

SAUK COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION NEWS & VIEWS

August 2015

It has been a busy summer at the Sauk County Development Corporation as we move forward on a variety of fronts to further a vibrant economy in Sauk County. Our first e-newsletter, published in June, was emailed to over 130 parties. If you know of someone who should be added to our distribution list to receive SCDC's e-newsletter, please contact Keri Olson, SCDC Facilitator, at (608) 355-4840 or kolson@co.sauk.wi.us.

Below are some of the highlights since our June e-newsletter:

Moving Forward

With the Sauk County Development Corporation's 40th anniversary scheduled to take place in February 2016, SCDC's Board of Directors has committed to honoring the organization's important legacy while also moving forward this fall with the development of a task force comprised of private sector representatives and three SCDC Board members. The task force will be charged with creating a road map and tactically driven plan for SCDC's future business model. It is an exciting time for the Sauk County Development Corporation.

Fall Leadership Forum

SCDC's 2015 Fall Leadership Forum has been set for Thursday evening, November 19. This year's presentation will explore attracting and retaining Millennials to live and work in Sauk County, featuring a nationally acclaimed speaker on the subject. Mark your calendars now for what will surely be an informative and entertaining evening, relevant to the future economic health of Sauk County. Watch for invitations in October.

Sauk-Columbia-Marquette Counties Manufacturing Council

At a meeting held at McFarlane's in Sauk City on August 19, the Council worked on a formal plan to collaborate with area county school districts, technical schools, two- and four-year universities and the Workforce Development Board of South Central Wisconsin for the continued development of alternative career paths and other cooperative workforce training.

A World of Possibilities: The Global Economy and You

The Sauk County Development Corporation hosted *A World of Possibilities: The Global Economy and You*, a morning of networking and learning with Madison Region Economic Partnership (MadREP) on August 5 at UW-Baraboo/Sauk County. Fifty guests representing the professional services sector were in attendance. Among the discussion topics were MadREP's *Advance Now* five-year economic development strategy, global business/exporting issues and opportunities for increased Sauk County business around the world.

