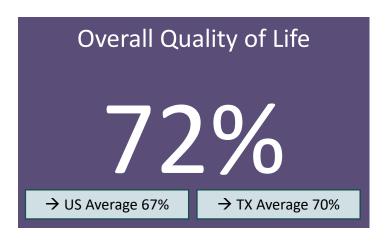
Denton as a Place to Retire

6106

7 US Average 55%

7 TX Average 54%

Excellent Ratings 4 7 Pts Since 2022



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**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT** 

Opportunities to Attend Cultural, Arts and Music Events

696

TX Average 59%

TX Average 59%

Opportunities to Attend Special Events and Festivals

640

7 US Average 57%



**COMMUNITY APPEARANCE AND DESIGN** 

51%	Appearance of the City	↓ US Average 65%	<b>↓</b> TX Average 71%
36%	Appearance of Major Streets and Corridors	↓ US Average 53%	✓ TX Average 58%
46%	Maintenance of Business Properties	☑ US Average 53%	☑ TX Average 55%
45%	Maintenance of Residential Properties	→ US Average 46%	ע TX Average 51%
47%	Cleanup of Litter and Debris	→ US Average 44%	ע TX Average 54%
44%	Overall Quality of Code Enforcement	→ US Average 45%	→ TX Average 47%

Feedback Emphasis: Impacts of Homelessness and Rapid Growth

**COMMUNITY APPEARANCE AND DESIGN** 



Overall Design and Layout of Denton 13% 32% ■ Excellent ■ Good ■ Average ■ Poor ■ Very Poor **Notable Changes since 2022** Negative Ratings ▼ 18 Pts Negative Ratings ▼ 13 Pts

Feedback Emphasis: Impacts of Rapid Growth including Increase in Multifamily Housing Developments

TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY US TX Avg Avg **Notable Changes since 2022** Ease of Public Parking 40% Negative Ratings ▼ 10 Pts 41% Ease of Travel by Car 49% 43% 33% Ease of Travel by Bicycle 37% 45% 29% Ease of Walking 40% 43% 27% Timing of Traffic Signals 36% Negative Ratings ▼ 7 Pts 59% 55% Traffic Management During Rush Hour 23% **Overall Quality of Transportation System** Negative Ratings ▼ 9 Pts 31% 48%

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** 

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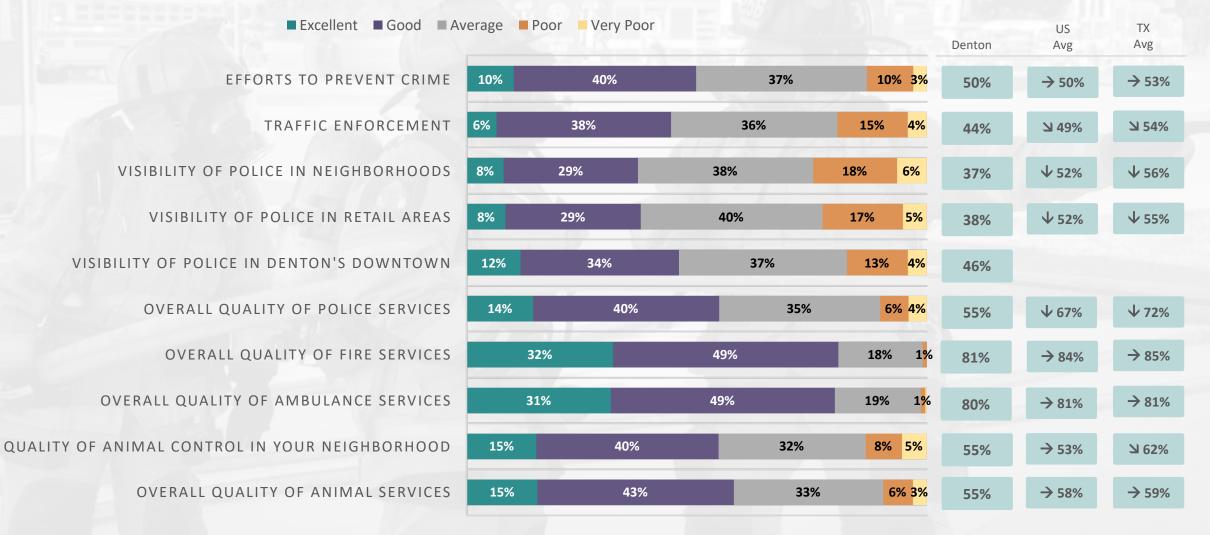
# **PUBLIC SAFETY**

### **Notable Changes since 2022**

Crime Prevention: Dissatisfaction ▲ 8 Points

Traffic Enforcement: Ratings of Excellence ▼8 Points

Neighborhood Animal Control: Dissatisfaction ▲ 10 Points



**Feedback Emphasis**: Hire More Officers, Increase Visibility, Strengthen Traffic Enforcement, Enhance Crime Prevention, Meet the Needs of Growth for All Public Safety Services

# **PUBLIC SAFETY**

**FEELINGS OF SAFETY** 

**Overall Feelings of Safety** 

88%

↑ US 66%

→ TX 86%



94%

**7** US 86%

**⊅** TX 89%

Neighborhood Park During the Day

92%

↑ US 69%

个 TX 72%

**Retail Areas** During the Day

93%

↑ US 79% ↑ TX 78% Downtown During the Day

95%

↑ US 62%

↑ TX 67%

Neighborhood in the Evening

84%

↑ TX 68% **小** US 67%

Neighborhood Park in the Evening

71%

**个** US 55% ↑ TX 49% Retail Areas in the Evening

76%

↑ TX 47% **个** US 51%

Downtown in the Evening

75%

↑ US 28%

↑ TX 15%

# **QUALITY OF CITY SERVICES**

#### **QUALITY OF LIFE SERVICES**

77%	Maintenance of City Parks	→ US Average 72%	→ TX Average 76%
70%	Quality of Facilities at Parks	→ US Average 70%	→ TX Average 69%
68%	Quality of Aquatics Facilities	↑ US Average 51%	↑ TX Average 46%
71%	Overall Quality of City Parks	→ US Average 68%	→ TX Average 71%
70%	Variety of Programs at Recreation Centers	↑ US Average 56%	↑ TX Average 52%
68%	Overall Quality of Recreation Centers	<b>对</b> US Average 59%	→ TX Average 71%
78%	Collection of Library Books and Materials	<b>⊅</b> US Average 72%	<b>对</b> TX Average 69%
80%	Overall Quality of Libraries	→ US Average 77%	→ TX Average 80%

Feedback Emphasis: Appreciation for Parks, Public Spaces, Positive Impact on Quality of Life, More Opportunities for Recreation and Events

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# **QUALITY OF CITY SERVICES**

**PUBLIC WORKS** 

35%

Condition of Major Streets

Dissatisfaction ▼ 26 Pts

**↓** US 47%

**↓** TX 52%

35%

Condition of Neighborhood Sidewalks

¥ US 45%

**↓** TX 48%

32%

Condition of Neighborhood Streets

**↓** US 49%

**↓** TX 53%

79%

Reliability of Water Service

Excellence 13 Pts

**7** US 72% → TX 76%

67%

Quality of Stormwater Drainage

**⊅** US 59%

→ TX 66%

56%

**Street Sweeping** 

Dissatisfaction ▼ 11 Pts

↑ TX 37%

49%

**Street Lighting** 

→ US 52%

→ TX 52%

45%

Condition of Traffic Signs,
Roadway Striping

**↓** US 58%

**↓** TX 57%

79%

Reliability of Electric Service

Excellence **10** Pts

↑ US 53%

↑ TX 46%

56%

Overall Quality of Infrastructure

Dissatisfaction ▼ 10 Pts

→ US 52%

**Feedback Emphasis**: Negative Impact of Road Conditions on Appearance and Driver Experience, Improve Roads in Downtown, Impacts of Rapid Growth

# **QUALITY OF CITY SERVICES**

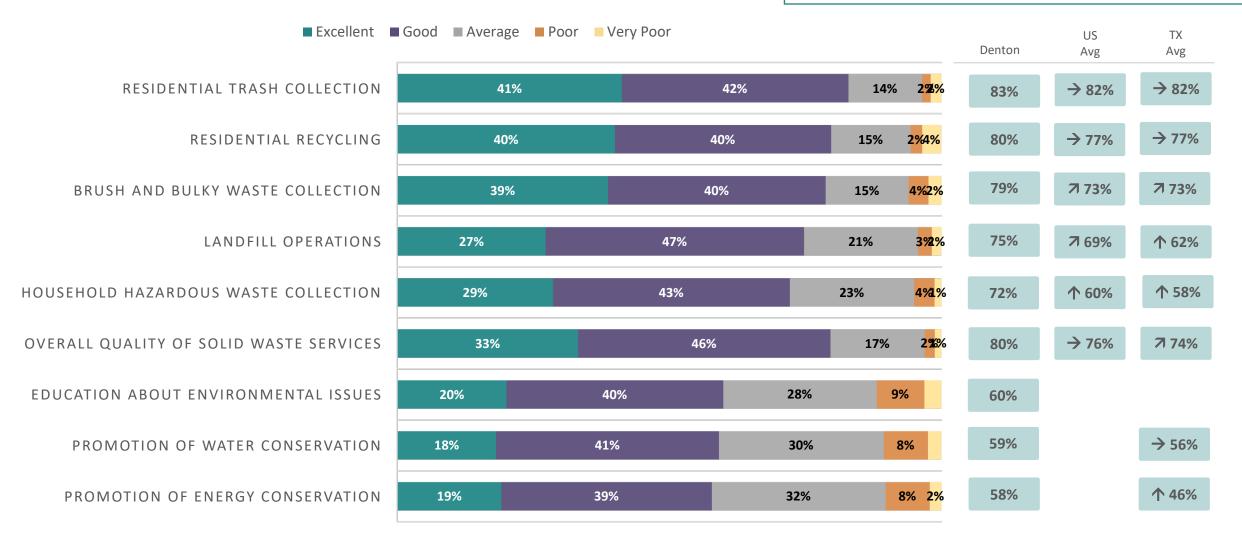
#### SOLID WASTE AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY SERVICES

#### **Notable Changes since 2022**

Trash Collection: Ratings of Excellence ▲ 16 Points

Recycling: Ratings of Excellence ▲ 20 Points

Brush and Bulky Waste: Ratings of Excellence ▲ 17 Points



# COMMUNICATION

59%

Availability of Information on Programs and Services

→ US 58%

→ US 62%

57%

Efforts to Keep Residents Informed About Key Issues

Dissatisfaction ▼ 11 Pts

→ US 55%

55% → US 59%

59%

Quality of the City's Website

☑ US 64%

**↓** TX 71%

63%

Usefulness of Information Mailed to Residents

**7** US 57%

51%

Efforts to
Engage
Residents
through Social
Media

→ US 49%

→ US 54%

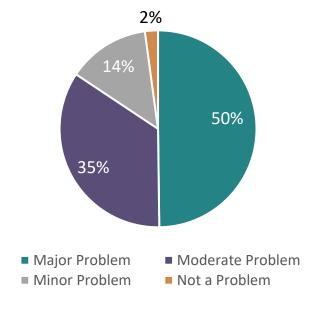
#### Sources of Information:

	Major Source	Minor Source	Not a Source
City Website	52%	36%	12%
City Mailed Newsletters	44%	43%	13%
City Cable Television Channel	9%	21%	70%
Social Media Channels	26%	37%	37%
City Email News Updates and Alerts	38%	40%	23%

Feedback Emphasis: Keep Residents Informed on Key Issues

#### **HOMELESSNESS**

To what degree, if at all, is homelessness a problem in the City of Denton?



#### **Sample of Respondent Feedback:**

There are homeless people everywhere and a lot of them with mental illness. This is not safe for them or people around them. Without medication, we don't know what could happen.

That's scary.

Stop wasting taxes on frivolous, woke, and harmful programs like subsidizing homelessness.

Jail vagrants and commit repeat offenders to mental hospitals.

Homelessness needs to be addressed as homelessness in Denton is becoming more visible. Create more shelters, mental health services, and job training.

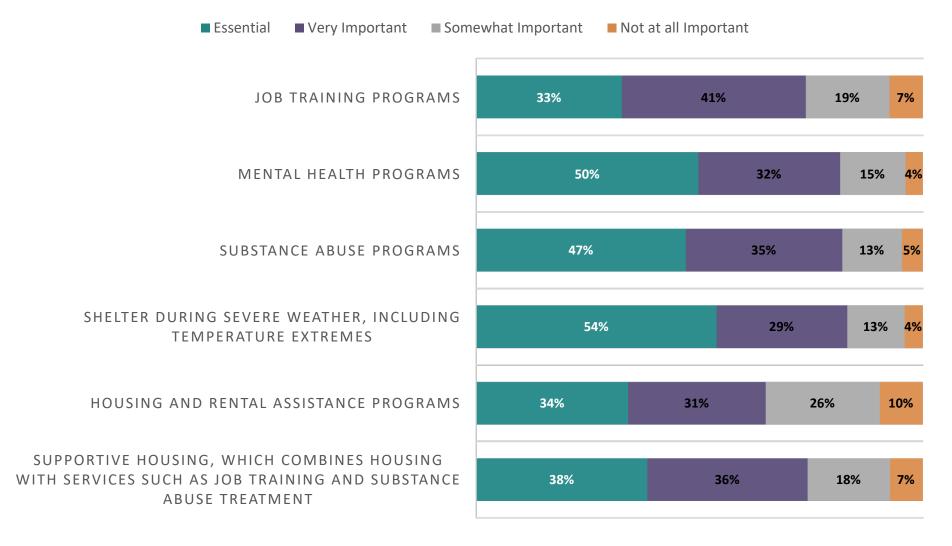
GET RID OF ALL HOMELESS
PEOPLE and DON'T
ENCOURAGE THEM WITH
SERVICES AND OR
ANYTHING.

As far as the homeless issue, this is not a homeless issue; it is a mental health and substance abuse issue. As a society, we are failing those in need of our help the most.

of where you put resources for the homeless. There are decent areas of Denton that are being overrun by droves of homeless due to the proximity of the facility that provides resources. This can give the appearance that Denton may not be safe in those areas.

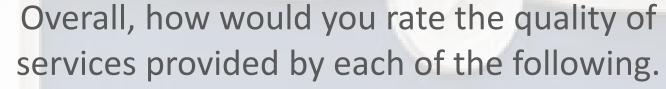
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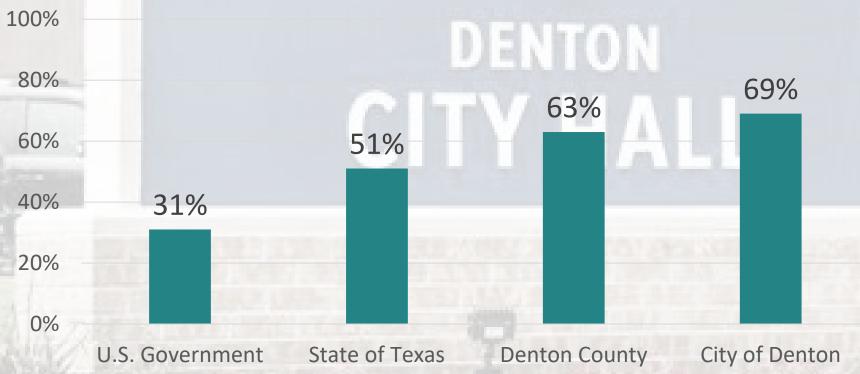
#### **HOMELESSNESS**



The City offers job training programs, year around sheltering, housing and rental assistance, and supportive housing services. Additional solutions require regional partnerships as the City does not have the resources to tackle homelessness on its own.

**QUALITY OF SERVICES** 





43%

Value of Services for Taxes Paid

43%

Overall Direction City is Taking

40%

**Overall Confidence in Denton Government** 

84%

Overall Customer Service

↑ US 69%

↑ TX 71%

Recommend living in Denton to someone who asks.

75%

↑ US 64%

→ TX 75%

Remain living in Denton for the next five years.

79%

↑ US 66%

→ TX 79%

## **PRIORITIES**

Shown in Priority Order

Efforts to Manage Issues Related to Homelessness

**Slides 16-17** 

Overall Quality and Maintenance of Streets and Sidewalks

Slide 13

**Overall Quality of Transportation System** 

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Overall Quality of Public Safety Services

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Overall Quality of Infrastructure

Slide 13

Overall Design and Layout of Denton's Residential and Commercial Areas

Slide 7



# **QUESTIONS?**



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# Public Facility Corporations

#### A WORKFORCE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT TOOL

The Public Facility Corporation (PFC) structure is an essential tool to promote the development of high-quality, mixed-income housing in Texas. Created as an economic development tool, PFCs provide workforce housing for middle-income families that are not currently served by housing tax credits or market-rate developments, while also stimulating growth and revitalization in targeted areas.

