

2017 Annual Review



a note from our president

The Falls City EDGE Executive Committee, Board of Directors and staff are pleased to present our 2017 EDGE annual review. As you can see, it has been an exciting and productive year for us. We have worked diligently to attract new industrial development, encourage existing business growth and facilitate in the educational advancement of our regional workforce.

Our industrial park is fully occupied and diversified and we welcomed two new tenants, Falls City Foods and Kearney Welding. These two projects generated \$2.1 million dollars in capital investment and are on their way to adding a total of 26 new jobs. We saw over \$2 million dollars invested in existing business ventures with the expansions and upgrades at Armbruster Motor Company, the Grand Weaver Hotel and The Ames Companies. In addition, our marketing and sales team conducted Corporate Headquarter visits to The Ames Companies and Consolidated Grain and Barge where we heard great things about future investments and continued employment growth.

In the workforce development arena we are excited to report Southeast Community College plans to break ground on the Falls City Learning Center in 2018! The addition of this facility will help bolster skills based programming in our region. In 2017, EDGE highlighted the importance of manufacturing careers by offering scholarships to local industries for employee skills upgrade and hosting a national Manufacturing Day event with nearly 300 middle school students touring six of our local industries.

Economic development takes strategy, planning and volunteerism and we would like to thank everyone who gives their time and talents to support our economic development program year after year. We are seeing real dividends and with the positive environment we are operating in we believe anything is possible with continued hard work and dedication. In 2018, EDGE pledges to continue to serve as a catalyst for growth in this region.

Ray Joy #fallscityproud

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WE ♥ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

REASONS

INDUSTRIAL PARK



Occupied & Diversified
with

8

companies.

38



DEDICATED

board and committee
members who are our
backbone of the
organization.

121

GENEROUS

EDGE INVESTORS

2017 JOB GROWTH

28
industrial
positions
gained



\$135K

PER YEAR
IN PUBLIC
CONTRIBUTIONS

JOBS & ECONOMIC IMPACT

EDGE PROJECTS

have added \$276,267
ANNUALLY to the
property tax base.

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\$74,150

ANNUAL PRIVATE
INVESTMENTS

INPUTS → OUTPUTS
OUTCOMES ↺

WE ♥ COUNTY 19