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Consultant Connect Announces North America's Top 50 Economic Developers of 2024

KALAMAZOO, Michigan – Consultant Connect, a consulting agency designed to bridge the gap between economic developers and site consultants, announces its 2024 list of North America's Top 50 Economic Developers. The economic development professionals selected for this list were nominated by their colleagues in both the economic development and site location consulting industries for excellent practices, innovation, and success in building the communities they serve.

Beginning June 3rd, we'll be shining a spotlight on each of the Top 50 Economic Developers across our selected social media platforms, LinkedIn and Twitter. These individuals will have the chance to provide their industry expertise, leadership insights, and career advice to their peers. At Consultant Connect, we're dedicated to elevating the economic development sector by honoring outstanding professionals like these. On November 21th we'll be presenting the awards to these deserving recipients at our ECONOMIX event in Salt Lake City, UT.

"At Consultant Connect, we see economic development as more than just changing communities—it's about creating jobs that touch lives. It's an honor for us to spotlight North America's top economic developers and the impact they make on the communities they serve."

The complete list of North America's Top 50 Economic Developers of 2024 includes:

Andrea Enders

REDI Cincinnati

Ann Blair Miller

Roanoke Regional Partnership

Antoine Long

City of DeSoto, TX

Ashlee Chilton

Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development

Ashley Busada, CEcD

Greater Phoenix Economic Council (GPEC)

Becky Harrington

Delaware Prosperity Partnership

Benjamin Moore

Community Champion

Bert Roach, B.A., MEDP

Woodlands County

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Bethany Hartley

South Bend - Elkhart Regional Partnership

William Murphy, IOM, CEcD, EDFP

Ardmore Development Authority

Brian Vasa

Nebraska Public Power District

Callie Cook

Tennessee Department of Economic and
Community Development

Cathleen Fournoy

Missouri Partnership

Clark Duncan

Asheville Area Chamber of Commerce

Daniel Clark

New York City Economic Development Corporation

David Putnam, CEcD, CWD

Alamance Chamber

Donna Gillespie

Kingston Economic Development Corporation

Dylan Horne

Metro Atlanta Chamber

Eric Icard

The Right Place

Erin Farr

Economic Development Corporation of Utah

Erin Silk, CEcD

Economic Development Corporation of Sarasota
County

Gabriella Nuzzo

Greater Jackson Alliance

Haley Tomlinson

Duke Energy Corporation

Heather C. Smith, EDFP, CPM

Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation

Jennifer Lantz

Wilson Economic Development Council

Jose Romano

Economic Development Professional

Julie Carrier

Investissement Québec

Karthik Avadhanula

JobsOhio

Katie Grigar

Tulsa Regional Chamber

Keith Lund

Grand Forks Region Economic Development
Corporation

Kim Wilmes

Greater Oklahoma City Chamber

Kimberly Young

KC Animal Health Corridor

Kimberly Rossetti

BE NKY Growth Partnership

Kyle Wagner

City of Henderson

Louis David

New Orleans Business Alliance

Marc Valenzuela

Salt River Project

Marvin Price

Greensboro Chamber of Commerce

Mary Lesa Pegg

Economic Development Partnership of
North Carolina (EDPNC)

Matthew McCollister

One Columbus

Michael Talley

McKinney Economic Development Corporation

Monique Claiborne

Greater Portland Inc

Moriah Williams

Wichita Falls Chamber

Peter Milano

Massachusetts Office of Business Development

Ray Farley

Alliance Pickens. South Carolina. USA

Russell Richardson

Baton Rouge Area Chamber

Ryan Smith (Deceased)

City of Las Vegas

Stevie Phillips

Cooperative Energy

Tamika Jenkins, CEcD

Hinds County Economic Development Authority

Victoria Ross-Frost, CEcD

Indiana Municipal Power Agency

William (Skip) Scaggs

North Mississippi Industrial Development
Association

About Consultant Connect

Consultant Connect works to bridge the gap between leading economic developers and site location consultants through exclusive networking events, educational services and leadership development. Consultant Connect not only gives economic developers an inside look into the world of site selection – it gives them the applicable information necessary to propel their careers and communities forward. For more information, please visit www.consultantconnect.org.

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