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**IACT Announces Green Communities of the Year**

INDIANAPOLIS – The Indiana Association of Cities and Towns (IACT) announced that three Indiana cities have achieved **2014 IACT Green Community of the Year** distinctions. The cities of Fort Wayne, Greencastle and Whiting will receive their awards during an Annual Awards Luncheon, Sept. 10, at 11:30 a.m. during the 2014 IACT Annual Conference & Exhibition in Fort Wayne.

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.

Representatives from participating cities had to fill out a 49-question survey in the areas of purchasing, operations, measuring success, and sample projects. Not only did Fort Wayne, Greencastle and Whiting meet the minimum score required to be a **Green Community**, they earned the highest score in their population category to become a **2014 IACT Green Community of the Year**.



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2014 IACT Green Community of the Year Award Winners:

Fort Wayne (50,000+)

Greencastle (10,000 – 49,999)

Whiting (1 – 4,999)

2014 IACT Green Community Designation Recipients:

Fort Wayne, Fishers, Noblesville, Greencastle, Westfield, Whiting, Union City

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 Grand Wayne Convention 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:

2014 IACT Annual Conference and Exhibition

September 9-11

Grand Wayne Convention Center, Fort Wayne

Attendance: 1,000 (pending final registration count)

Further information: [www.citiesandtowns.org](http://www.citiesandtowns.org)