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IACT Announces Fishers and Whiting 2015 Green Communities of the Year

FRENCH LICK, IN. – The Indiana Association of Cities and Towns (IACT) announced that two Indiana cities have achieved **2015 IACT Green Community of the Year** distinctions. The cities of Fishers and Whiting will receive their awards during the IACT Annual Awards Luncheon presented by Umbaugh, Sept. 30, at 11:30 a.m. during the 2015 IACT Annual Conference & Exhibition in French Lick.

IACT launched the Green Communities Initiative in 2008 in conjunction with Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd., 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.

“This is a fantastic program that allows cities and towns to showcase their hard work and commitment to smart, efficient practices. The survey these communities complete is extremely comprehensive and gives a great deal of credibility to the Green Community designations.” said IACT Executive Director and CEO Matt Greller.

Representatives from participating cities had to fill out a 51-question survey in the areas of purchasing, operations, measuring success, and sample projects. Not only did Fishers and Whiting meet the minimum score required to be a **Green Community**, they earned the highest score in their population category to become a **2015 IACT Green Community of the Year**.

2015 IACT Green Community of the Year Award Winners:

Fishers (50,000+)
Whiting (1 – 4,999)



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2015 IACT Green Community Designation Recipients:

Fishers, Cicero, Union City, Whiting

The IACT Annual Conference and Exhibition is open to media who may attend the Awards Luncheon, opening and closing business sessions. Please request a media credential at the IACT registration desk in the French Lick Springs Hotel and Conference Center. Media must be credentialed before entering conference events.

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.

Conference Facts:

2015 IACT Annual Conference and Exhibition

September 29 – October 1

French Lick Springs Hotel and Conference Center

Attendance: 800 (pending final registration count)

Further information: www.citiesandtowns.org