

GREATER FORT WAYNE INC. GO GUIDE

COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM & EVENT GUIDE



**GREATER
FORT WAYNE INC.**

METRO CHAMBER ALLIANCE

NETWORKING



GREATER GOLF OPEN

Compete and connect with fellow professionals during this laid-back day on the course! You could walk away with a trophy—and your next key business contact.

Contact Jenna Gunn at jgunn@gfwinc.com for more information.



MEET ME @ 5:05

Kick back and grow your network during these casual after-work gatherings. With small groups and an open-house feel, it's the perfect environment for getting connected.

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CEO ROUNDTABLES

There's no instruction manual for being an executive. That's why CEO Roundtables exist. Get trustworthy insights, practical knowledge, and best practices from your peers in a confidential forum. We cap each group at 15 members, ensuring a tight-knit and supportive environment.

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LEADS GROUPS

Crush your sales goals—with a little help from your friends! These private groups meet twice per month to share business referrals and sales tips. We limit each group to one professional per industry, so you're not competing with others within the group.

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CELEBRATION & RECOGNITION



ANNUAL MEETING

Join us for our biggest event of the year, where we celebrate the accomplishments of the past year and look toward a vibrant future in Allen County. With time for networking and a pep-rally vibe, it's an inspiring evening for all who love our community.

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HOLIDAY NIGHT

Mix and mingle at the business community's signature holiday gathering! Be part of the festivities and enjoy an evening of cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, and networking with a few hundred of your closest friends.

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CHAMPIONS OF CHANGE AWARDS

Meet the unsung heroes making a difference in our community. Given each year by the GFW Inc. Women's Network, the Champions of Change Awards spotlight the individuals who go above and beyond to mentor and empower women in Allen County.

Contact Meghan Short at mshort@gfwinc.com for more information.



RIBBON CUTTINGS & GROUNDBREAKINGS

When it comes to celebrating your biggest milestones, we're the experts. After all, who else has giant scissors, miles of ribbon, and gold-plated shovels? We're ready to showcase your company and make the biggest splash possible.

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ADVOCACY



LEGISLATIVE PREVIEW

Which emerging issues could affect your business? State lawmakers join us for lunch and offer their insights and preview the topics they plan to address in the upcoming legislative session. We'll also present GFW Inc.'s legislative priorities for the session.

Contact Melissa Beber at mbeber@gfwinc.com for more information.



THIRD HOUSE FORUM

Get a "halftime update" from your local Statehouse officials. At this luncheon, Northeast Indiana legislators report on their activity from the first half of the legislative session, preview the remainder of the session, and discuss the issues that impact the local business community.

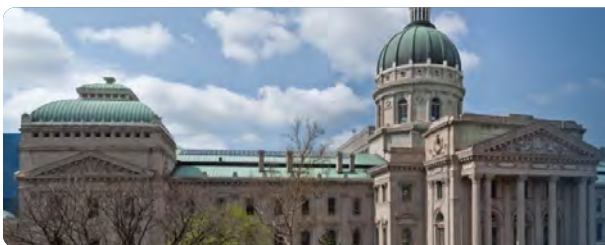
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LEGISLATIVE WRAP-UP

Each legislative session, hundreds of bills are considered at the Indiana Statehouse. When the dust settles, which ones become law, which ones need more work, and how does it all affect your business? Enjoy breakfast with your state legislators and make your voice heard.

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**DOWNLOAD THE
LEGISLATIVE AGENDA AT
[ADVOCACY.GFWINC.COM](https://advocacy.gfwinc.com)**



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LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT



LEADERSHIP FORT WAYNE

This nine-month program doesn't just give you the tools to succeed as a leader; it inspires you to find your passion and drive positive change. You'll get inside access to top subject-matter experts, plus you can strengthen your skills via community projects and optional board internships.

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LEADERSHIP ALUMNI EVENTS

As a Leadership Fort Wayne graduate, you'll join an alumni network that's more than 1,500 strong. Reconnect with former classmates and network with the incoming class during biannual alumni events like our kickoff reception and a breakfast celebrating recent graduates.

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ALLEN COUNTY LEADERS LUNCHEONS

What's new and what's next for our community? Allen County Leaders Luncheons bring you up close with the people making waves in Fort Wayne and beyond. These keynote presentations will leave you inspired and in the know.