#### Who Uses PFCs To Develop Housing?











#### Who Benefits from Workforce Housing?



**Teachers** 

Social

Workers











**Plumbers** 

**Police** 



**Firefighters** 

News Reporters

### **HOW IT WORKS**



A local government entity creates a PFC to participate in a housing development



Developer proposes a mixed-income housing development



Developer obtains approvals, entitlements, and conventional financina from banks and lenders



Local government PFC takes ownership of the land and leases it back to the development



Developer builds quality housing for mixed-income residents



The PFC provides a property tax exemption allowing the development to offer below market rent units to eligible renters

#### **Why it Works**



**Large Private Sector Financial Investment** Local government oversight and control



Fills a critical housing need for local workforce



**Economic development for local community** 

Below-Market Rent for Households Earning ≤80% Area Median Income

> Mixed Income Housing

+ Market Rate Units

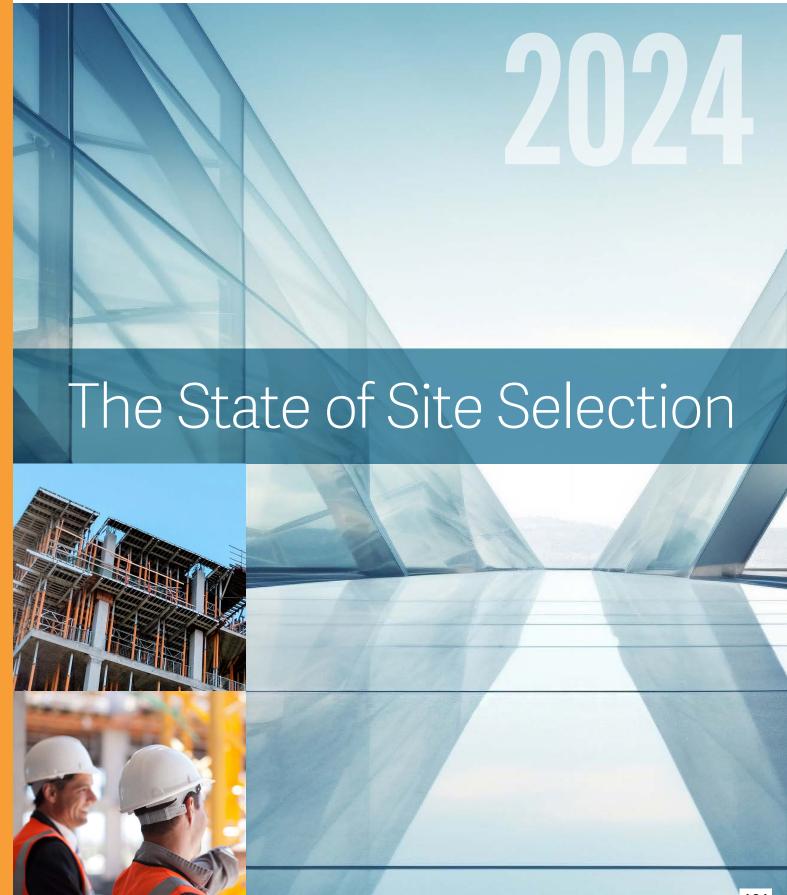
#### ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT

- Improve Transparency
- Tighten Local Controls
- Implement Affordability Best Practices
- Add Strict Compliance and Reporting Methods
- Implement Acquisition Requirements











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# About the Site Selectors Guild & DCI

#### The Site Selectors Guild

The Site Selectors Guild is the only association of the world's foremost professional site selection consultants. Guild members provide location strategy to corporations across the globe and for every industry, sector and function. Founded in 2010, the Site Selectors Guild is dedicated to advancing the profession of international corporate site selection by promoting integrity, objectivity and professional development. Members are peer-nominated, vetted, and must demonstrate significant professional location advisory experience. Guild membership is the highest standard in the site selection industry.

In 2023, Guild members facilitated the committed or announced creation of approximately 107,000 jobs and \$101 billion in capital investment by corporate clients, which required location analysis across 74 countries.

#### **Development Counsellors International (DCI)**

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# Methodology

In January 2024, the 68-member Guild partnered with DCI to prepare the third edition of its biennial report "The State of Site Selection," a primary research study that identifies the top trends impacting the facility location decision-making process in the United States and globally. Research inputs included focus groups and interviews with select Guild members, an online multiday focus group and an online survey distributed to all Guild members. We achieved participation by 100 percent of Guild members, resulting in globally relevant and diverse input representing experiential knowledge derived from Guild member project activity focused on both office projects (HQs, technology development centers, R&D, service centers, etc.) and industrial projects (manufacturing, warehousing, logistics, fulfillment, etc.).

As a conduit to global executives engaged in real-time business location decisions, the information provided by Guild members sheds light on the issues that are preoccupying corporate decision-makers and their advisors. Through the trends identified in the 2024 edition of "The State of Site Selection," our goal is to continue to help prepare and educate corporate executives and economic development (EDOs) organizations about the best ways to respond and react to issues now and in the future. Although none of these topics or factors operates in a vacuum, yet some can overlap, key themes and trends play an influential role in the location and site selection process.



# A Message from Guild Board Chair Larry Gigerich



The state of site selection continues to mature and evolve. When preparing for this year's report, it was hard not to reflect on the first two editions of "The State of Site Selection" and consider how many societal, political and economic transformations have taken place in four short years. In the case of the 2020 report, my colleagues and I never could have anticipated that a pandemic would permanently and irrevocably change the global landscape only days after its release. During 2022, we were still grappling with a new pandemic-created reality, including high-profile social challenges, talent shortages and skill mismatches, new workplace models and global political conflict.

As the pandemic dust has settled, my colleagues and I continue to see strong project activity, and our focus remains on project fundamentals to achieve the most-successful outcomes for our clients. However, we are evaluating those project fundamentals in a vastly different global context than what we experienced from two years, four years and certainly a decade ago, and this year's report shows a decided shift in tone, sentiment and priorities from our past two editions.







During 2024, when asked to characterize the state of site selection, the dominant theme heard overwhelming from my colleagues was based on the concept of an expanding and evolving definition of "risk". This encompasses the different types of risks impacting location decisions, how to measure it in our modeling and analyses and, most importantly, how to mitigate it on behalf of our clients and the economic development organizations we partner with. The preoccupation with risk is not surprising because we are in what Adam Tooze, professor of history at the University of Columbia in New York, coined the "polycrisis era" or "a cluster of related global risks with compounding effects, such that the overall impact exceeds the sum of each part." Crisis and risk seem to be omnipresent when considering underlying geopolitical tensions, environmental issues, fluctuating economies, the resulting impact on public well-being, a shortage of community assets, technological change and societal challenges.



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### FIGURE 1

### THE PERCEPTION OF SHORT- AND LONG-TERM RISK FACTORS

### **Risk Categories**

Economic Environmental Geopolitical Societal Technological

#### **2 YEARS**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Misinformation and disinformation	<b>1</b> st	Extreme-weather events		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Extreme-weather events	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Critical change to Earth's systems		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Societal polarization	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Biodiversity loss and ecosystem collapse		
4 <sup>th</sup>	Cyber insecurity	4 <sup>th</sup>	Natural resources shortages		
5 <sup>th</sup>	Interstate armed conflict	5 <sup>th</sup>	Misinformation and disinformation		
6 <sup>th</sup>	Lack of economic opportunity	6 <sup>th</sup>	Adverse outcomes of Al technologies		
7 <sup>th</sup>	Inflation	7 <sup>th</sup>	Involuntary migration		
8 <sup>th</sup>	Involuntary migration	8 <sup>th</sup>	Cyber insecurity		
9 <sup>th</sup>	Economic downturn	9 <sup>th</sup>	Societal polarization		
10 <sup>th</sup>	Pollution	10 <sup>th</sup>	Pollution		

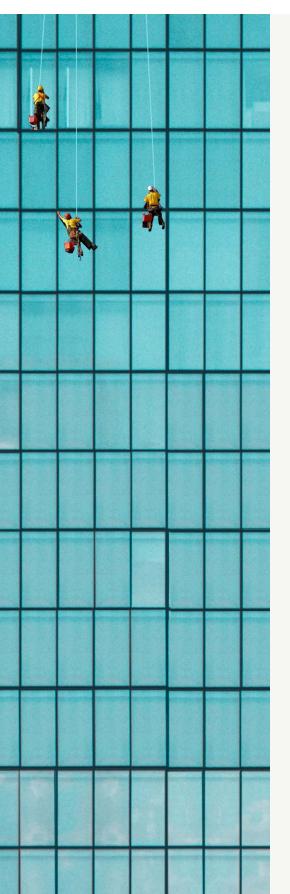
**10 YEARS** 

The perception of these risks, in cooperation with other global megatrends, has direct ramifications that impact the scale, location, timing and volume of corporate investment. My colleagues and I determined these global megatrends have the most impact on location decision-making:

- Trade frictions and global supply-chain challenges
- Changes in the size, growth and structure of populations and the workforce
- Climate change and the increasing amount of extreme-weather events
- Global infrastructure vulnerabilities, particularly electric power
- Evolving public sentiment and shifting levels of support for projects
- Inflationary pressu res affecting the cost and access to capital
- A potential political rebalancing with 40 national elections happening worldwide, which will send more than half of the world's population to the polls

Given this global context, it's no wonder that risk and uncertainty are top of mind among my colleagues, our clients and economic development organizations.

"While our focus is on traditional fundamentals for any project, those fundamentals will differ for each client, and it's also within the context of a rapidly changing world. What might be considered a "basic" factor 10 years ago is much different now in the age of AI and machine learning, remote and contract work, the electrification of everything and the volume and scale of projects."

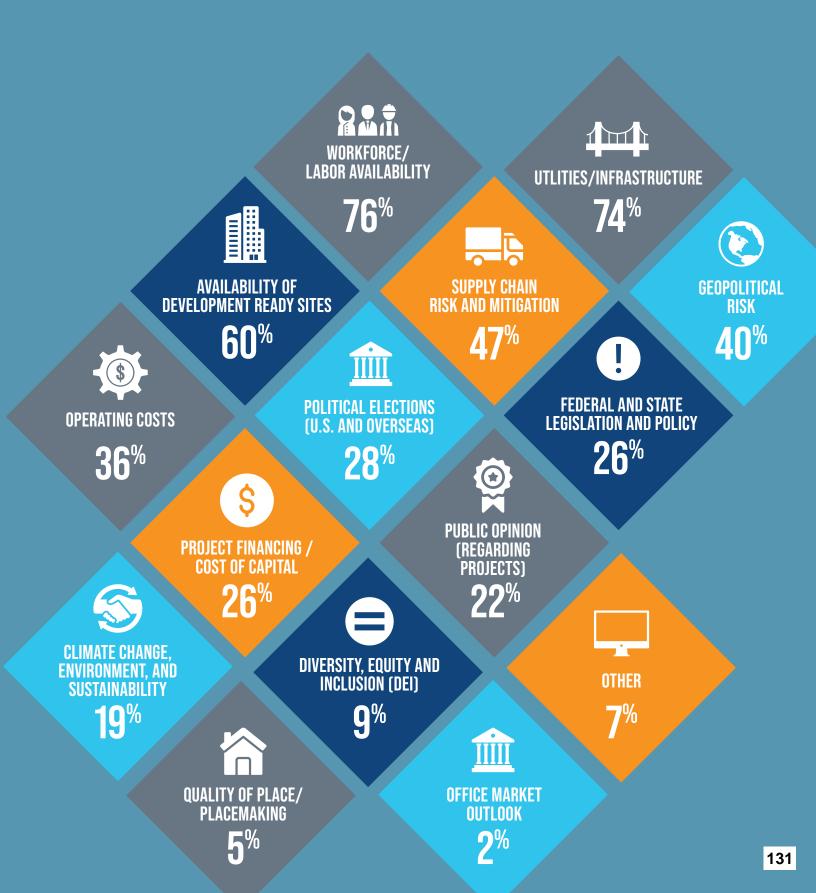


Guild members and their respective firms pride themselves on using objective, data-driven and process-oriented approaches that account for the specific and fundamental needs of our clients but in tandem with the global megatrends referenced above. We have witnessed a rebalancing of the weight placed on different location variables in light of these evolving conditions and risk factors. There has always been one certainty in our industry: Our clients abhor risk. We, as their advisors, must understand the impact of these exogenous global trends and how they impact the decision-making process to mitigate as much risk as possible for our clients and the communities in which they invest, all in the context of the factors most important to our clients as they consider their capital deployment and optimization strategies.

87%

of Guild members strongly agree that resource shortages (such as land, labor and utilities) have challenged or compromised project timelines.

FIGURE 2
THE TOP FACTORS IMPACTING THE SITE SELECTION INDUSTRY IN 2024



#### FIGURE 3

THE TOP FACTORS IMPACTING THE SITE SELECTION INDUSTRY IN 2024 BY PROJECT TYPE



**INDUSTRIAL** 



OFFICE

**Utilities / Infrastructure** 

**79**%

55%

Workforce / Labor Availability

72%

91%

**Availability of Development Ready Sites** 

64%

**45**%

Supply Chain Risk and Mitigation

**53**%

18%

**Geopolitical Risk** 

45%

18%

**Operating Costs** 

34%

45%

Political Elections (U.S. and Overseas)

32%

**9**%



**Project Financing / Cost of Capital** 30% 9% Federal and State Legislation and Policy 21% 45% **Public Opinion (Regarding Projects)** 21% 27% Climate Change, Environment, and Sustainability **17**% 27% Other **6**% 9% Quality of Place / Placemaking 6% 0% Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) **2**% 36% Office Market Outlook 0% 9%





Evolving global conditions will continue to challenge Guild members and our clients in ways we can't predict. Yet project activity continues to be strong, and despite vastly different conditions under which the industries and geographies are advancing, this report will take an in-depth look at five key themes that impact our objective analysis and process:

- Real Estate, Sites and Buildings
- Utilities and Infrastructure
- Workforce and Labor Availability
- Natural, Human and Geopolitical Risk
- Economic Development and Placemaking

It's been a privilege to lead the Site Selectors Guild for the past year. As I transition out of this role, our board welcomes this opportunity to reflect on the current state of the industry to help prepare and educate our clients and our valued economic development organization partners.

Sincerely,

**Larry Gigerich** 

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**Board Chair** 





# The State of Real Estate, Sites and Buildings

#### The Guild's Take

- A scarcity of developable industrial sites with sufficient utilities and infrastructure is impacting project timelines and the viability of projects.
- The cost and access to capital is limiting the momentum of project activity and is hindering product innovation and entrepreneurship.
- The volume and scale of office projects are unlikely to return to pre-pandemic levels for the foreseeable future, but niche sector opportunities exist.
- Public and private strategies to repurpose vacant office space and sites must be prioritized.

"In the U.S., the supply of industrial sites with adequate labor, utilities and access has been significantly reduced due to economic growth in the industrial sector over that last 10 to 15 years. In terms of the site selection process, intensified screening of sites at early stages of projects is critically important to verify fatal flaws."

— MARK WILLIAMS, STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT GROUP INC.



#### FIGURE 4

# PERCENTAGE IN AGREEMENT WITH SELECT STATEMENTS ON REAL ESTATE, BUILDINGS AND SITES

The location / quality of office space will significantly impact the future of office projects.

91%

Access to development-ready sites will significantly impact the future of industrial projects.

96%

Availability of industrial buildings will significantly impact the future of industrial projects.

34%





The state of real estate, sites and buildings is a tale of two industries. For instance, 96 percent of Guild members reported that access to development-ready sites will significantly impact the future and feasibility of industrial projects. Meanwhile, the change in workplace models to fully remote or hybrid ones has created an excess of office space, with a common sentiment being that much of the excess space will never be reabsorbed. Class B or C office spaces are likely to be the most negatively impacted because the quality and location of space directly impacts the ability to appeal to workers to return to the office.





