

COMMUNITY REPORT





We should all take pride in the accomplishments to date; it is from the solid foundation laid to sustainably grow and enrich Sheboygan County's economic future we now move forward on to our newly enhanced strategic plan. Our mutual commitment is helping to promote Sheboygan County as a livable, viable, and equitable region — one where we embrace economic prosperity, cultural vibrancy, and environmental aesthetics to create a sustainable legacy for future generations.

Thank you for supporting the SCEDC in Keeping the Promise that businesses and people here can simply Do More.

- SCEDC Executive Committee

Mission

The Sheboygan County Economic Development Corporation, a countywide private/public partnership, leads economic development efforts to improve the economic well-being and long-term prosperity of the businesses, residents, and communities of Sheboygan County.

Vision

To be the premier private/public partnership leading collaborative retention, expansion, and attraction efforts for business and employment development in Sheboygan County.

Major Service Areas

The SCEDC is a one-stop shop assisting businesses to grow by optimizing strategic decisions and providing timely, accurate information.

Non-Traditional Finance

- Knowledge of available loan programs
- Navigate federal, state and local incentives
- Solution-oriented financing and loan structures

Site Selection (Business Location Consulting)

- Comprehensive list of available industrial, retail and office property
- Maps of incentive districts
- Industry-specific cooperative initiatives
- Provide local market information (tax & utility rates, demographics, etc.)

Workforce Development

- Hiring incentives
- Employee training programs & grants
- Job marketing consultation
- Results-orientated HR evaluation and solutions

Customized Service

- Addressing community questions and concerns
- Remove man-made obstacles to growth
- Advocating on your behalf to enhance your company's growth



6 We approached SCEDC in mid - 2013 to explore assistance with financing our multi-million dollar printing press project. It was quite an education. The SCEDC did an excellent job of letting us know what our options were — interest rate options, tax credits, grants, training dollars assistance, everything that can help with the cost of financing. Then SCEDC connected us with key agencies and programs to optimize financing and ROI. Their staff showed us the overall scope of what's available, and followed through to help us, and the agencies we chose to work with, stay on task.

> Tom Liebl, President / COO Sheboygan Paper Box Co.

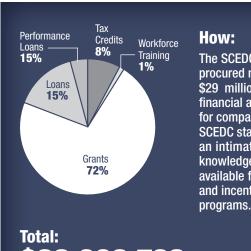
5-Year SCEDC Accomplishments



make expansion and investment decisions

quickly based on accurate, timely information.





The SCEDC has procured nearly \$29 million in financial assistance for companies. SCEDC staff have an intimate knowledge of available financing and incentive

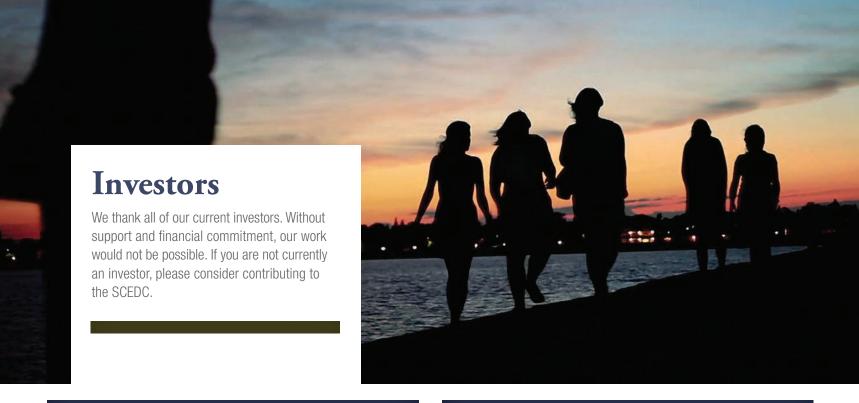
\$28,998,762

Actual Numbers:

Grants: \$20.797.500 **Loans:** \$4,415,000

Performance Loans: \$1,175,000 Tax Credits: \$2,325,000

Workforce Training: \$286,262



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2015 - 2017 Program Synopsis

Business Retention and Expansion

- Non-traditional finance consultation
- Business location consultation
- Business outreach
 - Remove man-made obstacles to growth
 - Advocating on a business's behalf
- Entrepreneurial | business plan assistance

Attraction Marketing

- County development promotion
 - Sell the County at real estate tradeshows
 - Provide familiarization tours to developers
 - Reply to business relocation RFPs
- Community preparedness
 - Selling community business parks and commercial corridors
 - Encourage community development best practices

Workforce Development

- Grow our own workforce
 - Encourage K-16 direct connections with employers
- Attract new workers
- Value-added tools to local HR departments
 - Promote community as ideal place to work
- Catalyze county-wide HR best practices

Outreach

- Gain earned media
 - Spread positive economic news in and outside of Sheboygan County
 - Encourage the area to be seen in a positive light
- Host the premier local business event, our SCEDC Annual Meeting
- Recognize an Economic Driver of the Year

Economic Driver of the Year Recipients

2010 | Lou Gentine, Sargento Foods, Inc.

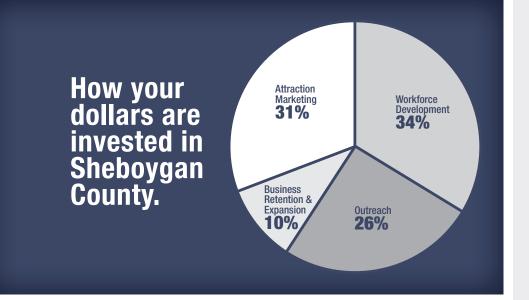
2011 | Ben Salzmann, ACUITY Insurance

2012 | Randy Benz, American Orthodontics

2013 | Terry Kohler, Windway Capital Corp.

2014 | Richard Bemis, Peter Bemis, and Bemis

Manufacturing Company



Room for Improvement

6 6 8,658 people work in Sheboygan County, but do NOT live in Sheboygan County.

> - 2010 US Census, American Community Survey

Invest in the Economic Future of Sheboygan County!

We would like your company or self to become an annual investor in the SCEDC. We are a 501(c)4 non-profit and depend on annual commitments from organizations and people like you. If you are interested in becoming an investor, please fill out the attached remittance form and mail to the SCEDC.

OR make your payment online at SheboyganCountyEDC.com/Support









The SCEDC has several levels of annual investor commitment. Each level has its own perks of investment; see enclosed materials for details. Foundations and individuals can make tax-deductible investments to the 501(c)3 SCEDC Foundation.

Investor Levels

Economic Driver: \$100,000 and above **Promise Keeper:** \$25,000 - \$99,999 **SCEDC Champion:** \$15,000 - \$24,999 **Diamond Sponsor:** \$10,000 - \$14,999 **Platinum Sponsor:** \$5,000 - \$9,999 **Gold Sponsor:** \$2,500 - \$4,999 **Silver Sponsor:** \$1,000 - \$2,499 **Bronze Sponsor:** \$500 - \$999 **Associate Sponsor:** \$250 - \$499

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