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WOMEN'S NETWORK

Get plugged in and powered up! The GFW Inc. Women's Network exists to connect, inspire, and empower women. Join us for events and programs that push you to be your best self, both professionally and personally.

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ECONOMIC & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SUMMIT

Get expert insights that can help you grow your business. Be there for this half-day summit featuring high-profile leaders from across the state. You'll hear the cutting-edge trends and forecasts that can help your business win.

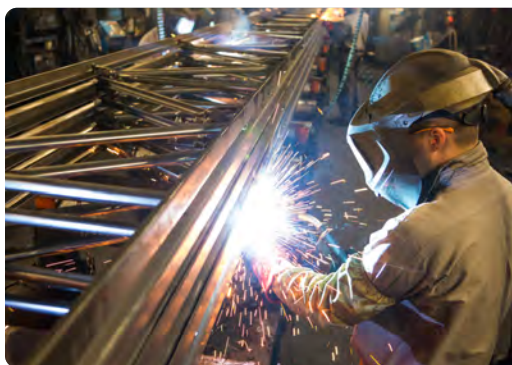
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ONBOARD FORT WAYNE

New in town? We'll help you live your best life right here in Allen County! With networking events, one-on-one attention from volunteer "Navigators," and online resources, you'll be connected to the community and enjoying the best of Allen County in no time.

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MADEBYME

Help us build tomorrow's workforce in the construction and advanced manufacturing industries. As part of the MadeByMe Coalition, you can connect with students and educators to spotlight career opportunities in the skilled trades.

Contact Adam Welch at awelch@gfwinc.com for more information.



DISABILITIES INITIATIVE

We're working to create a community where everyone can reach their full potential. Contact our team; we can help you build an inclusive workforce, create accessible workspaces, and welcome new residents of all abilities.

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INVESTOR EXCLUSIVES



SNEAK PEEK TOURS

Explore Allen County's most anticipated bold projects—often before they open to the public. You'll get exclusive networking opportunities with fellow GFW Inc. Visionary Investors and high-level community leaders.

Contact Lindsay Hannah at lhannah@gfwinc.com for more information.



WORKFORCE & WAFFLES

Get an edge when it comes to workforce, talent retention, and company culture. These Visionary Investor-only breakfasts include tips and insights from expert panels, tailored specifically for executives, HR professionals, and rising leaders.

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INTER-CITY VISITS

Join us for these annual tours of America's best-in-class communities, where we meet and greet local leaders and learn best practices for improving Allen County. Projects like Promenade Park, Electric Works, and The Landing originated on—or were shaped by—Inter-City Visits.

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C-SUITE SOCIALS

When executives (and their families) are new to Fort Wayne, we're here to roll out the red carpet. Meet fellow newcomers and get acquainted with your new hometown as we showcase the best our community has to offer.

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MEMBERSHIP EDUCATION



MAXIMIZE YOUR MEMBERSHIP

We want to help your business thrive! Join us for a Maximize Your Membership session—you'll learn the tips and tricks to make the most of your member benefits. You can also meet your fellow GFW Inc. members and GFW Inc. staff.

Contact Kimi Wilder at kwilder@gfwinc.com for more information.

BUILD YOUR BUSINESS AND A BETTER ALLEN COUNTY

When you're part of Greater Fort Wayne Inc., you're not just investing in yourself and your business. You're investing in a better community. And the return on investment is tough to beat.

We're building a nationally recognized economy right here in Allen County. Join us.

APPLY TODAY AT [JOIN.GFWINC.COM](https://join.gfwinc.com)

MEMBER BENEFITS INCLUDE:



Connections and learning opportunities.

Connecting to the business community is one of the best ways to grow your business, elevate your profile, and develop your skills. We'll get you plugged in.



Exclusive discounts and business services.

Save money with investor-to-investor discounts on business-critical items like office supplies, phone and broadband service, and continuing education.



A better Allen County.

We champion the bold projects that make our community a better place to live and do business—and it's paying off. Since 2014, we've worked with companies that created \$557 million in new annual payroll. That money flows right back into our local business community.

TAKE THE NEXT STEP.

Start building the connections that build your business. Check out our upcoming events and book your reservations today.

SEE THE EVENTS CALENDAR AT [EVENTS.GFWINC.COM](https://events.gfwinc.com)



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