# **Industrial Site Scarcity and Preparedness Impacts Project Timelines and Viability**

The demand for development-ready industrial sites with sufficient infrastructure capacity has never been higher due to an abundance of industrial investments spurred by the pandemic, geopolitical tensions, the rise of megaprojects and federal policies, such as the CHIPS Act and the IRA, and incentivizing investment in select industry sectors. Years of unabated growth have strained all resources — land, power, talent — to the extent that the time and cost required to prepare a site and begin construction is, at best, delaying timelines and, at worst, risking projects.

82%

of Guild members strongly agree that for industrial projects, the availability of development-ready sites with sufficient infrastructure capacity is the top location driver in 2024.



Because the availability of "development-ready sites" with sufficient utility capacity has become much more difficult to find, the weighting and timeline of the decision-making process has been affected." The search process has had to shift to conduct outreach to economic developers and utility providers on the availability of sites much earlier than when there were multiple site options. Site searches are occurring much earlier and then additional site criteria are being applied such as labor force, quality of life, training resources and availability of renewable energy sources.

Although all site criteria factors are critical to the final selection, the first screening must be to narrow the markets to only those that consultants know to have at least one viable candidate site that would be suitable for the proposed operation.

A spatial mismatch often results, however, as Guild members reported they are being forced to look further out from population centers and into Tier II or rural markets for available sites, which often can't meet a project's workforce requirements.





"Just as we saw a migration of agricultural and farm workers to urban areas in the late 1800s to support the second industrial revolution, we may see a reverse migration today with workers living in urban areas but commuting outside those areas to where the jobs are," Didi Caldwell, Global Location Strategies, said.

Internationally, and specifically in Europe, other conditions pose an even greater challenge to finding appropriate sites suitable for new projects. Andreas Dressler, Location Decisions, is experiencing similar site shortages across Europe.

"... It used to be just very big sites that were hard to find and now it's regular sites as well. There are a few reasons for that," he said. "One is we're geographically constrained ... European countries are much smaller and some countries just do not have any more land available for industrial uses. They're not going to rezone agricultural land because they need all of it to support public needs, and there is also increasing public opposition that is growing stronger. Aside from a few brownfield sites that have significant environmental remediation issues and would take a long time to get ready, there's just simply nothing available."

Guild members agreed that states and provinces are inadequately investing in infrastructure to address the lack of development-ready sites. Implementation of site certification programs is highly recommended and would provide a competitive advantage to locations that have these programs in place.



"The biggest challenge facing the industrial market is the lack of development-ready sites with desired available utility capacity. When utilities require upgrades to meet capacity needs, you are looking at a 24- to 36-month timeline for that to occur, which rarely meets a company's plant startup timeline these days. Everything is moving at a faster pace, so if you are a community that truly wants to attract new jobs and investment to your community, you must get your sites and infrastructure prepared ahead of these search inquiries. There is just no way around it."

- MICHELLE COMERFORD, BIGGINS LACY SHAPIRO & COMPANY

### FIGURE 5

INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS: AGREEMENT WITH SELECT STATEMENTS ON REAL ESTATE, BUILDINGS AND SITES (1 = DON'T AGREE, 5 = COMPLETELY AGREE)

Projects schedules are being delayed or cancelled due to a lack of industrial sites.

3.8

Site searches must occur much earlier in the process, and other criteria (labor, training, quality of life) are only considered when at least one acceptable site has been identified for the proposed operation.

3.7

All of the "best sites" are gone, requiring my clients to compromise on other location factors.

3.6

States and provinces are adequately investing in infrastructure to address the lack of sites and buildings.

2.7



### The Cost and Access to Capital Are Hindering Investment

Access to and the cost of capital compound the shortage of sites — and, in the case of some advisors, supersedes the importance of it. As inflation increased during the last several years, property acquisition and construction costs did as well, again impacting project scope and timelines.



44%

of Guild members strongly agree the cost of capital is a top factor impacting investment decisions in 2024.

"Financing is the single-biggest challenge facing the industrial market, second to developing a skill-based technical workforce."

—TOM STRINGER, BDO

Higher costs have impacted everything from land acquisition costs to construction costs to purchasing equipment to automated manufacturing operations. Higher interest rates also impact the market for U.S. manufactured goods.

"This squeeze between higher manufacturing costs and lower sales volume will push manufacturers to seek lower-cost locations, which are generally outside of the U.S." Jim Renzas, BCI Global, said.

According to Larry Gigerich, Ginovus: "The availability and cost of capital has had a material effect on the economy. We now have clients (outside of electric batteries and semiconductor chips that have benefited from federal incentive policies) that are now saying 'Let's invest less capital now, buy ourselves 18 to 24 months and then consider a larger project and investment down the road when it may be more affordable.""

While the high cost of capital impacts projects in North America, it might have an even more-profound impact among international enterprises and locations. Jan Desmaretz reported that "access and cost of capital are slowing down investment in Europe and Asia" as well.



# FIGURE 6 INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS: AGREEMENT WITH STATEMENTS ON ACCESS TO CAPITAL AND OPERATING COSTS [1 = DON'T AGREE, 5 = COMPLETELY AGREE]

The high cost of capital is stifling investment decisions and is resulting in project scope reductions, pauses, or cancellations.

3.9

My clients are increasingly looking at locations outside their home/domestic countries to reduce acquisition and construction costs.

3.0

My role as a site consultant has expanded to assist my clients in securing project financing.

2.6

Didi Caldwell, Global Location Strategies, said the high cost of capital in North America and globally has had the consequence of favoring investments by companies that have tried-and-true technologies and products with a proven revenue stream, and has put emerging or untested technology companies at a disadvantage, potentially squelching innovation and new technology. Projects with proven technologies funded by strong balance sheets, particularly in such high-value sectors as semiconductors and biopharma, will be the drivers of economic development activity in 2024, she added.

"... a lack of access to "easy money" has significantly extended the timeline for project decisions and companies have placed those efforts under a substantially enhanced level of internal scrutiny."

## Role of the Biden Administration's Federal Incentive Programs to Access Capital

The Biden administration's Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), and Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors (CHIPS) and Science Act are projected to allocate more than \$800 billion in funds to support sustained investments in climate solutions, reshore the semiconductor supply chain in the United States and improve national security by decreasing reliance on foreign countries, specifically China.

However, challenges have arisen when implementing these major economic development-centric policies, namely the CHIPS Act and the IRA, and mobilizing these funds.

"Simply put, the funding is not flowing," Tom Stringer, BDO, said. "The CHIPS Act appears to be strictly dedicated to the very large fabs with some minor dollars thrown in for smaller projects. It has not been the ecosystem-wide catalyst it was touted to be." At least, not yet.

60%

of Guild members strongly agree that the uncertainty of federal funding initiatives and incentives — such as CHIPS and Science Act and IRA — is impacting operational planning and resulting in project delays or cancellations.



Despite challenges with the allocation of funds through the U.S. Federal Incentive Programs, comparatively, the EU — through the NextGen EU recovery fund — is struggling to a greater degree to connect companies with state financing. Due to a decentralized structure and to stipulations on the disbursement of funds, EU companies have had significant difficulties accessing the funds, which has hindered EU manufacturers' investment at home. In contrast, **the scale** and accessibility of funding in the United States has led to major European manufacturers, such as Volkswagen, BMW, Enel and Norwegian battery group Freyr, choosing to prioritize investments in the United States.

# 48%

of Guild members strongly agree that the volume and scale of office projects will never return to prepandemic levels.

## Office Projects Are Not Likely to Return to Pre-Pandemic Levels, but Niche Opportunities Exist

The office market is facing its own set of unique challenges: too much capacity. As a result of highly visible changes in workplace models stemming from the pandemic, a worldwide "massive glut" of office space exists, especially in the United States.

"Office projects will never go back to the same size and scope as it was prior to the pandemic," Stringer said. "Technology, costs and worker preferences will not go backward ... [and] all of that leverage is going against traditional office environments. [Office] projects will be smaller, [will be] less influential in economic impact and [will] receive smaller incentives."

Guild members are pragmatic in their assessment of the office market. Based on the pandemic's disruptions, the office market might be in uncharted waters — not snapping back to normal market capacity after a large, disruptive event in which some permanent changes have set in. Companies are leasing less space when their existing leases expire and using office space differently.

"It is a flight to quality space and locating somewhere with strong quality-of-place amenities to help draw talent in," Gigerich said. "It's a paradox: Because much of the workforce still has the flexibility to work remotely and/or split time between home and the office, the location of the office is less relevant to talent attraction and retention. But for companies fighting to lure people back into the office, the location and appeal of the space become supremely relevant."

— TRACEY HYATT BOSMAN, BIGGINS LACY SHAPIRO & COMPANY

Despite this sobering view, office project activity is occurring, primarily consolidations, albeit at a smaller scale and volume and in select niche sectors.

"Office location projects are all about consolidation and density and moving functions to higher-quality space to retain the talent we need, aspire to, and will develop for the future," with skills now in Internet of Things (IOT), Al and cybersecurity outpacing general software developers, Bob Hess, Newmark, said.

Hess adds that because of the tech sector's layoffs, larger companies are, in some cases, targeting growth and expansion opportunities in lower-cost international regions, possibly where they currently operate. Meanwhile, midsize companies are considering relocating or identifying a new hub for talent, as a cost-saving measure or to retain existing employees.



Guild members reported other notable and positive trends that bode well for the office market, especially movement among not-for-profit agencies or organizations and niche sector companies with strong R&D functions, an innovation focus or both and are investing in pilot space. Investment among these niche sectors is occurring primarily in Tier I metro areas that have a strong university presence, a diverse population and strong quality-of-life assets. Tier II and III metros, meanwhile, are still commanding occasional consolidation and expansion projects but, again, at a smaller volume than previously seen before the pandemic.

Given the current climate for office projects, a common question is: What can communities do with the surplus of office space in their regions? The common theme among Guild members is to "be creative." Because a shortage of housing stock at all levels is a key pain point for employers, conversion of office space to housing was a common recommendation, while recognizing this is very challenging, generally, and unfeasible in many buildings. Guild members identified retrofitting space for incubators, last-mile distribution space, lab space, training space, makers space and educational institutions (including elementary and high schools, in some cases) as potential scenarios.

#### **Considerations from Guild Members on Office Reuse**

Look at conversion to residential, co-working or hotel space, [and] creative re-use to include entertainment, cultural, maker space, innovation hubs [and] technical upskilling and schools.

Consider purchasing and providing highly discounted space for projects looking to relocate from higher-cost locations and leases ... [and those that are looking to relocate jobs are looking for cost bargains]. Incent the conversion of vacant properties to other uses.

Consider redevelopment opportunities for office buildings that are Class B or lower into, for instance, affordable housing, last-mile distribution, lab space and educational institutions. For Class A buildings, provide them with amenities that create a quality, unique development. In extreme cases, redevelopment might require demolishing existing structures and repurposing the sites.

Engage local developers for brainstorming ideas and potentially gain their interest. I have heard of some places retrofitting office buildings to housing, workforce training facilities, community space and hybrid coworking space.

Be proactive when evaluating and understanding alternative uses, holistically. You can't just change from office to residential without residential infrastructure intact to support a changing-use profi 153



## The State of Utilities and Infrastructure

#### The Guild's Take

- Large industrial projects face a significant challenge of meeting their energy demands, and 98 percent of Guild members believe access to sufficient electric capacity will significantly impact the future of industrial projects.
- The strain on electric grids in the United States has
  intensified due to U.S. investment in domestic manufacturing
  backed by the IIJA, the IRA and the CHIPS and Science Act,
  initiatives which have resulted in construction spending on
  new manufacturing facilities more than doubling from 2022
  to 2023 in such industries as data centers, electric vehicles,
  battery plants and semiconductors.
- Globally, governments and utilities need to add or replace the equivalent of virtually all the world's power grids by 2040 to shore up reliability.

Nearly impossible to uncouple with the importance of developable sites is the challenge of meeting the energy demands of large industrial projects and sufficient water resources.





"The rise of the megaproject, which can require hundreds of megawatts of electricity, has put a strain on North American grids," Caldwell said. "To meet this demand, the U.S. needs to increase electricity generation by around 50 percent, and that doesn't include the additional demand from an electrified automobile fleet. With a shortage of everything from transformers to large logs for power poles, it will require more investment in electricity generation from hydrocarbons."

Echoing Caldwell's assessment, Guild colleagues place electric power capacity as the top factor impacting the future of industrial projects, followed closely by site availability and access to talent.

"High energy demands with many of the EV/ clean fuel/semiconductor projects, along with the transition away from carbon-based generation, are causing a significant stress on the grid causing delays in project timelines."

—JOHN LONGSHORE, NEWMARK

# FIGURE 7 FACTORS MOST IMPACTING INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS (1 = NO IMPACT, 5 = SIGNIFICANT IMPACT)

Electric power capacity
4.7
Access to development-ready sites
4.6
Access to tolont
Access to talent
4.5
Supply chain risk
4.0
Lead time required for construction materials, power transformers, etc.
4.0
Water supply
4.0
Cost of labor
3.8
Cost of financing / access to capital
3.5
Availability of buildings
3.2

## FIGURE 8 PERCENTAGE IN AGREEMENT THAT UTILITIES WILL SIGNIFICANTLY IMPACT THE FUTURE OF INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS

Electric power capacity will significantly impact the future of industrial projects.

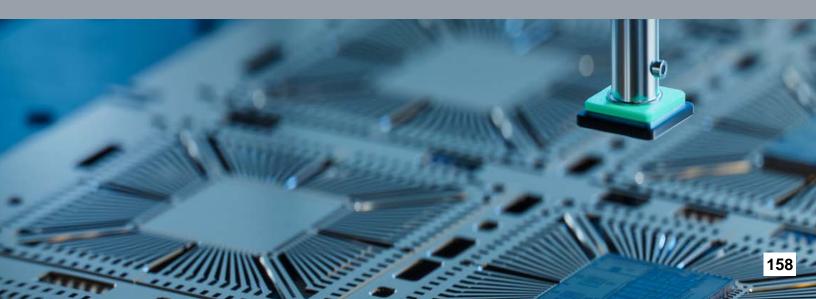
98%

Water supply will significantly impact the future of industrial projects.

**79**%

The rapid adoption of GenAI-related tools across many industries has accelerated the growing demand for digital services and data centers, which is driving up power usage and density. Data center electricity consumption was 2.5 percent of the U.S. total in 2022 and is expected to triple by 2030.

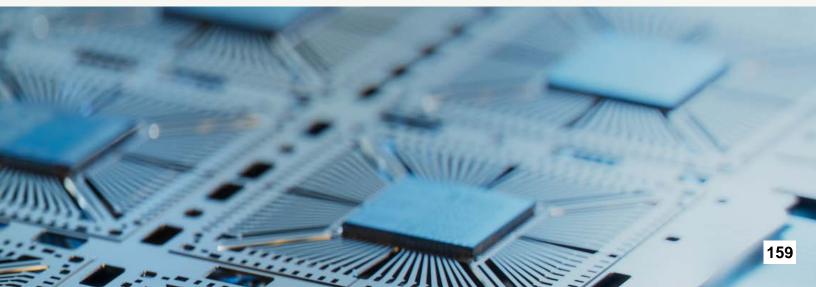
Source: Boston Consulting Group



The increased demand for electricity generation has been spurred by an increase in investment in industries, including data centers — to support the AI and crypto industries — semiconductors and electric vehicles and other growth sector industries.

U.S. construction spending on new manufacturing facilities in these and other industries more than doubled from 2022 to 2023, with companies spending, on average, \$16.2 billion a month to build new production facilities. This investment in domestic manufacturing was largely stimulated by the current administration's IIJA, IRA and CHIPS and Science Act (see Figure 9).<sup>2</sup> This resulting investment by companies in response to these policies is creating additional pressures on an already-strained electric grid, and without upgrades, the Biden administration's goal of bringing a range of renewable energy projects online and reaching 100 percent clean electricity by 2035 may not be attainable.

<sup>2</sup> https://www.atlanticcouncil.org/blogs/econographics/the-ira-and-chips-act-are-supercharging-us-manufacturing-construction/



**FIGURE 9**CONSTRUCTION AND MANUFACTURING SPENDING IN THE EU VERSUS U.S.

#### **Total Manufacturing Construction Spending**



Source: Eurostat, FRED, Author's calculations • 2015 = 0

"So many projects have required massive amounts of electric power and often other utilities, which has strained capacity in nearly all locations that are typically attractive to manufacturers. ... Lengthy waits to get transformers — sometimes quoted at 36 months now — quickly eliminates otherwise top locations. Smaller to midsized projects, which could become the norm again after this big push on electric vehicles, semiconductors and solar production abates, are a bit less impacted and have more choices, but the capacity constraints will still affect their choices and certainly their costs."

