

MCKINNEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

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To:

MEDC Board

From: John Valencia

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Subject:

November 18, 2014 MEDC Board Meeting; BREP Report/Update

Business Retention & Expansion Program

On the retention side, all is good at this time. The Encore expansion is advanced to the stage they are beginning to install equipment. In speaking with Daniel Jones, CEO of Encore, he is excited to see the progress as it's ahead of schedule and that means the production schedule can be ahead as well, and they're ready!

The StatLab relocation project continues with the same favorable schedule as well. And across the street, the four acre site Lawton Group purchased from us, although doesn't have dirt turning, does have a lot of design and engineering work going on. Schedule now is a Spring 2015 start and Fall completion.

Other expansions are being discussed, but nothing concrete at the moment.

Emerging Technology

At this time we have six (6) active companies in the Program with one of these applying for year number two.

In the last couple of weeks we have been introduced to a few more opportunities in the technology start up area and will continue to work them with possible application in the near term.

McKinney Werx (formerly the Collide Center)

Currently there are 17 Startups with 30 persons in McKinney Werx. (See the attached Resident Profiles)

Management status will be discussed in Executive Session.

75 Construction Communication

We continue to try our best as a Community to keep those affected most with how the project is going and updates. There were no complaints in particular reported to be investigated. Here following are some current updates:

US 75 from SH 121 to US 380

- The two outside lanes of the Frontage Roads should be complete by Thanksgiving with two exceptions.
 - At Wilson creek, the northbound and southbound frontage road bridges are planned to be completed by the end of the year.
 - At Eldorado, there will only be one lane of the southbound frontage road completed.
- The main lanes are planned to be completed by the end of 2015.

Us 75 from Wilmeth to Telephone

- We expect a major traffic switch in December to move traffic from the east side to the west side so crews can work on the northbound main lanes.
- The project is planned to be completed in the summer of 2015.

The Team here continues to work hard in promoting our wonderful community. These are exciting times and we are blessed to be a part of McKinney!

Respectfully Submitted,

John Valencia

Director of Business Retention, Expansion & Emerging Technology MCKINNEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORP.



McKinney WERX: Resident Companies Profiles

ARK Safe Rooms: Redefining and innovating a new standard of home safety and sustainability. We design safety products that help people plan and prepare for natural disasters.

Caffeine Cowboy Coffee Company is the purveyor of elite, exotic, and exclusive coffee, and cultural coffee accessories. Our mission is to educate the coffee consumer.

Curious Marketplaces is a series of online marketplaces dedicated to specific passions, associations, and publications, that allow a safe outlet to buy, sell and trade the things you love with others who share in common interests.

Happy Muffin Top: Formed by industry vets, Robert M. Atkins, Richard Luong and Adrian Carmack, with a distinctively inspired vision, Happy Muffin Top is dedicated to reaching households and families around the world with quality interactive entertainment

HealthBloks provides software that closes the gap in communication between health care providers and their patients; improving efficiency in the medical practice and providing patients with more insight and control over their care."

iCoachSoft is a cloud-based application for smart executive coaching professionals to manage their clients, and run all aspects of their practice efficiently through a single application.

Jackalope Jobs helps job seekers find jobs by with a patent pending platform combining intelligent searching and social networking. A Social Job Discovery Platform.

Klinkert Software and Services, Inc., provides to organizations with medium to large sized communications networks, with unique computer aided design software and consulting services that solves for the optimal network topology, which is critical for initiatives such as cost takeout of operational networks, and minimum cost architectures for new networks.

Knomadix is a next generation mobile enterprise App development platform company. We will enable the development of enterprise grade mobile Apps without the need for programmers.

MatraMoney allows engaged couples to raise funds from friends and family towards specific items for their wedding, reception, and honeymoon.

New Dimensions is a financial management firm that is creating an interactive, second-generation digital book in conjunction with an easy to use portfolio allocation website for unsophisticated investors.

PestRoutes is cloud based software that allows pest control companies to manage their office from anywhere, with a paperless system application.

RAR Enterprise

Skvare builds online presence and community management tools for non-profit organizations, professional societies, membership-driven associations, and small businesses

Smarty Pants Media Solutions, Content Strategy for Savvy Entrepreneurs Web content strategy that strips away the internet time and money vacuum and focuses on what matters – results.

Talent River controls the flow of talent into your organization. We are a managed service provider of talent acquisition strategies and technologies.

TeacherTube is a website for all the resources you need to know about math, art, educational videos, economics, physics, chemistry, biology, medicine, finance, history, and more. We provide it all for FREE. Watch, read and learn more about education content, Common Core, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills TEKS.

UpstartCatalyst is a program that provides startup companies with a complete business infrastructure including CTO services and a full software development team, among other shared business services. Upstart Catalyst starts where accelerators end.