

Be Noble

Noble County Economic Development



July 2022



JOIN US!

Wednesday, July 27

8:00 - 9:30AM
(doors open at 7:30)

**Noble County
Economic Development
ANNUAL MEETING**

Join us to hear the latest economic development updates and outlooks for Noble County, Indiana. Light breakfast selections will be provided.

at the



noblecountyedc.com

221 S Main Street, Kendallville

RESERVE NOW FOR BE NOBLE ANNUAL MEETING

Save the Date!

September 22, 2022

9 A.M.-Noon

Employer Seminar

Sweetwater Sound
5501 U.S. 30 West
Fort Wayne, IN 46818

Among the topics:

- Child Care Resources
- Diversity in the Workplace
- Recruitment Strategies
- Work Opportunity Tax Credit Program

Please mark your calendar. Event registration to follow.

Hosted by:



ETG funding program returns

Kim Tempel, the Senior Director of Business Services/Human Resources at Northeast Indiana Works, is actively reaching out to employers in Noble County ahead of the return of Indiana's Employer Training Grant (ETG) program in 2022. She has advised that new funding to reimburse employers for eligible employee training will soon be announced under ETG 6.0, but with some changes to the program. Among the highlights to note is that 25% of the funding available in Northeast Indiana will be "set

Get more info

aside" to serve employers and new employees who have not previously received ETG funding. A [new website](#) (nextleveljobs will soon become obsolete) provides more information now and will be updated in the days ahead.

Additional points of note:

- The application for ETG will not open on July 1 but is anticipated to open in late July or early August.
- The amount of funding for the region is not yet determined.
- Employers will be required to provide their Indiana State Unemployment Tax Authorization (SUTA) number at application.
- Reimbursements available are based on actual training costs and type of training provided.
- Training is for new or existing employees
- Eligible industries remain unchanged: Advanced Manufacturing, Technology and Business Services, Transportation and Logistics, Health and Life Sciences, Building and Construction, and Agriculture.
- New employees must receive a minimum wage of \$17/hour to be eligible.
- Existing employees must receive a 3% wage increase to be eligible.
- Training must be for jobs skills and align to an eligible occupation and be at least 40 hours in duration.
- Trainees must be retained for at least six months following completion, or be a high school student enrolled in a work-based learning program

ETG may provide:

- Up to \$5,000 per employee for training that results in post-secondary credential or nationally-recognized industry credential.
- Up to \$3,000 per employee for specialty "company" training.
- Up to \$1,000 for high school students enrolled in work-based learning program(s).

Kim will provide any help needed with training program descriptions and more. Please contact her at (260) 260-469-4311 or ktempel@neinworks.org to learn more or to apply.

BOLLHOFF

Company investing in Kendallville

The Economic Development Advisory Committee (EDAC) in Kendallville has given the thumbs up for Bollhoff to be granted a tax abatement on new manufacturing equipment. The company presented an application to EDAC outlining the planned purchase of \$3.78 million in new machines that will reportedly enable the local employer to localize production that would otherwise likely go to plants in China or Brazil. The abatement request will next be reviewed by the Kendallville Common Council.

Last lots in industrial park sold

Avilla Town Council has accepted an offer for the last lot in the new Avilla East Industrial Park. The sale of 55 acres was completed in early June. Construction is now underway for

Lake Lite (Solar Land LLC), a company that recently purchased 10 acres in the park and announced plans to build a 20,000 square foot facility this spring. More announcements regarding plans for the 55 acres are expected sometime soon.



[Learn more & apply](#)

Funding for historic renovation available

The Historic Renovation Grant Program will open for applications on July 6, according to Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch and the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs. Applicants with an eligible historic commercial structure can apply for project funding between \$5,000 and \$100,000. The request must be no more than 50% of eligible project costs, with the local match being greater than or equal to 50% of the total eligible project costs.

To be considered for funding, applicants must receive a Certificate of Approval from the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology by Aug. 28, 2022. Completed grant applications must be received by OCRA before 4 p.m. ET on Oct. 5, 2022. Eligible applicants include non-profits, individuals, partnerships, firms, associations, joint

ventures, limited liability companies, corporations or non-profit affordable housing organizations.



A ceremony was held on Friday, June 3 in the courtyard of the brand new Noble County Courthouse Annex in downtown Albion. County officials held a ribbon cutting to mark the occasion, which comes eight years after conducting a space study and exploring opportunities to better serve taxpayers. The \$15 million project will cost the typical Noble County homeowner about \$14.50 per year. (Photo by Steve Garbacz, KPC Media, shared with permission.)

Noble County Parks & Recreation SUMMIT 2022

Wednesday, July 27

10 AM - 12 PM

Noble County South Complex - Dekko Room (lower level)
2090 N SR 9, Albion

Meeting of all partners and stakeholders in parks and recreation in Noble County, IN.

Join the Noble County Parks & Recreation Board of Directors for an opportunity to network, offer community and organizational updates, and share opportunities to collaborate, leverage funding, and more.