- PHIL SCHNEIDER, SCHNEIDER STRATEGY CONSULTING LLC

#### FIGURE 10

## LEVEL OF AGREEMENT WITH SELECT STATEMENTS ON UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Widespread electrification and demand for renewable energy sources has challenged areas with strained electric power grids and limited generation capabilities.

4.5

States where there are rising risks of utility disruptions (from climate/weather events, public mandates, or system failures) will be at a distinct disadvantage when competing for projects.

4.4

My clients are talking about sustainable/renewable energy, but it is not changing their location decision-making.

2.5

I am seeing a decrease in the requirements for green, sustainable energy production among my clients.



Again, insufficient electric capacity is not exclusive to the United States; Europe and Asia are inhibited by antiquated, small and centralized grid infrastructures in many locales. According to the International Energy Association, governments and utilities need to add or replace the equivalent of virtually all the world's power grids by 2040 to shore up reliability. That equates to 80 million kilometers (nearly 50 million miles) of infrastructure that needs a major upgrade. Guild members and their clients are seeing some efforts being made to address reliability however, there is wide variability across countries, states, and provinces, and between investor-owned and publicly-regulated utilities, to address these massive challenges to support electrification and industrial development goals.

"The recent boom in megaprojects clearly focused on large site availability and utilities, especially electricity. My manufacturing clients almost always start with logistics and utility infrastructure. Foreign clients often include port and/or air access. Skilled workforce then is critical."

—JERRY SZATAN, SZATAN & ASSOCIATES

## Building grids requires secure supply chains and a skilled workforce; however, needs differ drastically by region.

The financial health of utilities is a central challenge in some countries, including India, Indonesia and Korea. Meanwhile, the high cost of capital and access to finance are key barriers in many emerging markets and developing economies, particularly in Sub-Saharan Africa. For other jurisdictions, such as Europe, the United States, Chile and Japan, the strongest barriers are public acceptance of new projects and the need for regulatory reform.

"The biggest challenges facing the industrial market in Asia are the same as I hear from my fellow Guild members in other parts of the world — everything. [There's a] lack of high-quality, investment-ready sites that are properly titled and zoned. The larger the site, the more difficult it is to find. If there are large utility needs — electricity, natural gas, water and wastewater — on top of large real estate requirements, [then] it doubles or triples the difficulty of finding the site. Electricity capacity, particularly renewable energy availability, is a significant constraint to project schedules."

- DENNIS MESEROLL, TRACTUS ASIA LIMITED





# The State of Natural, Human and Geopolitical Risk

#### The Guild's Take

- Although the increased frequency and intensity of extremeweather events are impacting where executives will locate facilities, of even greater concern is the impact these events have on an already-vulnerable electric grid.
- Global geopolitical conflict is resulting in more investment in North America but not always in the United States;
   Mexico and Canada are growing beneficiaries of nearshoring, friendshoring and reshoring activity.
- Human and social crises, including crime, wars and terrorism, will also impact location decisions, particularly when they influence the ability to recruit and retain talent.
- Geopolitical, manmade and human risks are posing threats to the global supply chain.

The definition of risk has expanded and evolved during the last several years. While some risk is inherent in any decision, Guild members, in response, have also had to expand and evolve their analyses and modeling to account for new and emerging factors and to mitigate as operational and financial risk and liability for their clients. Although the future is impossible to predict, the one certainty is that all conditions that contribute to the concept of risk will continue to change, as will how companies and their advisors respond.

## Climate Change and Extreme-Weather Events Are Challenging an Already-Vulnerable Electric Grid

Even from two years ago, the frequency, intensity and duration of extreme-weather events has continued to grow. Climate change — which impacts the frequency and duration of wildfires and consists of extreme heat and cold, flooding and severe storms — is devastating to communities on a variety of levels and notably increases the concern over the impact on an already-vulnerable electric grid. The current antiquated grid is unequipped to handle the new demand and to withstand increased natural disasters and extreme-weather events. Older equipment will overload during extreme heat and cold — times when electric power is needed most. Compounding the problem, the grid is also more likely to fail during floods and strong storms.

According to Guild members, the assessment of natural hazard risk has expanded to include all climate change-related events — rising sea levels, flooding, wildfires and associated smoke-events and extreme heat and cold. These factors are impacting where clients will locate facilities. Additionally, companies worldwide and in all industry sectors have set ambitious carbon emission goals, which have also increased the importance of sustainable energy sources. The impact of natural and environmental risk is not specific to one industry or function. In fact, Guild members reported office employers are more likely to weight climate change-related impacts in their location decision-making.

#### FIGURE 11

INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS: AGREEMENT WITH STATEMENTS ON NATURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL RISK (1 = DON'T AGREE, 5 = COMPLETELY AGREE)

Natural hazard risk assessment has expanded beyond the usual hurricane and tornado concerns to include more climate change considerations such as sea level rise, more frequent flood events, drought, forest fire, extreme heat, etc.

4.1

Climate change is impacting where my clients will locate their facilities.

3.6

My clients are talking about sustainable/renewable energy, but it is not changing their location decision-making.

2.5

#### FIGURE 12

OFFICE PROJECTS: AGREEMENT WITH STATEMENTS ON NATURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL RISK (1 = DON'T AGREE, 5 = COMPLETELY AGREE)

Climate change is impacting where my clients will locate their facilities.

4.3

Natural hazard risk assessment has expanded beyond the usual hurricane and tornado concerns to include more climate change considerations such as sea level rise, more frequent flood events, drought, forest fire, extreme heat, etc.

## 100%

of Guild members reported that social and geopolitical hazards — such as crime, terrorism and wars — will play a role in where clients will locate their facilities.

Meanwhile, human and social risks are also impacting location decisions because these threats play a role in the ability to attract and retain talent. In particular, clients are being increasingly attentive to safety and crime rates and other personal risks in their decision to relocate. If those factors are important to talent, then they are important to companies trying to attract and retain talent, particularly if trying to get workers back to the office.

Cost of living
8.3
Housing availability
8.2
Housing cost
8.2
Safety/crime rates
8.1
Ability to live/work/play in one location without a long commute
7.9
Welcoming/friendly local population
7.9

## Geopolitical Risk Is Creating More Investment Opportunities in North America, including the U.S., Canada and Mexico

#### FIGURE 13

OFFICE PROJECTS: AGREEMENT WITH STATEMENTS ON NATURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL RISK (1 = DON'T AGREE, 5 = COMPLETELY AGREE)

Geopolitical risk is resulting in higher rates of nearshoring / onshoring / friendshoring.

84%

Projects considering a U.S. location are being postponed until the outcome of the U.S. presidential election is known.

20%

The United States is considered a more risky location to invest in than it was a decade ago.

**16**%

"Project activity is usually down during election years, and this year will be no exception, particularly FDI. A key element of U.S. federal policies during the last few years has been spending commitments through the Chips Act, IRA and Transportation bill. It will be interesting to see how much of this funding is awarded before the presidential election in November. It is estimated that 80 percent of awards will be in Republican districts."

— MARK WILLIAMS, STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT GROUP INC.

While not diminishing other risk factors, Guild members overwhelmingly weighted geopolitical risk as one of the top factors impacting location decisions going forward. Floundering economies in Europe and Asia, global conflicts and wars and a jaw-dropping number of political elections being held this year are contributing to a perception of greater instability and putting corporate executives and their advisors on edge. Some of the global geopolitical risk factors at play are:

- While, by most accounts, the U.S. economy has achieved a
   "soft landing," other economies are not faring as well. Japan,
   the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Ireland, Germany and
   other countries are in a recession or are facing a substantial
   risk of recession due to heightened geopolitical risk and high
   energy costs.
- Real and perceived national security and economic threats
  from China and Russia have resulted in persistent trade
  tensions and investment hesitancy. Faced with combined
  economic pressure and national security concerns, the Biden
  administration's adopted industrial policies demonstrate a
  protectionist bent and investment into strategic industries
  that attempt to alleviate these geopolitical stressors through
  reshoring and nearshoring.
- Forty national elections are being held this year including elections for eight of the world's 10 most-populated nations which will send more than half of the world's population to the polls. Election results potentially could cause a rebalancing of political power among key strategic global partners.

### Countries with more than half of the world's population will hold elections in 2024



**India** (1.4 Billion)



**United States** (342 Million)



**Indonesia** (280 million)



Pakistan (245 Million)



**Brazil** (218 Million)



**Bangladesh** (175 Million)



**Russia** (144 Million)



**Mexico** (129 Million)



**Turkey** (86 Million)



**United Kingdom** (68 Million)

"I definitely agree that companies abhor risk, and the convergence of global election cycles this year has created the perfect storm of political risk as the outcomes of so many of these elections are uncertain."

— DENNIS MESEROLL, TRACTUS ASIA LIMITED

"If Trump gets elected, it's hard to imagine that he'll not try to gut the IRA. So, the funding for our clean energy projects — which many of our clients are depending on to make their projects financially feasible — will be compromised. If Biden is elected, I assume he'll stay the course."

- MATT RYDER, AVISON YOUNG

The U.S. presidential election, which presumably will be a rematch between former President Trump and President Biden, is being closely watched across the globe. Policy ramifications will impact the economic development climate regardless of the outcome.

Depending on the outcome of the U.S. presidential election, there are a variety of potential outcomes including more significant trade restrictions and tariffs which could significantly impact the site selection industry.

Increasingly negative views of China are also driving a significant share of concerns about geopolitical risk, which has intensified in the United States in recent years. A recent Pew Research Center American Trends Survey shows that 50 percent of Americans consider China to be the greatest threat facing the nation. Among those Americans who name China as the greatest threat, about three-quarters of them say China poses a **great deal** of threat to America's economy and its national security. In partial response to this sentiment was the federal legislation aimed at increasing semiconductor chip manufacturing in America to confront global supply chain issues and counter China's growing influence. The projected fall-off in U.S.-China trade is one of the most-significant developments in the updated global trade map, with 2032's trade value forecast to fall \$197 billion from its 2022 level.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://www.bcg.com/publications/2024/jobs-national-security-and-future-of-trade

Many Americans also see Russia as posing at least a fair amount of threat to the U.S. economy and national security. Only 36 percent of Americans who consider Russia to be America's primary international threat say it poses a great deal of threat to the U.S. economy; 66 percent of Americans who see Russia as the top threat say it poses a great deal of threat to U.S. national security.

From a regional perspective, Southeast Asian nations, as well as India, are among the biggest winners in the shuffle for a new world trade dynamic, according to Dennis Meseroll. He said both areas are attractive due to capable workforces, generally stable and neutral political views and cost competitiveness.

Given this global context, the United States is still considered to be a safe and stable location for investment.

"If you put yourself in the position of a large European multinational, say a German multinational, that over the last decade or two has really increased its presence in places like China or Russia ... [then] all of a sudden that revenue is gone in some cases or is politically risky or just declining," Andreas Dressler, Location Decisions, said. "Companies are looking around, looking for places to find predictable and stable markets from a size or sales perspective. One of the top places they're turning to, no surprise, is the U.S. or North America in general. There is a lot more interest in the U.S. as well as Canada and Mexico because they are very stable markets with little or no political risk."

## **74%**

of Guild members strongly agree that risks inherent to the global supply chain will significantly impact future industrial projects. Chris Lloyd, McGuireWoods Consulting LLC, concurred. "The U.S., but also Canada and some degree Mexico, are seen as safe and predictable markets for investment in a time of unprecedented global turmoil and conflict. While each of these markets has challenges, the opportunities there are unparalleled, driven by growing populations, available energy, government policies encouraging economic investment and generally free trade among them."

## Natural, Human and Geopolitical Risks Threaten the Security of Global Supply Chains

The aforementioned risk factors are also having a profound impact on the stability and security of global supply chains. Beyond geopolitical risks, global manufacturing networks are being disrupted by the threat of both natural and human hazards, including pandemics, natural disasters and criminal activity, such as cartels, pirates and terrorists.

In response, companies will continue to diversify their sourcing and manufacturing networks by expanding to markets that have a lower geopolitical risk, have a reliable infrastructure and are in closer proximity to end markets. The continued falloff in trade between the United States and China will result in companies exploring and expanding to locations that will allow them to rebalance their risk exposure.

#### FIGURE 14

INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS: AGREEMENT WITH STATEMENTS ON SUPPLY CHAINS AND LOGISTICS (1 = DON'T AGREE, 5 = COMPLETELY AGREE)



The depth in which my clients are analyzing all aspects of their supply chain to ensure redundancy and alternatives has increased.

4.5

North American manufacturers are increasingly bringing production back to the U.S., Canada, and Mexico/Latin America to reduce their reliance on Asian supply chains.

4.0

My clients are increasingly looking at locations outside their home/domestic countries to extend their supply chains.

3.8



### The State of the Workforce

#### The Guild's Take

- A shortage of construction and manufacturing workers is reaching a critical level and has the potential to derail the industries and companies that are critical to President Biden's industrial agenda and new industrial strategies being pursued by countries around the world.
- Greatest declines in job postings include software, IT, finance, marketing and media, all of which experienced an uptick in layoffs, indicating a rebalancing of the white-collar workforce.
- Following the trends of the "great resignation" and "quiet quitting," the push and pull between workers and employers appears to be balancing out in the office sector, with fewer employees quitting and employers posting fewer available jobs.
- Immigration policies and insufficient worker training and retraining programs continue to compound workforce shortages.
- DEI initiatives remain an important component of attracting and retaining workers.

The world's supply and demand of labor certainly is in a "new normal." A perfect storm of irreversible demographic conditions, immigration policy, labor force participation and demand-supply imbalance for certain skills continues to challenge employers and their advisors. And new and emerging global trends have added to the complexity of the talent landscape. However, evidence shows that the labor force is stabilizing — particularly in the office sector — after pandemic-sustained disruptions.



And after a surge during 2021 and 2022, the U.S. "quits" rate has returned to pre-pandemic levels. The decline in quitting means employers will, in part, fill open roles from the unemployed instead of the churn from employed workers. This could mean employers no longer will need to offer big pay raises or financial bonuses to lure candidates from competitors, which will help slow wage growth further and cool inflation. While there is still agreement among Guild members that the cost of labor will significantly impact the future of projects, indicators show the jobs market will continue to stabilize during the upcoming year.

#### FIGURE 15

PERCENTAGE IN AGREEMENT THAT COST OF LABOR WILL SIGNIFICANTLY IMPACT THE FUTURE OF PROJECTS BY PROJECT TYPE (OFFICE VERSUS INDUSTRIAL)

The cost of labor will significantly impact the future of office projects.

**82**%

The cost of labor will significantly impact the future of industrial projects.

62%

### A Shortage of Industrial and Construction Workers Threatens U.S. Industrial Policies

A notable change since the 2022 edition of the "The State of Site Selection" is the weight consultants place on workforce resources by sector specialization. In 2022, only 4 percent of Guild members specializing in industrial projects cited talent as the most-important factor in their location projects versus 100 percent of consultants specializing in office projects. Although developable sites with suitable infrastructure are the primary screening factor, in 2024, **91 percent of Guild members strongly agree that access to talent will significantly impact the future of industrial projects.** 

#### FIGURE 16

PERCENTAGE IN AGREEMENT THAT ACCESS TO TALENT WILL SIGNIFICANTLY IMPACT THE FUTURE OF PROJECTS BY PROJECT TYPE

Access to talent will significantly impact the future of office projects.

100%

Access to talent will significantly impact the future of industrial projects.

91%

As seen in Figure 17, the availability of talent is nearly on par with the importance of site availability and electric power capacity when siting industrial projects. In addition to the sites and infrastructure required, the availability of labor is a significant roadblock to the U.S. agenda of restoring and reshoring manufacturing. And due to the expansion of manufacturing during the last few years, additional pressure has been put on the already-tight skilled and unskilled trades labor force.

