



2023 Mid-Year Digest



Nick Stevens – Board Chair

Old National Bank

2023 Board Chair Appointed

In January, we announced the 2023 Board of Directors, including Nick Stevens as our new Board Chair. Nick, a Commercial Relationship Manager at Old National Bank, has been involved with the Dubois Strong Board for 14 years and has recently served as the Board's Vice Chair. We're excited to have Nick in this role and to welcome a few new members to our Board, bringing diverse expertise and insight to our work. A full board listing can be found on our [website](#).



Please consider investing in Dubois Strong in 2023.

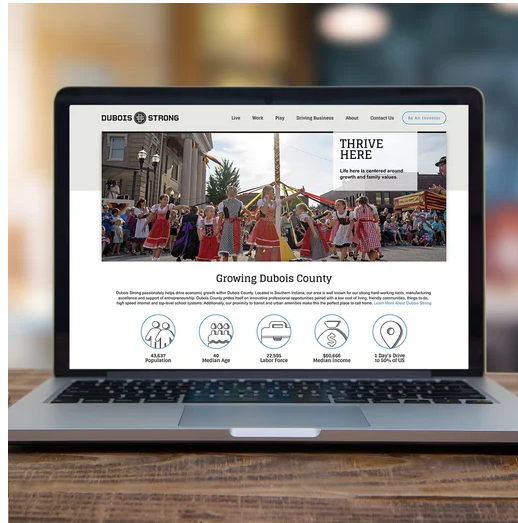
Investment Campaign

Our 2023 Investment Campaign begin in January. As a public-private partnership, half of our economic development funding comes from community-minded businesses and organizations like yours. See a full list of our investors on our [website](#).



Ed Cole Named Businessperson of Year

Congratulations to Dubois Strong President, Ed Cole, on being named Business Person of the Year at the Dubois County Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting on February 23rd! Read more [here](#). {Ed Cole Pictured Center}



Redesigned Website

Have you seen our website lately?

We hadn't had a web update in over a decade, so we thought it was time to freshen things up. Our redesigned website features new photography, downloadable resources, the ability to take investment payments online, and dedicated advertising space for our top tie investors. Check out our new look [here](#).



Relocation Impact Grants

Our Dubois County Relocation Impact Grant recipients have been making headlines! Read about the [Hasslebring family](#) and their move to Dubois County, as well as [Anthony Tarullo's new job](#) right here in our county.



We're Hiring!

Our Office Manager, Brenda Heeke, is ready to retire! We're in seek of someone to fill her (very big) shoes. Read more about the position and how to apply [here](#).



Hoops & Hops Competition

Congratulations to our own Ed Cole, President of Dubois Strong, for winning third place in the Wheat Beer category at the [Radius Indiana](#) Hoops & Hops Home Brew Competition!

The event was held Saturday, March 18th at St. Benedict's at Jasper River Centre. Congratulations, Ed!



2023 Annual Meeting

The Dubois Strong 2023 Annual Meeting was held the evening of Thursday, April 20th at the Thyen-Clark Cultural Center in Jasper. You can read more about our celebration from [Dubois County Free Press](#).



Radius Indiana

Dubois Strong Marketing Specialist, Samantha Knies Gray, was invited to sit on the marketing panel at the 2023 Radius Indiana economic development course at French Lick Resort in April. Samantha was asked to speak on marketing planning in regards to economic development and to detail the path to the marketing success Dubois Strong has seen in the past two years.



Childcare Study

The Southern Indiana Gateway Child Care study has been finalized and published. You can read more [here](#). To receive future emails about the Dubois County Child Care Task Force, please email success@duboisstrong.com.



Enterprise Loan Fund

Did you know that Dubois Strong supports current and prospective small business owners with gap financing?

The Enterprise Loan Fund is a program designed to support both retention and expansion of existing business, as well as creation of new business opportunities in Dubois County by providing three basic loan types. Find out more about the ELF by Dubois Strong [here](#).



ROI Quality of Place Award

Congratulations to the City of Jasper and Thyen-Clark Cultural Center on their Quality of Place Attraction Award by the Regional Opportunity Initiative as part of the Indiana Uplands Regional Innovation Awards!

You can read more about the award in the story by [Dubois County Free Press](#)



Housing

On May 3rd, the staff of Dubois Strong and Amy Haase with RDG Planning & Design sat with community leaders for 4 sessions of a Housing Study Listening Session. For some data on affordable housing in Dubois County, please visit this [link](#) -- and stay tuned for an updated housing study.



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