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City of Fort Wayne Earns Designation as an IACT Green Community

INDIANAPOLIS – The Indiana Association of Cities and Towns (IACT) announced that Fort Wayne has been designated as an **IACT Green Community**. Fort Wayne will receive its designation during an Annual Awards Luncheon, Oct. 7, at noon during the 2013 IACT Annual Conference & Exhibition in Indianapolis.

IACT launched the Green Communities Initiative in 2008 to identify potential cost savings to communities facing budget shortfalls, promote economically competitive quality of life concepts, and ultimately serve as role models for citizens while better protecting our environment. The initiative will expand educational opportunities for municipalities and create a consolidated clearinghouse of data and programs that can be accessed by municipalities.

“The City of Fort Wayne is a leader in using efficient and effective practices to better serve our community,” said Fort Wayne Mayor Tom Henry. “Being designated as an IACT Green Community demonstrates our commitment to protecting the environment as we implement programs that maximize our financial resources and enhance the quality of life in Fort Wayne. Each day we strive to engage, innovate, and perform to make a positive difference for citizens and businesses.”

To be recognized as an **IACT Green Community**, Fort Wayne had to meet a minimum score on a 49-question survey in the areas of purchasing, operations, measuring success, and sample



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projects, with scoring considerations given to the size of the community and the likelihood it would or could implement certain types of programs.

IACT Green Communities Designation Recipients:

Carmel, Cicero, Evansville, Fort Wayne, Westfield, Whiting

2013 Green Community of the Year Award Winners:

Evansville, Westfield, Whiting

Conference Facts:

2013 IACT Annual Conference and Exhibition

October 6-8, 2013

JW Marriott, Indianapolis

Further information: www.citiesandtowns.org

The Indiana Association of Cities and Towns (IACT) is a coalition of municipal officials who seek to improve the quality of life in Indiana through effective government, and is a member of the National League of Cities. Founded in 1891, IACT is one of the oldest state municipal organizations in the country, with 470 cities and towns as members. IACT advocates for municipalities as the official voice of municipal government in Indiana, and promotes good government through education, training and leadership.