

DO YOU KNOW...



To Mars and beyond - Ingersoll Machine Tools manufactures The Mongoose the largest fiber placement machine in the world. More than 90% of its components are made in the Rockford Region. This machine is moving to Merritt Island as part of the Blue Origin Rocket manufacturing facility.

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That's Economic Development

Our industry partner organization, The International Economic Development Council has produced a video highlighting the importance of economic development in all aspects of a community's success.

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The RAEDC Supports the Read 815 Initiative

The goal is to read one book per week for the last seven weeks of summer before the school year starts. Check our social networks to see what our staff is reading this summer. The entire community is invited to participate and post selfies with the following hashtags; #Read815 #ReadingSelfie #BookAWeek

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Video Promotes Everything Good About Our Region

As part of the RAEDC's Emerging Opportunities Fund from 2016 the Rockford Area Convention and Visitors Bureau produced the video *In Good Company* highlighting more reasons why we are Your Opportunity Region. If you missed it, watch it today. Use it. Share it. Love it.

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Every System Every Aircraft Needs Your Help!

Tell us how your company supports the bold statement that represents our region's Aerospace Industry - Every System Every Aircraft. RAAN and the RAEDC want to know what your aerospace capabilities include. Please, take 4 minutes to help us out.

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OUR REGION

Project First Rate Launches Rebuild Rockford Initiative

The initiative will invite candidates to receive an introduction to the building trades under the tutelage of the skill trades people. This initiative rebuilds neighborhoods and offers First Responders homes at the cost of materials.

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Rockford Ball Screw Breaks Ground on 30,000 sq.ft. Facility Expansion

The local company, which provides linear motion solutions for a variety of industries, is celebrating a 30,000 sq. ft. expansion to house its growing manufacturing business.

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Quantum Design Establishes Global Headquarters in Machesney Park

Quantum Design's new headquarters, located near the intersection of Interstate 39-90 and Route 173, will bring together its engineering and manufacturing divisions under one roof.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

RAEDC's Annual Meeting - November 14

Save the Date! The Annual Meeting will be held at Giovanni's Restaurant & Convention Center on November 14th. For sponsorship information contact [Jimsi Kuborn.](#)

Export Compliance Training (Registration Deadline) - July 18

Did you know the civil and criminal penalties for export license violations have been increased? This program will help your company be in full compliance with a whole host of U.S. export regulations.

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Innovation Tuesdays - 2nd Tuesday of each month, 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Featuring different speakers, networking opportunities, and a variety of topics useful to entrepreneurs, Innovation Tuesday hosted by NIU EIGERlab, could be just the thing you need for your developing business.

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1 Million Cups - Wednesdays, 9 - 11 am

Entrepreneurs present their startup companies and learn how the community can help their business flourish. These meetings are held on a weekly basis.

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ABOUT THE RAEDC

The role of the Rockford Area Economic Development Council (RAEDC) is to collaborate with regional stakeholders to cultivate opportunities for primary job growth that increase the economic well-being of our region. The RAEDC markets the region to attract new capital investment, while assisting existing business with resources for sustainable growth. The RAEDC works closely with many partners to improve the competitiveness of the region by taking what it learns from the region's employers and engaging the community in the daily work of economic development. As the economic development organization for the region, the RAEDC also serves as the area's data collection agency on all new capital investment, retained and created quality jobs, and renovated commercial/industrial space.