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistic's Job Openings and Labor Turnover Survey (JOLTS), 601,000 manufacturing jobs and nearly 450,000 construction jobs were open in December 2023. Although U.S. employment is hovering at 3.9 percent, the shortage of workers in these occupations jeopardizes the future of U.S. industrial incentive programs and policies and cannot be fixed easily or quickly. One example of a remedial step toward addressing this issue is a federal grant in the amount of \$10 million recently awarded to GlobalFoundries to support its more than \$60 million in investment to train new workers for the semiconductor industry and to address the lack of trained workers in this industry. Again, solving the workforce issue for chipmakers will take significant resources and public and private partnerships.<sup>4</sup>

Currently, according to Guild members, government programs for new-worker training and retraining to meet current workforce demands are insufficient. While increasing automation of work processes will be another end goal to address skill shortages, skilled human resources will be needed to design, build, operate and train others on these new processes and systems.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>https://www.nytimes.com/2024/02/19/business/economy/biden-administration-1-5-billion-chipmaker-globalfoundries.html

# FIGURE 17

INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS: AGREEMENT WITH STATEMENTS ON WORKFORCE/LABOR AVAILABILITY (1 = DON'T AGREE, 5 = COMPLETELY AGREE)

Talent shortages are a global issue (and are not limited to just U.S. locations).

4.0

Increasing automation of work processes, AI and machine learning is fundamentally changing workforce skills and requirements.

3.9

Immigration policies are a major constraint to filling the talent pipeline that is required now and in the future.

3.5

With talent at a premium and labor availability at an all-time low, economic development groups are pursuing less labor intensive/more capital-intensive projects.

3.0

Government programs for new worker training and employee retraining are sufficient for the current demands of industrial projects.

**2.**1



#### A Rebalancing of the Office Workforce

According to Guild members, access to talent continues to be the top priority impacting the future of office projects although shortages persist. Yet, while office employers will continue to need to fill openings, mounting evidence shows white-collar workers have less leverage now than since the pandemic-led reshuffling of the workforce. Although the tight market will continue to face long-term worker shortages, data show workers are less confident that they will find a new job offering significantly higher compensation and are, therefore, less likely to quit their existing job. This factor could impact ongoing debates pertaining to return-to-office mandates and could put employers back in a position of power. Employers' demands to return to the office is more likely if their workforce has fewer options now than versus a few years ago.

Although workers might have less bargaining position now versus immediately after the pandemic, long-term demographic indicators, coupled with a seemingly permanent shift in workplace models, show that employers will still need to be deliberate about their hiring practices to attract and retain the talent needed.



# FIGURE 18 FACTORS MOST IMPACTING OFFICE PROJECTS (1 = NO IMPACT, 5 = SIGNIFICANT IMPACT)

Access to talent

4.7

**Location** / attractiveness of office space

4.4

Cost of labor

4.1

Lease rates / operating costs

3.9

Artificial intelligence / automation / machine learning

3.6

Political / social climate

3.5

Cost of financing / access to capital

3.0

"We tend to talk about industrial projects more these days because that is [the] job-creation engine, but there is plenty of location strategy consulting going on in tech and office, too.... These location decisions are more about cost reduction, consolidation and dealing with a post-Covid world of how people work."

— BOB HESS, NEWMARK

Certain office functions and sectors are being impacted more than others, with the tech sector, in particular, showing a notable rebalancing. According to job-posting data, the office-related sectors with the greatest declines in postings are software, IT, finance, marketing and media, all of which experienced an uptick in layoff reports and decreased investment. Additionally, data provided by Newmark show some shocks to the tech workforce: Many operations plan to increase offshoring of their back-office and software development functions and finding other ways to cut operating costs to satisfy shareholders' demands and diversify their footprint.

- During 2023, about 1,000 tech companies eliminated nearly 260,000 roles, resulting in the worst year for tech layoffs since the dot-com bust in the early 2000s.
- During January 2024, U.S. tech companies announced 25,000 layoffs as a part of strategic adjustments.
- Larger companies remain cash-heavy and profitable but are targeting a reduction in middle managers to flatten the organization and increase agility and efficiencies. Cost-cutting measures will drive up stock prices and satisfy shareholders.
- Midsized companies are adjusting to account for their postpandemic over-hiring.
- Smaller startups are struggling for cash to grow strategically because of the higher cost of capital and higher interest rates.

### FIGURE 19

OFFICE PROJECTS: AGREEMENT WITH STATEMENTS ON WORKFORCE/LABOR AVAILABILITY (1 = DON'T AGREE, 5 = COMPLETELY AGREE)

Talent shortages are a global issue (and are not limited to just U.S. locations).

4.1

The availability of quality talent is the single-most important consideration in office projects.

4.0

Immigration policies are a major constraint to filling the talent pipeline that is required now and in the future.

3.9

Increasing automation of work processes, AI, and machine learning are fundamentally changing workforce skills and requirements.

3.0

With the ability to rely on remote talent, identifying large pools of available labor is not a top factor for typical office projects.

2.1



#### **DEI and Its Impact on Talent Attraction and Retention**

Diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) initiatives at the enterprise and community level positively impact the ability to attract and retain talent. Guild members reported that clients — in office functions, in particular — are more attentive to the composition of their workforce and potential talent pools and are requesting more information during their location-evaluation process.

The important metrics and data for economic development organizations to benchmark include:

- Demographics by race, ethnicity, gender, religion and socioeconomic levels
- Presence of culturally and ethnically diverse businesses
- Immigration data
- Community leadership profiles
- K-12 student and teacher diversity
- Details and news coverage about community initiatives

Even for communities that are not particularly diverse in their racial and ethnic makeup, demonstrating a commitment to DEI through local policies and initiatives can play a critical role in helping a community differentiate itself and compete more effectively against other locations.

# FIGURE 20

PERCENTAGE IN AGREEMENT WITH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT AND PLACEMAKING (1 = DON'T AGREE, 5 = COMPLETELY AGREE)

My clients are requesting more diversity information in our location evaluation process.

4.7

Locations with relatively low racial and ethnic diversity are at risk of disqualification during location screening because diversity is used as a primary / first-stage elimination factor.

4.0



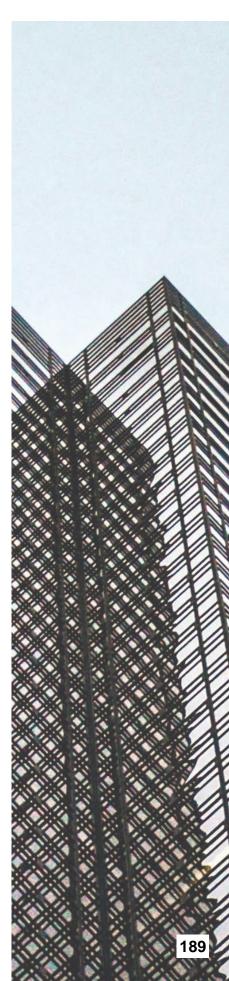


# The State of Economic Development and Placemaking

#### The Guild's Take

- Economic development organizations facing internal and external pressure are, in many instances, becoming more selective of the types of projects they will pursue.
- Housing availability, access to childcare and the limited capacity of community resources are playing a role on where companies will locate facilities.
- Geopolitical sentiment is resulting in a pushback on projects originating from certain countries.

In the context of external global forces, economic development organizations (EDOs) are facing internal pressures. Due to the scarcity of talent and resources, 81 percent of Guild members reported that EDOs are becoming more selective about the types of projects they will pursue. This factor is adding another layer of complexity to site and location evaluations: Some Guild members reported that more public scrutiny and engagement in site selection exists now than ever before, which is resulting in some site selectors marketing to EDOs, rather than the reverse occurring.



# FIGURE 21 PERCENTAGE IN AGREEMENT WITH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT AND PLACEMAKING

Economic development organizations are more selective of the types of projects they will pursue or support.

81%

The integration of community development (building community assets and institutions including housing, childcare, etc.) and economic development (creating economic opportunity) is becoming more important.

74%

There has been a shift in public opinion / less support for location projects.

35%



The selectivity in the types of projects pursued by communities is, in part, driven by local resource scarcities, namely community assets, housing and childcare, with 74 percent of Guild members reporting that the integration of community development and economic development is becoming increasingly important.

"Social factors such as adequate supply of affordable housing, public transit and healthcare resources are rivaling the factors traditionally associated with corporate location decisions. The most competitive markets are those bringing community and economic development initiatives together."

— GREGG WASSMANSDORF, NEWMARK

#### FIGURE 22

IMPACT OF COMMUNITY ASSET CAPACITY ON LOCATION DECISIONS (1 = NO IMPACT, 5 = SIGNIFICANT IMPACT)

The availability of housing at all levels has impacted where my clients are able to locate their facilities.

3.7

Access to childcare is a factor in my clients' location decisions.

3.7

"Our clients are always asking us on site tours to 'show me the rooftops of my workforce.' Well, we can't with great confidence because all the great sites in large metros and suburban and even exurban regions are taken up or [are] infrastructure challenged. So, now we are out in greenfield areas, micropolitan if not rural areas, and have to think about placemaking ... and where the amenities have to fill in. Who pays for that? It has to be a public and private partnership to address this serious issue of [high-end, mid-income and affordable] housing."



— BOB HESS, NEWMARK

Because of the impact on local communities and the sentiment toward external forces, the court of public opinion is also increasingly dictating the types of investments a community should approve, with residents and stakeholders either welcoming or pushing back on certain types of investments originating from certain world regions. For example, more than 24 states have proposed or enacted legislation that restricts Chinese purchases of land, buildings and houses in the United States due to national security. Guild members reported this factor is putting economic developers — who are tasked with growing capital investment in their service areas — in a challenging position.

Unchecked sentiment could have a widespread impact: Guild members reported the political climate and legislation play a role in location decisions and companies are increasingly looking for locations that match their corporate values. Additionally, many Chinese companies have technologies that are integral to innovation and transformation in many industries, so broadbrush restrictions on Chinese investment and collaborations will also carry risks and challenges to be managed.

### FIGURE 23

AGREEMENT WITH STATEMENTS ON POLITICAL POLICIES AND LEGISLATION (1 = DON'T AGREE, 5 = COMPLETELY AGREE)



**INDUSTRIAL** 



**OFFICE** 

The political climate of a country, state/province, or metro will impact talent attraction efforts.

80%

80%

Companies are increasingly trying to match their corporate values with the social and/or political climate of the locations they are considering for new or expanded facilities.

80%

40%

There is a great deal of "chatter" around recent legislation and political climate but few companies are weighting it differently during the location process.



30%



# Summing It Up and Looking Forward

Although the future is impossible to predict, if the past four years since the first edition of "The State of Site Selection" is any indicator, then the site selection process will become only more complex. While some Guild members argue that we are experiencing a return to the "basics" or a reweighting of and a refocusing on the project fundamentals of land, labor, infrastructure and capital, external global forces — geopolitical, social and economic — are requiring the evaluation of the fundamentals in an entirely new context.

The concept of risk has expanded and evolved, which has a direct impact on the scale, location, timing and volume of corporate investment. Because of the redefined concept of risk, coupled with ongoing scarcities, site selectors and corporate executives must partner effectively with economic development organizations.

As members of the Site Selectors Guild, corporate executives and EDOs continue to prepare for new challenges and issues, we look forward to reporting on best and next practices in future editions of "The State of Site Selection."





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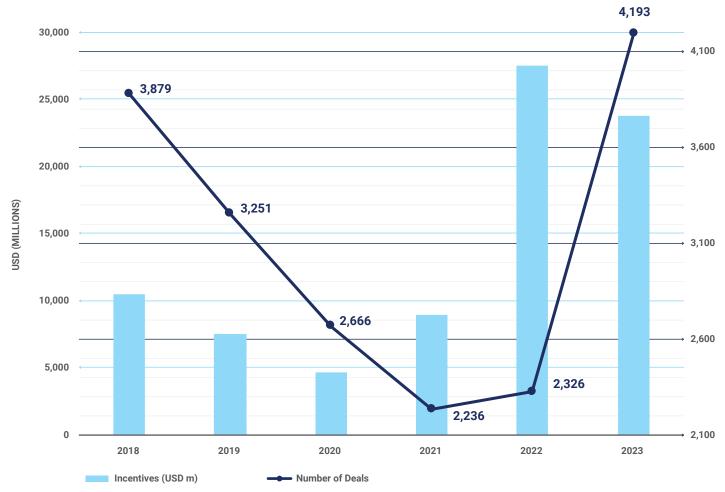




#### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE MARKET TRENDS**

In 2023, the number of reported economic incentive awards increased significantly from the prior year and was higher than the number of reported awards in 2018. The total value of economic incentives awarded of \$23.7 billion was slightly less than in 2022, but still much higher than in recent years. The basis for the continued growth of overall value of economic incentive awards continues to be tied primarily to renewable energy and other investments spurred by the IRA such as electric vehicles and/or electric vehicle battery manufacturing, semiconductor manufacturing, and steel manufacturing. Nearly half of the \$23.7 billion of incentives announced in 2023 were derived from these types of projects. In addition, proof that the mega project trend continues, the six largest awards in 2023 accounted for \$10.6 billion of incentives awards.

#### **TOTAL ECONOMIC INCENTIVES AWARDED (2018-2023)**



Source: IncentivesFlow, a Service from FDI Intelligence



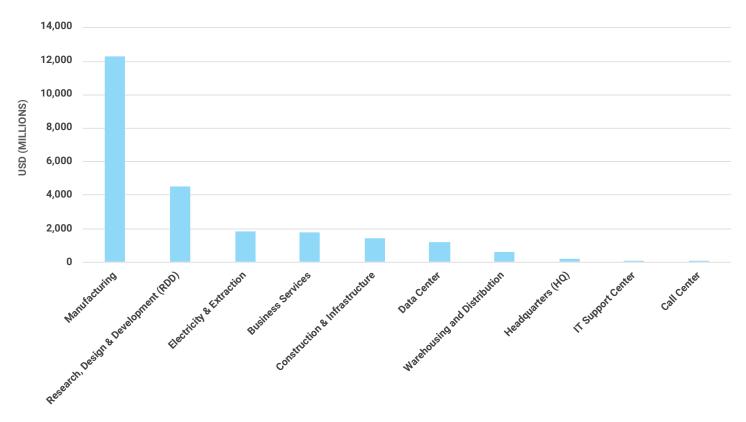


#### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVES BY PROJECT TYPE**

The magnitude of economic incentives varies greatly by project type. Capital intensive projects such as manufacturing and infrastructure projects typically receive the greatest amount of economic incentives as they are heavily incentivized by property tax abatements and infrastructure grants. Conversely, employee intensive operations such as headquarters and business services are primarily incentivized by tax credits, training subsidies and cash grants which are typically valued less overall due to lower capital investment.

Not surprisingly based on the type of projects drive by the IRA, the manufacturing sector continues to lead all industries in 2023 by garnering approximately \$12 billion in economic incentive awards in exchange for an estimated \$121 billion in capital investment and the commitment to create almost 165,000 jobs. The manufacturing industry in isolation offered incentives valued at approximately \$75,000 per new employee and a 10% return on investment. Research, design & development projects remained the second largest project type with approximately \$4.5 billion of economic incentives which is higher than previous years. This marked increase is primarily driven by TerraPower, a nuclear reactor design and development engineering company planning to invest \$2 billion to establish a new 345-megawatt natrium demonstration nuclear reactor in Kemmerer, Wyoming, receiving approximately \$3.5 billion of federal incentives. Most of the remainder of the incentives in this industry sector are tied to film credits.

#### **TOTAL ECONOMIC INCENTIVES AWARDED BY INDUSTRY (2023)**



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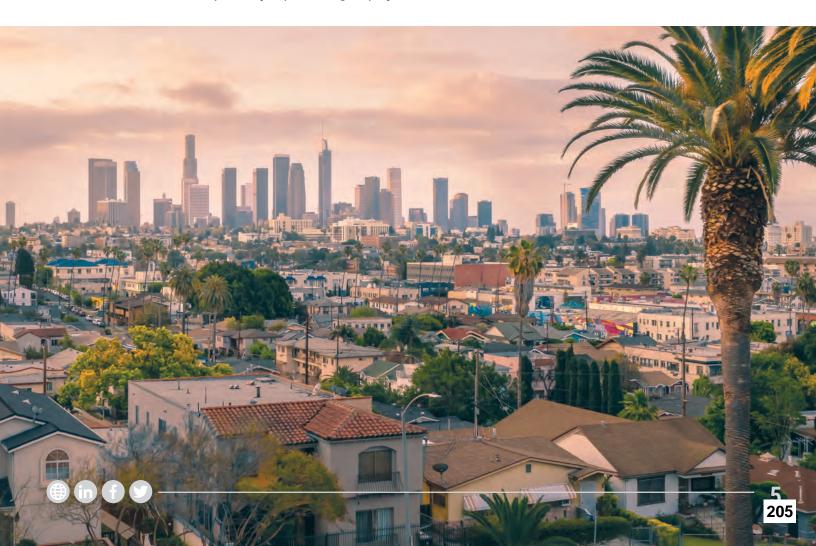
#### TOP NOTABLE ECONOMIC INCENTIVE PROGRAMS

The following table highlights some of the more utilized state economic incentive programs by value and/or frequency in 2023.

