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**Carroll County Economic Development Corporation Releases 2026 Strategic Plan**

**Carroll County, Indiana** — The Carroll County Economic Development Corporation (CCEDC) has released its 2026 Strategic Plan Update, outlining key priorities to strengthen the local economy, support workforce development, and enhance quality of life across Carroll County.

The updated plan provides a clear roadmap focused on four core areas: business development, workforce development, community identity and quality of place, and leadership and collaboration. The goal is to attract new investment, support existing employers, and position Carroll County for long-term economic growth and opportunity.

The plan builds on Carroll County’s strong agribusiness foundation while preparing the community to benefit from significant regional investments, including major developments in advanced manufacturing and technology. It also prioritizes expanding housing, improving access to childcare and healthcare, and strengthening partnerships between schools, employers, and local governments.

“This strategic plan reflects our shared vision for Carroll County’s future,” said Anita Werling, President of the Carroll County Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors. “By supporting our local businesses, investing in workforce development, and strengthening our communities, we are positioning Carroll County to attract new opportunities while ensuring continued growth and prosperity for our residents.”

Developed with input from local stakeholders, businesses, educators, and community partners, the plan serves as a guide for CCEDC’s work over the next five years and reinforces its commitment to building a strong and resilient economy for Carroll County.

**About the Carroll County Economic Development Corporation**

The Carroll County Economic Development Corporation works to support business retention and expansion, attract new investment, and enhance the economic vitality and quality of life throughout Carroll County, Indiana.

Board members are Anita Werling, President; Dr. Gregory Norman, Vice-President; Julia Leahy, Secretary; Laurie Brower, Treasurer; Miriam Robeson, Counsel; Bret Rinehart, Immediate Past President; Mike Williams, Jay Bordner, Keith Schultz, Kendal Ross, Kenneth Walton, Joe Moss, Seth Eldridge, Scot Ortman, and Ross Larimore.

[\(Web Link to strategic plan\)](#)