Open Q&A and discussion. Attendance is free! Light refreshments will be provided. **RSVP: <https://bit.ly/3wGsO7u>**

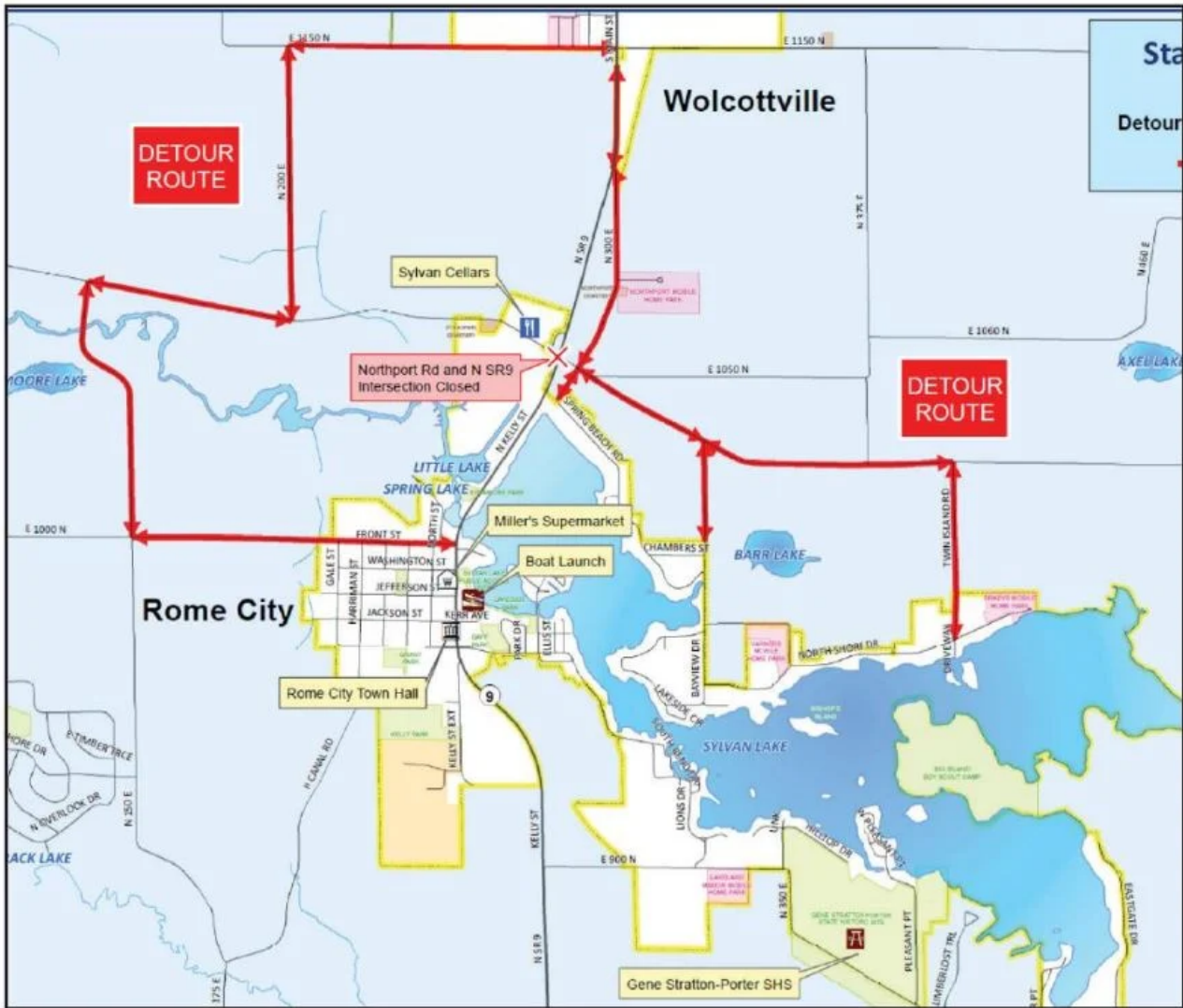


"Alone we can do so little;
together we can do so much."

- Helen Keller

<https://noblecoparks.wixsite.com/website>





CONTRIBUTED

During the S.R. 9 closure at Northport Road near Rome City, local traffic may use Front Street west to C. R. 150E, north to West Northport Road, east to C.R. 200E, north to C.R. 1150N (county line) and east into Wolcottville, south on S.R. to C.R. 300E, then east on Northport Road.

Congratulations to **Scott and Yvonne Cole**, recognized for their many community contributions by being named Grand Marshalls of Albion's Chain O'Lakes Festival parade in 2022. The parade drew large crowds to the county's center on Saturday, June 11.



Be Noble Inc. (EDC), 110 S Orange St, Albion, IN 46701, 260-636-3800

[Unsubscribe](#) [Manage preferences](#)

Send free email today

HubSpot



Be Noble



Be Noble