NO.	PROGRAM NAME	ECONOMIC INCENTIVES (\$M)	TOTAL NO. OF DEALS
1	California Competes Tax Credit	\$217	22
2	New York Excelsior Jobs Program	\$210	134
3	Indiana Economic Development for a Growing Economy	\$188	110
4	Louisiana Quality Jobs Program	\$168	19
5	Kentucky Business Investment program	\$124	63

Source: IncentivesFlow, a Service from FDI Intelligence

Two other significant programs utilized were the California and New York film tax credit programs in the amount of \$431 million and \$354 million, respectively, representing 80 projects each.





# STATES REPORTING THE LARGEST CUMULATIVE ECONOMIC INCENTIVE AWARDS

The following table identifies the top 20 states with the greatest amount of reported economic incentive awards in 2023. These awards in total account for over 62% of all announced awards.

NO.	STATE	TOTAL ECONOMIC INCENTIVES VALUE (\$M)	DEALS	CAPEX (\$M)	AVG CAPEX PER DEAL (\$M)	SUM OF NEW JOBS	SUM OF SAFE- GUARDED JOBS	TOTAL JOBS	AWARD PER JOB
1	Michigan	\$2,662.99	704	\$7,460.41	\$10.60	26,325	604	26,929.00	\$98,889.30
2	South Carolina	\$1,616.86	47	\$6,430.57	\$136.82	11,396	115	11,511	\$140,462.17
3	California	\$1,302.06	458	\$7,642.44	\$16.69	42,531	-	42,531	\$30,614.38
4	Indiana	\$1,215.06	187	\$10,684.92	\$57.14	23,139	4,893	28,032	\$43,345.50
5	Oregon	\$1,067.99	19	\$13,540.00	\$712.63	2,055	-	2,055	\$519,703.16
6	New York	\$1,012.65	309	\$6,357.06	\$20.57	92,992	3,883	96,875.00	\$10,453.19
7	Illinois	\$777.67	130	\$2,299.76	\$17.69	10,135	2,809	12,944	\$60,079.57
8	North Carolina	\$584.55	131	\$11,572.05	\$88.34	13,784	1,476	15,260	\$38,306.19
9	Ohio	\$570.93	307	\$12,718.60	\$41.43	20,119	23,450	43,569	\$13,104.10
10	Kentucky	\$516.98	166	\$12,107.15	\$72.93	20,430	1,476	21,906.00	\$23,599.84
11	Georgia	\$458.55	69	\$9,461.00	\$137.12	17,585	-	17,585	\$26,076.03
12	Nevada	\$433.97	59	\$4,036.98	\$68.42	6,940	-	6,940	\$62,531.97
13	Texas	\$433.60	174	\$3,169.08	\$18.21	16,213	466	16,679	\$25,996.76
14	Kansas	\$372.71	65	\$2,659.19	\$40.91	7,365	-	7,365	\$50,605.57
15	Louisiana	\$356.99	81	\$21,898.06	\$270.35	6,058	1,025	7,083	\$50,400.96
16	Florida	\$324.65	144	\$673.70	\$4.68	12,647	220	12,867.00	\$25,231.50
17	Missouri	\$316.21	34	\$1,950.00	\$57.35	3,517	500	4,017.00	\$78,717.95
18	Oklahoma	\$285.26	28	\$2,252.12	\$80.43	3,270	-	3,270.00	\$87,235.47
19	Virginia	\$228.18	78	\$35,859.38	\$459.74	7,451	163	7,614.00	\$29,968.48
20	Tennessee	\$199.42	82	\$2,186.40	\$26.66	9,104	43,849	52,953	\$3,765.98

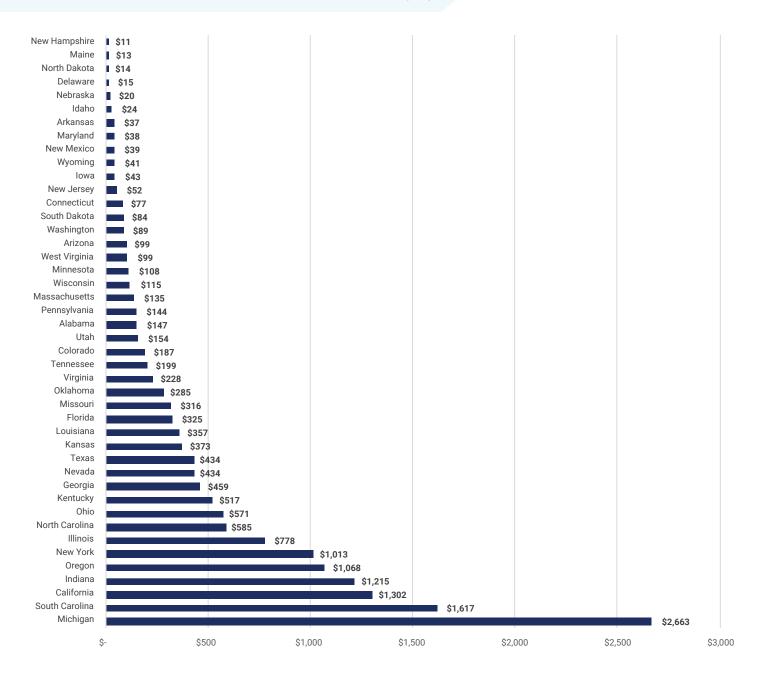
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#### STATES REPORTING THE LARGEST CUMULATIVE ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE AWARDS, CONTINUED**

In prior years, the top 20 states with the largest cumulative awards typically represent over 90% of the total incentives awarded. This year only 62% of the total awards were represented by the top 20 states with larger awards being granted throughout the country, as shown below.

#### **TOTAL ECONOMIC INCENTIVES EXCEEDING \$10M BY STATE (\$M)**



Source: IncentivesFlow, a Service from FDI Intelligence









#### **TOP 20 PROJECTS**

The following table identifies 20 of the largest reported state and local economic incentive deals announced during 2023:

NO.	COMPANY	ТҮРЕ	LOCATION	ECONOMIC INCENTIVES AWARDED (\$M)	CAPEX (\$M)	TOTAL JOBS
1	Ford Motor Company	New Project	Michigan	\$1,768.30	\$3,500	2,500
2	Volkswagen	New Project	South Carolina	\$1,291.00	\$2,000	4,000
3	Amazon	New Project	Oregon	\$1,000.00	\$12,000	600
4	Ilitch Holdings	New Project	Michigan	\$616.00	\$1,500	-
5	Gotion High-Tech	New Project	Illinois	\$536.00	\$2,000	2,600
6	Toyota Motor	Expansion	North Carolina	\$400.00	\$8,000	3,000
7	Tesla	Expansion	Nevada	\$330.00	\$3,600	3,000
8	Joby Aviation	Expansion	Ohio	\$325.00	\$500	2,000
9	Regeneron Pharmaceuticals	Expansion	New York	\$310.67	\$1,800	1,000
10	Integra Technologies	New Project	Kansas	\$304.95	\$1,800	2,000
11	SK On	New Project	Georgia	\$298.00	\$5,000	3,750
12	Eli Lilly and Company (Eli Lilly)	New Project	Indiana	\$293.09	\$1,600	200
13	Toyota Motor	Expansion	Kentucky	\$240.00	\$1,300	-
14	Boeing	New Project	Missouri	\$229.80	\$1,800	500
15	Enel	New Project	Oklahoma	\$218.62	\$1,800	1,400
16	Entek International	New Project	Indiana	\$213.70	\$1,500	642
17	Starplus Energy	Expansion	Indiana	\$176.50	\$3,200	1,400
18	Amazon	New Project	Virginia	\$140.00	\$35,000	1,000
19	Venture Global LNG	New Project	Louisiana	\$129.82	\$14,400	413
20	John Swire & Sons	New Project	Indiana	\$125.00	\$124	60

Source: IncentivesFlow, a Service from FDI Intelligence

Ford Motor Company's lithium iron phosphate electric vehicle battery manufacturing facility in Marshall, Michigan, and Ilitch Holdings mixed-use development in Detroit, Michigan, accounted for 90% of Michigan's total announced awards in 2023. Similarly, Volkswagen's Scout Motors establishment of a new electric truck and SUV manufacturing facility in Blythewood, South Carolina, accounted for 80% of South Carolina's announced awards.

There were a handful of other large projects announced, but most of the reported awards were related to federal incentives, such as TerraPower's receipt of \$2 billion from the U.S. Department of Energy and \$1.5 billion from the U.S. Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. Redwood Materials also received funding from the IRA Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing Loan Program in the amount of \$2 billion for the expansion of its manufacturing of battery materials from post-consumer and post-industrial electronics for the electric vehicle industry in materials facility in McCarran, Nevada.







#### TOP NOTABLE BUSINESS SERVICES PROJECTS

Since most large, reported awards are in the manufacturing realm, we like to also highlight notable awards in the business services sector.

COMPANY	ТҮРЕ	LOCATION	ECONOMIC INCENTIVES AWARDED (\$M)	CAPEX (\$M)	TOTAL JOBS
Northwestern Mutual	New Project	Wisconsin	\$30.00	\$500	3,750
Wells Fargo	New Project	Ohio	\$30.00	-	585
Flagship Pioneering	New Project	Massachusetts	\$20.00	\$325	600
Snap	Expansion	California	\$20.00	\$152	508
WorldPay (Vantiv)	Expansion	Ohio	\$20.00	-	500
McMaster-Carr	New Project	Texas	\$18.00	\$360	250
Republic Airways Holdings	Expansion	Indiana	\$18.00	\$116	965
Clayco	Expansion	Missouri	\$17.60	\$50	400
Orgill	Expansion	Tennessee	\$16.98	\$77	65
OmniTeq	Expansion	Utah	\$13.43	\$255	4,000
Rippling	Expansion	California	\$12.70	\$13	563
Clutch	Expansion	California	\$11.60	\$15	521
Sinclair Digital Services	Expansion	Texas	\$10.00	\$87	63

Source: IncentivesFlow, a Service from FDI Intelligence

Another interesting metric is that \$2.5 billion of reported economic incentive awards in 2023 were associated with Small Business Administration 7A or 504 loans for 1,612 projects. Large projects tend to attract the most publicity and scrutiny, so it is positive to see how small businesses are also garnering economic benefits.



#### COMPARISON OF ECONOMIC INCENTIVE CONDITIONS BY STATE

There are many factors that impact how state and local jurisdictions determine which companies are eligible for economic incentives. Every state has its own business and tax laws, policies, objectives and strategies to attract and retain companies. Some states emphasize the growth of targeted industries, while others focus on job creation or investment in targeted geographies within their state. To help understand the current economic incentive and tax climate of each state, Site Selection Group has summarized key indicators for each state across the U.S.



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# **ALABAMA**



#### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED 2 DEALS

\$147.12M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$1,274.78M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

\$28,734.38 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

11.55% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

#### TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Alabama Jobs Act: **Investment Credit** 

Alabama Jobs Act: Jobs Credit

Property & Sales Tax **Abatements** 

#### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

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CORPORATE TAX RANK



33 INDIVIDUAL





#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



6.50% CORP. INC.



SALES



**AVERAGE** LOCAL



**PROPERTY** 



INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY

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# **ALASKA**



#### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED **DEALS** 

\$2.70M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

Rural Development Initiative **Fund** 

**TARGETED ECONOMIC** 

**INCENTIVE PROGRAMS** 

TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

Financing Programs

TOTAL **NEW JOBS**  \$33,750.00 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

Oil & Gas Exploration Tax Credits

N/A AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

#### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

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**OVERALL** 



26 CORPORATE TAX RANK



INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK



SALES TAX



#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



9.40% CORP. INC.



SALES



**AVERAGE** 6 LOCAL





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# **ARIZONA**



#### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

56 ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$98.79M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS** 

Arizona Competes Fund

\$2,208.20M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

Arizona Quality Job Tax Credit

\$15,168.04 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

Arizona Qualified Facility Tax Credit Program

4.48% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

#### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

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CORPORATE TAX RANK



INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





**PROPERTY** 

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



CORP. INC.



% SALES



**AVERAGE** 6 LOCAL TAX RATE



PROPERTY



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# **ARKANSAS**



#### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED **DEALS** 

\$351.42M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

\$36.63M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$17,045.14 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

10.43% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

#### TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Advantage Arkansas Income Tax Credit

Create Rebate

**Arkansas Tax Back** 

#### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

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8 CORPORATE TAX RANK



7 INDIVIDUAL





**PROPERTY** 

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



4.80% CORP. INC.



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# **CALIFORNIA**



#### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

458 ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$1,302.06M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

**42,531** TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$7,642.44M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

\$30,614.38 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

17.04% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

#### TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

California Competes Tax Credit

**New Employment Credit** 

**Employment Training Panel** 

#### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

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# **COLORADO**



#### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED

\$187.39M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS** 

Job Growth Incentive Tax Credit

\$2,372.00M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

Colorado Strategic Fund

\$23,892.77 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

Colorado Enterprise Zone

7.91% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

#### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

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**CORPORATE** TAX RANK



3 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>





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# CONNECTICUT



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED

\$77.04M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$39.00M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

1,561 TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$49,352.98 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

197.54% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

**Urban and Industrial Sites** Reinvestment Tax Credit **Program** 

Sales & Use Tax Exemptions

Loan & Financing Programs

### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

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CORPORATE TAX RANK



INDIVIDUAL





#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



7.50% CORP. INC.



SALES



6 LOCAL





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# **DELAWARE**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED **DEALS** 

\$14.96M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$201.65M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

517 TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$28,936.17 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

7.42% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# **TARGETED ECONOMIC INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Delaware Strategic Fund

**New Business Facility Tax** Credit

New Economy Jobs Tax Credit

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

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CORPORATE TAX RANK



INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK



SALES TAX



**PROPERTY** TAX RANK

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



MARGINAL 8.70% CORP. INC.



SALES



**AVERAGE** 6 LOCAL



COMMERCIAL **PROPERTY** 



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# **FLORIDA**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

144 ANNOUNCED DEALS

**12,647** TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$324.65M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$673.70M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

\$25,670.42 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

48.19% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Capital Investment Tax Credit

**High Impact Business** Performance Incentive Grant

Quick Response Training

### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

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INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>











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# **GEORGIA**



### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED

\$458.55M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$9,461.00M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

\$6.65M AVERAGE DEAL VAL

**17,585** TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$26,076.03 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

4.85% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Regional Economic **Business Assistance Program** 

Economic Development, Growth, and Expansion Grant

Job Tax Credit

### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

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CORPORATE TAX RANK



35 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





**PROPERTY** 

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CORP. INC.



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# **HAWAII**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

ANNOUNCED **DEALS** 

\$0.94M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$85,454.55 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

**Enterprise Zone Partnership** Program

**TARGETED ECONOMIC** 

**INCENTIVE PROGRAMS** 

Capital Goods Excise Tax

Credits

TOTAL **NEW JOBS** 

N/A AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





8 CORPORATE TAX RANK



'INDIVIDUAL





**PROPERTY** 

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



6.40% CORP. INC.



**SALES** 



**AVERAGE O** LOCAL



COMMERCIAL **PROPERTY** 



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# **IDAHO**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$24.15M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

Idaho Tax Reimbursement Incentive

**TARGETED ECONOMIC** 

**INCENTIVE PROGRAMS** 

TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

**Investment Tax Credit** 

93 TOTAL **NEW JOBS** 

\$30,457.60 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

Idaho Business Advantage

N/A AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE



'INDIVIDUAL





**PROPERTY** TAX RANK

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



5.80% MARGINAL CORP. INC.



SALES



**AVERAGE O** LOCAL TAX RATE



70 PROPERTY



INDUSTRIAL

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# **ILLINOIS**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

131 ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$1,777.67M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$3,199.76M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

**10,135** TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$175,399.11 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

55.56% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Illinois Economic **Development For a Growing Economy Tax Credit Program** 

**High Impact Business** Program

Illinois Enterprise Zone Program

### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE



INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



CORP. INC.



SALES



LOCAL





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# **INDIANA**



### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

187 ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$1,215.06M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

**Economic Development for** 

a Growing Economy

TARGETED ECONOMIC

**INCENTIVE PROGRAMS** 

\$10,684.92M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

**Hoosier Business** Investment Tax Credit

**23,139** TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$52,511.39 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

Skills Enhancement Fund

11.38% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE TAX RANK



6 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





**PROPERTY** TAX RANK

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



CORP. INC.



