OUR MISSION

The mission of the RCEDC is to ensure the economic vitality of Racine County by working with our partners to support innovation and creativity that leads to business investment.

What does your business need?

Plant Expansion
Business Growth
Relocation
Land & Building Searches
Incentives
Market Research/Diversification
Peer Networking
Small Business Resources
Start-Up Assistance
Workforce Development
Low Interest Loans
Capital Investments
Asset Acquisition
Job Fairs/Recruitment Events

“The RCEDC is a very professional economic development organization which dealt with J.M. Mullis quickly and with all of our firm’s initial requests and ongoing needs. The RCEDC Staff were excellent listeners and responders to the requirements for the United Natural Foods, Inc. (UNFI) project. The economic development organization is one of the best that our firm has dealt with in all of the Midwestern U.S.”

— Mike Mullis, J.M. Mullis Business Location Consultant

The Racine County Economic Development Corporation (RCEDC) and our partners provide business with almost every service needed to complete an expansion, relocation, financing, or workforce development project. Our dedicated staff is committed to meeting the needs of Racine County, Wisconsin businesses and companies interested in expanding or locating in the Chicago-Milwaukee Corridor.
**Employer & Workforce Services**

Valerie Hanson  
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Valerie’s team at the Racine County Workforce Development Center partners with local businesses to assist them with workforce development issues and recruitment needs.  

- Employer Recruitment Events  
- Job Fairs  
- On-the-job Training Grants  
- Employer Workshops and Roundtable Sessions

**Business Expansion**

Laura Million  
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Laura helps access business development resources to help grow your business. She brings her expertise in navigating all aspects of your expansion project including:  

- Company Expansion Projects  
- Site and Location Options  
- State and Municipal Incentives  
- Financing Options  
- Strategic Resources

**Business Financing**

Carolyn Engel  
262-898-7420  
carolyn@blp504.org

With over 20 years of financing experience with local companies, Carolyn and her team at Business Lending Partners (BLP), assist companies in achieving their expansion goals by offering low-interest, attractive term financing options.  

- Low Interest, Long Term Financing Options  
- SBA 504 Loans  
- Local Revolving Loan Funds

**Business Recruitment**

Jenny Trick  
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Jenny applies over 20 years of economic development expertise to companies seeking locations in Racine County.  

- New Company Recruitment Assistance  
- Market and Workforce Data  
- Site and Location Options  
- State and Municipal Incentives

**Entrepreneurial Assistance**

Kristin Niemiec  
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Kristin connects local entrepreneurs, inventors, and business owners with local partners and resources through RCEDC’s Launch Box initiative.  

- Resources for Entrepreneurs, Inventors and Small Business Owners  
- Connections to Partner Resources:  
  - Business Plan Assistance  
  - Licensing and Permits  
  - Business Education and Training  
  - Workforce and Staffing

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**“The RCEDC staff was responsive, communicative and thorough in their assistance. They helped us navigate through the process with the local and state municipalities to successfully secure the incentive package that influenced our decision to stay in Racine County and in Wisconsin. I cannot speak highly enough concerning the assistance that RCEDC provided to us during this process.”**  
— Steve Birkholz, Racine Railroad

**“RCEDC (Business Lending Partners) was a driving force in helping us find a path to grow Summit Tool Works. The deal was complicated at times and RCEDC provided clarity when we needed it most. They were quick with suggestions and met all of the dates as promised.”**  
— Hans Hansen, Summit Tool Works