

2013 A YEAR IN REVIEW

The Scott County Economic Development Corporation (SCEDC) and the Mid-America Science Park (MASP) have a strong commitment to economic, community and workforce development in Scott County. Over the past year, we have launched new programs, formed new partnerships and hosted hundreds of visitors. These efforts, collectively, have had a tremendous impact on the economic well-being of our community. We wanted to take this opportunity to thank the Mayor and Council of the City of Scottsburg, the Commissioners and Council of Scott County, and our county employers and residents for your continued support. In appreciation, we would like to share with you some of our favorite success stories from 2013.



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A FOCUS ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & JOB CREATION LEADS TO NEW INVESTMENTS

Scott County is growing and the economy is improving thanks to the dedicated efforts of the SCEDC and MASP.

- Several companies in Scott County expanded operations in 2013, resulting in nearly 90 new jobs and more than \$37 million in new investments in the county.
- The SCEDC and Stray Light Optical Technologies are exploring opportunities to capture a regional competitive advantage in optics and photonics – two advanced technologies that support high-growth industries. This is due to Stray Light's presence and partnership with MASP. Our goal is to increase advanced manufacturing job creation and innovation through business attraction, start-up and expansion.
- MASP welcomed the following new tenants in 2013:
 - Heartland Communication Consultants
 - Helios by Energy Zone
 - Labor Institute for Training (LIFT)

The SCEDC's Anita Walker greets students who are enjoying the MASP courtyard during the FFA National Convention.





Hundreds of people visited Scott County and the MASP in 2013, financially benefiting local hotels, restaurants and businesses.



Indiana Lt. Governor Sue Ellspermann stopped by Scott County on her Listen & Learn Tour to meet with local elected officials and other members of the community at MASP.

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NEW TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES SUPPORT A HIGHLY SKILLED WORKFORCE

The SCEDC and MASP are focused on developing a highly skilled workforce because it is critical to the county's ability to compete for jobs and investment.

- The SCEDC and the City of Scottsburg are working with Ivy Tech Community College to expand training programs in Scott County and to construct a Welding Institute at MASP that will open in January 2014.
- Thanks to another Ivy Tech partnership, high school seniors in Scott County School District #2 can now earn three college credit hours per semester through a new dual credit program at MASP.
- The SCEDC is administering the top regional adult education program in Indiana, meeting and exceeding goals set forth by the state. The SCEDC's successful management of the Region 10 program has resulted in a 62 percent increase in additional 2014 funding from the Indiana Department of Workforce Development. The program is expected to nearly double this year, serving the educational needs of more than 2,000 adults in the region.
- MASP hosts an exclusive MSSC training opportunity each month for instructors from across the United States who teach advanced manufacturing courses in various educational settings. The MSSC training is part of Mayor William Graham's and the SCEDC's vision and assurance to Scott County workers and businesses that MASP would provide nationally recognized training programs and opportunities in the community.
- MASP launched an Advanced Manufacturing Open Entry/Open Exit (OE2) training program with Ivy Tech Community College in 2013 for regional manufacturing workers. Several employers participated to meet needs in mechanical, fluid power, electrical, electronics and general workplace training. The end result will be a workforce better able to meet the advanced skill requirements of today's manufacturing environment.

CONFERENCES BRING HUNDREDS OF VISITORS TO SCOTT COUNTY

The efforts of SCEDC and MASP to expand economic development and job creation in all Scott County employment sectors has earned the attention of national conferences and statewide associations.

- **Mid-America Defense Conference** – The National Center for Complex Operations has held its annual defense conference at MASP for two consecutive years, attracting senior-level government and military officials, industry leaders and academic partners from several states.
- **National FFA Convention & Expo** – This event attracted more than 300 FFA students and facilitators from across the U.S. MASP will host the FFA again in 2014 and 2015.
- **Indiana Aquaculture Association, Inc.** – IAAI members from around the state gathered at MASP in October to discuss aquaculture's growing impact in the agriculture sector. The SCEDC sponsored and co-hosted the event.
- **Fourth Annual Prevent Child Abuse & Neglect Conference** – Approximately 250 child care experts from across Southern Indiana devoted to improving the lives of children participated in this meeting.



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