SALES



6 LOCAL





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# **IOWA**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED **DEALS** 

\$42.63M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

**TARGETED ECONOMIC INCENTIVE PROGRAMS** 

High Quality Jobs Program

\$886.22M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

**New Jobs Tax Credit** 

2,581 TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$16,516.85 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

Property Tax Exemptions/ Rebates

4.82% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

#### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE TAX RANK



INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





**PROPERTY** 

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



7.10% MARGINAL CORP. INC.



% SALES



**AVERAGE** 6 LOCAL





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# **KANSAS**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

65 ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$372.71M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$2,659.19M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

7,365 TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$50,605.57 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

14.02% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

**Promoting Employment** Across Kansas

High Performance Incentive Program

Kansas Industrial Training

### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE TAX RANK



'INDIVIDUAL





#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



6.50% CORP. INC.



SALES



6 LOCAL





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# **KENTUCKY**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

166 ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$516.98M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$12,107.15M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

20,430 TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$25,304.85 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

4.28% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

**Kentucky Business** Investment

Kentucky Enterprise Initiative Act

Bluegrass State Skills Training Investment Credit

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





15 CORPORATE TAX RANK



8 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



5.00% MARGINAL CORP. INC.



% SALES



6 LOCAL



**PROPERTY** 



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# **LOUISIANA**



### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED

\$356.99M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS** 

**Industrial Tax Exemption** 

\$21,898.06M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

**Quality Jobs** 

6,058 TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$58,928.69 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

**Enterprise Zone Program** 

1.64% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE



INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





**PROPERTY** 

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



7.50% CORP. INC.



**SALES** 



6 LOCAL





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# **MAINE**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED **DEALS** 

\$12.95M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

389 TOTAL **NEW JOBS** 

\$33,290.49 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

N/A AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# **TARGETED ECONOMIC INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

**Employment Tax Increment** Financing

**Business Equipment Tax** Relief

Pine Tree Development Zone

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





5 CORPORATE TAX RANK



26 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK



SALES TAX



#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



MARGINAL CORP. INC.



SALES TAX RATE



**AVERAGE** 70 LOCAL



COMMERCIAL **PROPERTY** 



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# **MARYLAND**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

\$0.58M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

**ANNOUNCED DEALS** 

\$38.24M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

3,816 TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$10,020.18 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

6592.59% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Advantage Maryland

**Economic Development Opportunities Fund** 

Job Creation Tax Credit

### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE TAX RANK



45 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



CORP. INC.

% SALES

**%** LOCAL



**AVERAGE** 



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# **MASSACHUSETTS**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED

\$135.32M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$1,572.30M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

\$28,086.34 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

8.61% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Massachusetts Economic **Development Incentive Program** 

**Workforce Training Grant** 

**Investment Tax Credit** 

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





36 CORPORATE TAX RANK



INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



8.00% MARGINAL CORP. INC.



SALES



6 LOCAL





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# **MICHIGAN**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

704 ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$2,662.99M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$7,460.41M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

**26,325** TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$101,158.21 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

35.70% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Michigan Business **Development Program** 

Jobs Ready Michigan

Critical Industry Program

### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE TAX RANK



2 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



6.00% CORP. INC.





6 LOCAL





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# **MINNESOTA**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

82 ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$107.74M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS** 

Minnesota Investment Fund

\$1,348.13M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

Minnesota Job Creation **Funding** 

4,306 TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$25,019.74 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

**Property Tax Abatements** 

8.00% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





**CORPORATE** TAX RANK



INDIVIDUAL





**PROPERTY** 

TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



9.80% CORP. INC.



SALES



**AVERAGE** 5% LOCAL



7 PROPERTY



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# **MISSISSIPPI**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED **DEALS** 

\$8.42M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$2.40M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

266 TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$31,654.14 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

350.84% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# **TARGETED ECONOMIC INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Advantage Jobs Rebate Program

Skills Training Income Tax Credit

**Growth and Prosperity Program** 

### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE TAX RANK



10 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



5.00% CORP. INC.



SALES



**AVERAGE** 6% LOCAL



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# **MISSOURI**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED

\$316.21M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$1,950.00M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

\$89,909.01 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

16.22% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Missouri Works

**Business Facility Tax Credit** Program

Tax Abatements

### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE TAX RANK



20 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





**PROPERTY** TAX RANK

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



4.00% CORP. INC.



**SALES** 



**AVERAGE** 6 LOCAL





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# **MONTANA**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED **DEALS** 

\$8.93M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

TOTAL CAPITAL

TOTAL **NEW JOBS**  \$23,438.32 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

N/A AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Big Sky Economic **Development Trust Fund** 

Job Growth Incentive Tax Credit

Tax Abatements

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

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CORPORATE TAX RANK



28 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK



SALES TAX



**PROPERTY** TAX RANK

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



6.75% CORP. INC.



SALES



**AVERAGE %** LOCAL



7 PROPERTY



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# **NEBRASKA**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED **DEALS** 

\$19.64M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

658 TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$17.30M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

\$29,848.02 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

113.53% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

ImagiNE Nebraska

Site and Building **Development Fund** 

**Urban Redevelopment Act** 

### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE TAX RANK



INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK



SALES TAX



**PROPERTY** TAX RANK

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



CORP. INC.



SALES



AVERAGE LOCAL



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# **NEVADA**



### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$3,133.97M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$4,821.98M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

8,840 TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$354,521.70 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

65.00% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

**Modified Business Tax** Abatement

Sales Tax Abatement

Personal Property Tax Abatement

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst



**OVERALL** 



5 CORPORATE TAX RANK



5 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





**PROPERTY** 

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



0.00% MARGINAL CORP. INC.



SALES



LOCAL



**PROPERTY** 



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# **NEW HAMPSHIRE**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED **DEALS** 

\$10.58M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

TOTAL CAPITAL

462 TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$22,900.43 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

N/A AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

**Economic Revitalization** Zone Tax Credit

WorkInvestNH

Municipal Economic Development and **Revitalization Districts** 

### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst







CORPORATE TAX RANK



INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK



SALES TAX



#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>







SALES



**AVERAGE** 6 LOCAL



7 PROPERTY



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# **NEW JERSEY**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

**ANNOUNCED DEALS** 

\$52.44M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS** 

**Emerge Program** 

Aspire Program

2,156 TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$24,320.50 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

New Jobs Investment Tax Credit

N/A AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE TAX RANK



48 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



9.00% CORP. INC.



% SALES



O LOCAL



PROPERTY



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# **NEW MEXICO**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED

\$39.11M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$360.80M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

\$15,982.84 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

10.84% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Job Training Incentive Program

Local Economic **Development Act** 

High Wage Job Tax Credit

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE TAX RANK



36 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





**PROPERTY** TAX RANK

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



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**SALES** 



LOCAL





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# **NEW YORK**



### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

309 ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$1,012.65M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$6,357.06M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

**92,992** TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$10,889.67 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

15.93% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

**New York Excelsior Jobs** Program

**Empire State Development Grant Funds** 

**Employee Training Incentive Program** 

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE TAX RANK



50 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





**PROPERTY** 

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



CORP. INC.



SALES



LOCAL



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# **NORTH CAROLINA**



### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

131 ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$584.55M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS** 

Jobs Development Incentive Grants

\$11,572.05M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

One North Carolina Fund

**13,784** TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$42,408.05 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

Local Tax Rebates

5.06% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

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15 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>







**SALES** 



6 LOCAL



**PROPERTY** 



INDUSTRIAL

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# **NORTH DAKOTA**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED **DEALS** 

176 TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$499.40M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

\$13.66M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$77,613.64 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

2.74% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Renaissance Zone

**New/Expanding Business Income Tax Exemption** 

**New Jobs Training Program** 

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

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CORPORATE TAX RANK



INDIVIDUAL





**PROPERTY** TAX RANK

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



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**AVERAGE** LOCAL



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# OHIO



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

307 ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$570.93M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

**TARGETED ECONOMIC INCENTIVE PROGRAMS** 

JobsOhio Economic **Development Grant** 

\$12,718.60M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

JobsOhio Workforce Grant

**20,119** TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$28,377.78 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

Ohio Job Creation Tax Credit

4.49% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE TAX RANK



INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





**PROPERTY** TAX RANK

# TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



0.00% CORP. INC.



SALES



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# **OKLAHOMA**



### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED

\$285.26M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

**INCENTIVE PROGRAMS** 

TARGETED ECONOMIC

Quality Jobs Program

\$2,252.12M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

**Quick Action Closing Fund** 

\$87,235.47 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

Oklahoma Business **Expansion Incentive Program** 

12.67% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





**CORPORATE** TAX RANK



1 INDIVIDUAL





#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



4.00% CORP. INC.



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# **OREGON**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED

\$1,067.99M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS** 

Strategic Investment

Program

\$13,540.00M TOTAL CAPITAL \$56.21M AVERAGE DEAL VAL

Governor Strategic Reserve Fund

2,055 TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$519,703.16 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

**Business Expansion** Program

7.89% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE TAX RANK



INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK



SALES TAX



**PROPERTY** TAX RANK

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



7.60% MARGINAL CORP. INC.



SALES



**AVERAGE %** LOCAL





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# **PENNSYLVANIA**



### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

86 ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$144.28M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$1,071.40M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

5,748 TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$25,101.04 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

13.47% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Pennsylvania Industrial **Development Authority** 

Pennsylvania First

Workforce Training and **Development Grant** 

### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

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CORPORATE TAX RANK



3 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





**PROPERTY** 

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



CORP. INC.



% SALES



**AVERAGE** 6 LOCAL



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# **RHODE ISLAND**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$3.95M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

26 TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$31,349.21 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

N/A AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

## **TARGETED ECONOMIC INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Qualified Jobs Incentive Tax Credit Program

Rebuild Rhode Island Tax Credit Program

Tax Increment Financing

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE TAX RANK



INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





**PROPERTY** 

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



**7.00%** CORP. INC.



SALES



**AVERAGE** 70 LOCAL



**PROPERTY** 



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# **SOUTH CAROLINA**



### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$1,616.86M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS** 

Job Development Credit

\$6,430.57M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

Governor's Closing Fund

**11,396** TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$141,879.61 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

Fee-in-Lieu of Property Taxes & Special Source Revenue Credits

25.15% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE TAX RANK



30 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



5.00% CORP. INC.



% SALES



LOCAL





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# **SOUTH DAKOTA**



# **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED **DEALS** 

\$83.86M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$561.71M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

\$42,204.33 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

14.93% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

### TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Reinvestment Payment Program

South Dakota Jobs Grant **Program** 

Local Infrastructure Improvement Program

# STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

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**PROPERTY** TAX RANK

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>







**SALES** 



**AVERAGE** LOCAL



PROPERTY



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# **TENNESSEE**



### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED 2 ANIX

\$199.42M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$2,186.40M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

\$21,904.66 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

9.13% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

### TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

FastTrack Economic **Development Fund** 

FastTrack Job Training Assistance Program

Jobs & Industrial Machinery Tax Credits

#### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE



INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



6.50% CORP. INC.



SALES



**AVERAGE** 6 LOCAL



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\$3,169.08M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

#### **TEXAS**



#### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

174 ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$433.60M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

**16,213** TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$26,743.97 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

13.69% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

#### TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Texas Enterprise Fund

Texas Enterprise Zone

**Local Grants and Tax Abatements** 

#### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE TAX RANK



INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





**PROPERTY** 

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



0.00% MARGINAL CORP. INC.



SALES



6 LOCAL





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#### **UTAH**



#### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED

\$153.80M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$12,055.11M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

**10,792** TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$14,251.30 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

1.28% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

#### TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

**Economic Development Tax Increment Financing Tax** Credit

**Utal Rural Jobs Program** 

Utah Industrial Assistance Account

#### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst



**OVERALL** 



CORPORATE TAX RANK



INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





**PROPERTY** TAX RANK

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



4.65% CORP. INC.



% SALES



6 LOCAL



7 PROPERTY



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#### **VERMONT**



#### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED **DEALS** 

\$6.16M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

336 TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$18,333.33 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

N/A AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

#### **TARGETED ECONOMIC INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Vermont Employment **Growth Incentive** 

**Vermont Training Program** 

**Economic Development Authority Loans** 

#### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





8 CORPORATE TAX RANK



39 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





**PROPERTY** 

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



MARGINAL 8.50% CORP. INC.



% SALES



**AVERAGE** 36% LOCAL



COMMERCIAL PROPERTY



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#### **VIRGINIA**



#### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

8 ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$228.18M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$35,859.38M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

\$30,624.08 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

0.64% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

#### TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

Commonwealth's **Development Opportunity** Fund

Virginia Investment Performance Grant

Virginia Jobs Investment Program

#### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





16 CORPORATE TAX RANK



/ INDIVIDUAL





PROPERTY

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



6.00% CORP. INC.



**SALES** 



LOCAL



**PROPERTY** 



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#### WASHINGTON



#### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$89.21M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS** 

**Economic Revitalization Board Grant & Loans** 

\$253.89M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

Job Skills Program

\$46,559.50 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

**Business & Occupational** Tax Credits

35.14% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

#### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE



INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



CORP. INC.



SALES



6 LOCAL



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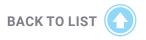








#### **WEST VIRGINIA**



#### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED **DEALS** 

\$99.29M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$596.00M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

73 TOTAL **NEW JOBS** 

\$102,045.22 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

16.66% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

#### TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

**Economic Opportunity** Credit

Governor's Guaranteed Work Force Program

Manufacturing Investment Credit

#### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE



15 INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK





**PROPERTY** TAX RANK

#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



6.50% CORP. INC.



% SALES



**AVERAGE** 6 LOCAL



7 PROPERTY



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#### **WISCONSIN**



#### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED DEALS

\$115.18M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

\$1,323.89M TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

**7,623** TOTAL NEW JOBS

\$15,109.54 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

8.71% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

#### TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

**Business Development Tax** Credit

**Enterprise Zone Tax Credit** 

Manufacturing & **Agricultural Credit** 

#### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst





CORPORATE TAX RANK



38 INDIVIDUAL





#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



**7.90%** CORP. INC.



SALES



**AVERAGE** 6 LOCAL



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#### **WYOMING**



#### **ECONOMIC INCENTIVE DEAL ACTIVITY**<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCED **DFALS** 

\$3,540.84M TOTAL INCENTIVES VALUE

TARGETED ECONOMIC **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS** 

**Economic Development** Large Project Loan Program

\$2,000.00M

\$708.17M

**Business Ready Community Grant and Loan Program** 

\$7,903,660.71 AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER JOB

Workforce Development Training Fund

177.05% AVERAGE INCENTIVE PER CAPEX

#### STATE BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE INDEX<sup>2</sup>

1 = Best | 50 = Worst



**OVERALL** 



CORPORATE TAX RANK



INDIVIDUAL TAX RANK



SALES TAX



#### TAX RATES<sup>3</sup>



CORP. INC.



**SALES** 



AVERAGE LOCAL



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INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY

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# AUGUST 2024 REPORT



# DENTON, TEXAS

## **JAMIE ADAMS**

Director of Strategic Partnerships
Denton Economic Development
Partnerships



## STRATEGY - PROMOTING DENTON'S CREATIVE BRAND

Social Media Following

1569

**Followers** 

2.1K

Followers



#### Denton EDP Investor Profile: Madem-Moorecraft

In 2017, Madem-Moorecraft Reels USA, Inc. was formed when Brazil-based Madem Reels Group joined forces with USA-based Moorecraft Reels, Inc. This joint venture helped expand Madem-Moorecraft into more North American territory and has proven successful,...

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Focus on telling the story of Denton through website and social channels

## WEBSITE ANALYTICS FOR www.DENTONEDP.com

	Country	Total users ▼
1.	United States	3,404
2.	India	43
3.	China	39
4.	Germany	14
5.	Philippines	14
6.	United Kingdom	13
7.	Ireland	11
8.	Canada	10
9.	Russia	10
10.	Brazil	8

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**Followers** 

Higher Traffic - States (globally)

	Region	lotal users +
1.	Texas	1,953
2.	Virginia	268
3.	California	134
4.	Ohio	112
5.	Washington	86
6.	lowa	74
7.	Kansas	74
8.	Oregon	74
9.	New York	71
10.	Illinois	62

Total users 3,937

New users 3,795

4,895

Sessions per user 1.25

Engagement rate 48.70%

Views **9,457** 

Engaged sessions 2,384

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## STRATEGY - ATTRACT NEW INVESTMENT

The Denton Economic Development Partnership is tasked to develop partnerships and engage in strategic business retention efform. The Partnership is supported by stakeholders from diverse industries who have a critical interest in Denton's business and wo

rts on behalf of the City. rkforce development.

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CURRENT INVESTORS \*JULY 2024

129 Investors in July 2023

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NEW INVESTORS
GAINED THIS PAST
MONTH



5

NEW INVESTORS IN PAST 4 MONTHS

- SPERE COPR
- ATMOS ENERGY
- CHRIS FARMER BLUECREST
- GEOTEX
- CIERRA BANK



# Relationship Building with Developers, Brokers, Local Industry and Business STRATEGY - WESTPARK INDUSTRIAL PARK

## ADDRESSING VACANCY CONCERNS

Meet with 5 spec industrial property managers to address vacancy concerns



24

6.8 Million Square Feet

7

1.9 Million Square Feet

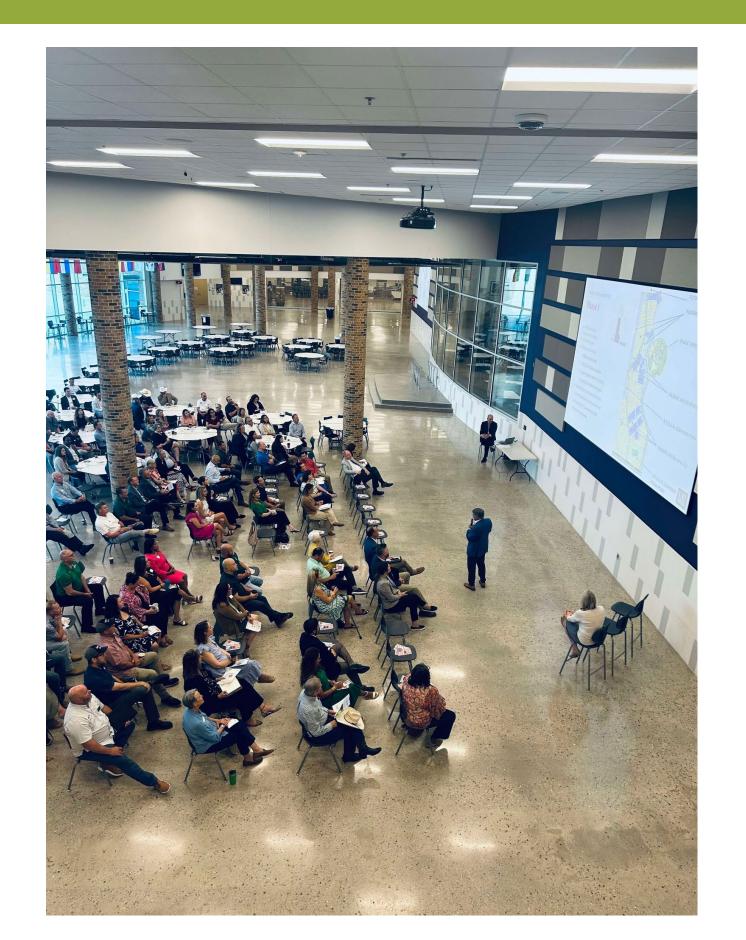
Rayzor investments to purchase and develop 50 acres. They will build 5 Warehouses totaling 150,000 sq. ft. at the Corner of Jim Christal and Western Blvd.

RECAP AND INFO

#### <u>JULY 24 – FORUM ON HILLWOOD'S GROWTH IN DENTON</u>

126 People in Attendance - Hosted at Denton High School
 Guest Speakers: Judge Andy Eads, Fred Balda, Kimberly Cole,
 Dr. Jamie Willson, and Mayor Gerard Hudspeth





**SURVEY INFO** 





An exciting 3,200-acre residential and mixed-use development from Hillwood, a Perot Company, is coming to Denton, Texas. Masterfully blending residential and commercial, Landmark by Hillwood offers a singular destination with abundant opportunities to live, work, learn, play, and thrive in the embrace of nature.

Welcome to Landmark...where the land leads to everything.



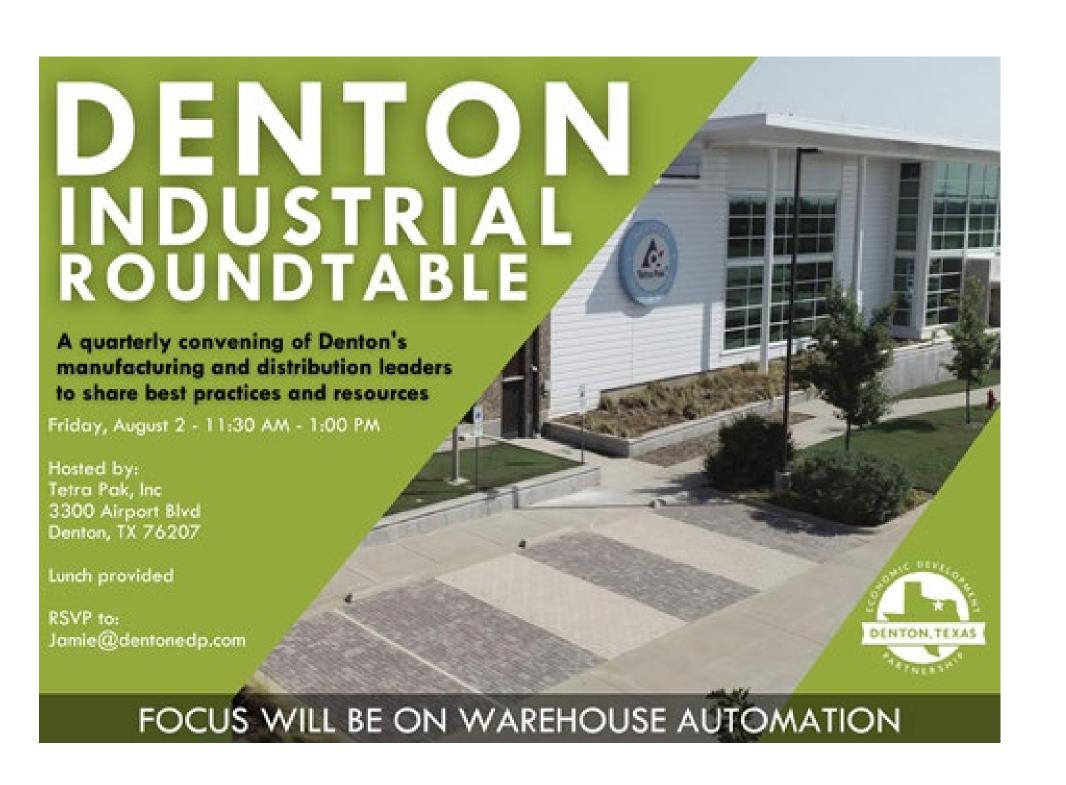
Did the EDP Investor Forum of Growth of Hillwood meet expectations?

87.5 % YES

#### FEEDBACK RECEVIED

- The presentation was good. Very informative.
- I would like to hear more on how continued development in southwest Denton will affect healthcare, particularly related to Medical City Argyle which is the only medical facility in that immediate area.
- Great event!

RECAP OF INDUSTRIAL ROUNDTABLE



## INDUSTRIAL FORUM AT TETRA PAK, INC

- FRIDAY, AUGUST 2
- FOCUS WAS ON WAREHOUSE AUTOMATION, CONNECTIVITY, AND CYBER SECURITY.
- 40 ATTENDEES
- COMMUNITY LEADERS, INDUSTRIAL LEADERS, AND REPRESENTATIVES.

**UPCOMING EVENTS** 

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20 HR LUNCH AND FORUM

HOSTED AT THE
DEVELOPMENT
SERVICES BUILDING

11:30 AM TO 1 PM

FOCUS ON GROWTH
IN DENTON AND HOW
IT AFFECTS
WORKFORCE



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## DENTON, TEXAS

PARTNERSHIP



# GREEN BUSINESS PROGRAM

The City of Denton Green Business Program is a <u>FREE</u> engagement platform designed to raise awareness about sustainable business principles and encourage the adoption of best practices

## **JOINING IS EASY!**

Complete the Sustainability Questionnaire to be enrolled in the program. Each additional step you complete below increases your ranking on the Sustainability Curve!





STEP 1: COMPLETE SUSTAINABILITY QUESTIONNAIRE

Tell us your story! List all the sustainable business practices you have in our 6 key focus areas. The completion of the questionnaire automatically gets you into the program at the bronze level.

#### **STEP 2: JOIN A COHORT**

Learn a new skill! Sign up for one or more of our cohorts to work with sustainability staff to improve your business in one of the cohort areas.





#### **STEP 3: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Spread the word! Engage the public with your sustainability efforts through branding, social media, volunteer events, or hosting an event at your business.

#### **STEP 4: ONGOING PARTICIPATION**

Keep in touch! Complete our annual report to help track your progress and let us know how we can help you on your sustainability journey.



## **Get Started Now!**



To Complete a Questionnaire Visit Sustainabledenton.com

## **CONTACT US AT!**

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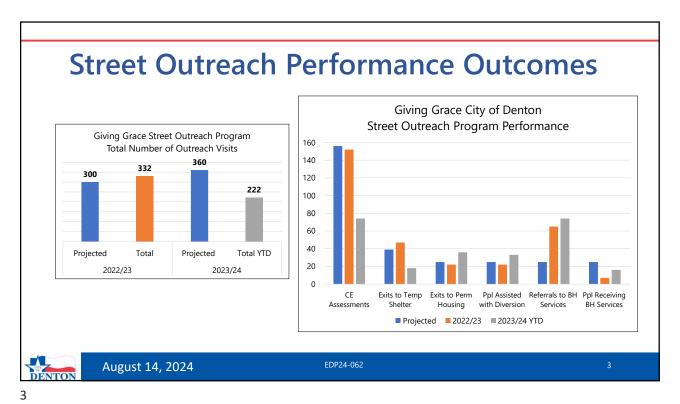


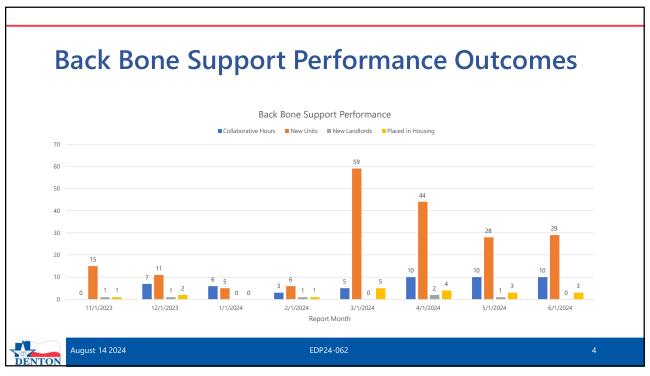
### **City Council Homeless Initiatives**

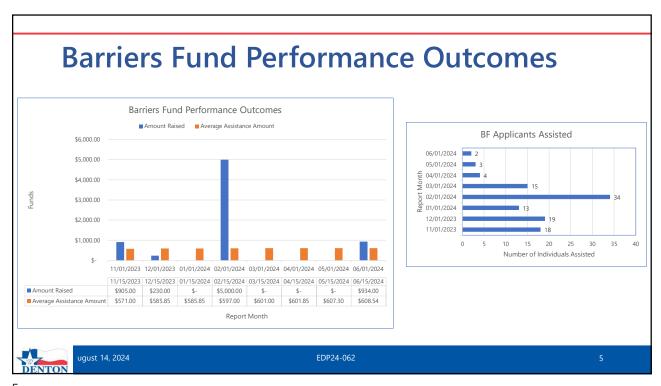
Program	FY23-24 Amount	FY23-24 Recipient	Description
*Street Outreach Grant	\$125,450	Giving Grace	Street Outreach provides services to unhoused people through information and referrals, using diversion problem-solving skills to resolve homelessness quickly when possible, and connecting to the Coordinated Entry assessment for placement in a supportive housing program when openings become available.
Denton County Housing and Homelessness Leadership Team Backbone Support	\$80,000	United Way of Denton County	Partial funding for staff positions and admin that provide backbone support to the Denton County Housing and Homelessness Leadership Team: Chief Programs Officer and Homelessness Data Management Specialist
Denton County Barriers Fund	\$80,000	United Way of Denton County	The Denton County Homelessness Barriers Fund was created to help families overcome barriers to getting and staying housed. Funds may be requested by any agency providing homelessness prevention or intervention services to assist households with housing barrier costs no otherwise available through existing programs.
HMIS Licenses	\$18,000	United Way of Denton County	Funds Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Licenses for City of Denton nonprofits serving people experiencing or at-risk of homelessness in furtherance of the coordinated system of homeless assistance programs
Denton Community Shelter	\$400,000	Our Daily Bread	Funds support the operations and management of the low-barrier shelter on Loop 288.
Annual Total	\$703,450		

\*Funding awarded annually through competitive application process.

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#### **HMIS Outcomes**

Report Month	Individuals on HPL	HMIS Technical Assistance	
05/15/2024	506	40	
04/15/2024	488	40	
03/15/2024	462	40	
02/15/2024	488	20	
01/15/2024	502	0	
12/15/2023	542	0	
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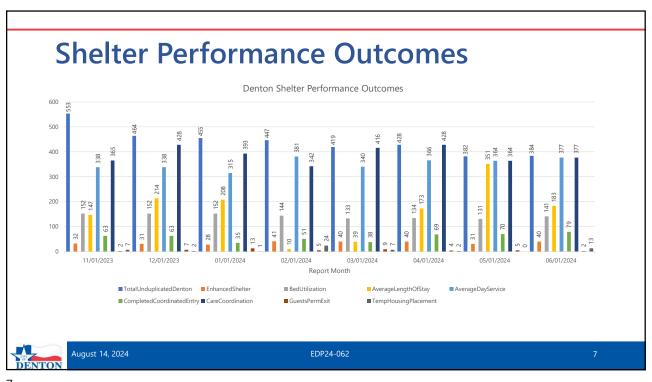
Denton County Homelessness Data Dashboard

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#### **Economic Development Partnership Board**

Meeting Date	Item Description	Presented By	Time
Wednesday, September 11, 2024			
Item for Consideration	Approval of Minutes	Chair	5
Item for Consideration	Chamber of Commerce Agreement	Christine Taylor / Erin Carter	15
Item for Consideration	Stoke Agreement and Report	Brittany Sotelo/ Heather Gregory	15
Work Session	Budget Update	Christine Taylor	15
Work Session - Staff Report	Economic Development Partnership Update	Jamie Adams	5
Work Session - Staff Report	Director Update	Brittany Sotelo	5
Work Session - Staff Report	Quarterly Main Street Program Update	Kristen Pulido	5
Work Session - Staff Report	Future Agenda Items	Christine Taylor	5
		Total Time	70
Wednesday, October 9, 2024			
Item for Consideration	Approval of Minutes	Chair	5
Work Session - Staff Report	Downtown Economic Development Committee Update	Jeremy Fykes	10
Work Session - Staff Report	Economic Development Partnership Update	Jamie Adams	10
Work Session - Staff Report	Director Update	Brittany Sotelo	10
Work Session - Staff Report	Work Session - Staff Report Future Agenda Items Christine Taylor		5
		Total Time	40
Wednesday, November 13, 2024			
Item for Consideration	Approval of Minutes	Chair	5
Work Session - Staff Report	Economic Development Partnership Update	Jamie Adams	10
Work Session - Staff Report	Director Update	Brittany Sotelo	10
Work Session - Staff Report	Future Agenda Items	Christine Taylor	5
		Total Time	30
Wednesday, December 11, 2024			
Item for Consideration	Approval of Minutes	Chair	5
Work session	STaND Report Update	Brittany Sotelo	15
Work Session - Staff Report	Economic Development Partnership Update	Jamie Adams	10
Work Session - Staff Report	Director Update	Brittany Sotelo	10

#### **Economic Development Partnership Board**

Work Session - Staff Report	Quarterly Main Street Program Update	Kristen Pulido		10
Work Session - Staff Report	Future Agenda Items	Christine Taylor		5
			Total Time	55
TBD:				
Work Session	DME Infrastructure/Capital Program Overview			
Work Session	DME Commercial Deposits	Krista Foster		
Work Session	Strategic Plan Review of SGA – Competitive	Christine Taylor		