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# WHAT IS JEDCO?

## A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP



Johnston is not just a fantastic place to grow your business, it's a place where you will find helpful and invested partners in the process. For many years, Johnston Economic Development Corporation and the City of Johnston have successfully worked as a public-private partnership to strengthen the city for its residential and working communities.

Our mission is to foster economic growth and opportunity in the Johnston community and the Greater Des Moines region by serving as an advocate for smart development, providing educational and promotional opportunities, and making connections in the economic development sector and business communities.

JEDCO plays an important role in promoting Johnston as a great place to do business and providing assistance to businesses throughout the various

phases of the development process. As a private, nonprofit corporation, JEDCO is positioned to be a problem solver for both developers and the city. By helping developers find the ideal property or building in which to invest, Johnston city leaders can focus on ensuring a smooth development process.

Individuals and business representatives of the Johnston community are encouraged to become members, not only to promote economic growth in the Johnston community through participation in our organization, but also to take advantage of the promotional opportunities we provide to our members.

Learn more about development in Johnston by visiting [growjohnston.com](http://growjohnston.com).

# ANNUAL EVENTS

## NETWORKING & EDUCATIONAL EVENTS FOR DEVELOPMENT PROFESSIONALS

Every year Johnston Economic Development Corporation hosts three annual events in collaboration with the City of Johnston. Each event offers renewed opportunity to learn about the city's various projects directly from Johnston city leaders, as well as to attend a networking reception with leaders in the economic development, commercial and financial industries. Stay tuned for additional events throughout the year.

Members are also invited to attend JEDCO board meetings. For a full schedule of meetings and events, visit [growjohnston.com](http://growjohnston.com).



### Annual Meeting

Elect the newest members of the JEDCO Board of Directors

Stay current on Johnston news with updates from city officials

Enjoy food and drink while networking with other economic development professionals

January



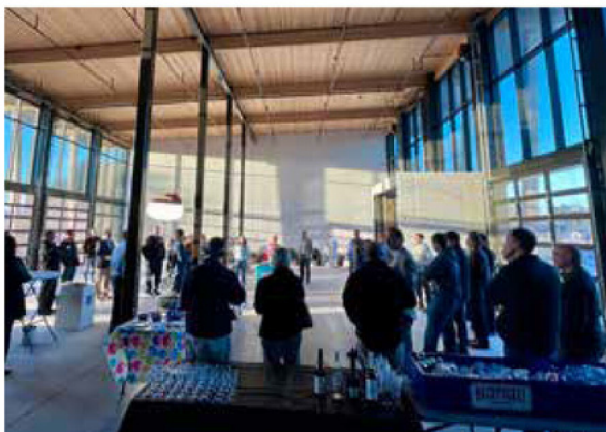
### Development Forum

Learn about the most recent city projects directly from Johnston's development leaders

Listen to a panel discussion addressing the hottest commercial development topics in Johnston

Meet and make a deal (or two) with local development professionals

Spring



### JEDCO/Chamber Bus Tour

Take a firsthand look at upcoming projects in Johnston with a tour of the town

Receive the newest copy of the Johnston Economic Development Guide

Network with economic development professionals

Fall

# JEDCO Board Members

**Grant Taylor, President**  
Hansen Company

**Mike Bonnett**  
Landmark Companies

**J.P. Pearson**  
State Savings Bank

**Tom Foldes, Vice President**  
Bluestone Engineering

**Brian Israel**  
John Deere

**Stuart Ruddy**  
Knapp Properties

**Zach Carlton, Secretary**  
Bank Iowa

**Katie Lord**  
MidAmerican Energy

**John Ryan**  
Ryan Companies

**Dave Melling, Treasurer**  
First National Bank

**Ginger Minear**  
Corteva

**Steve Scott**  
Locate CRE

**Brian Vahle, Past President**  
Liberty National Bank

**Matt Morris**  
Charter Bank

**Manny Toribio**  
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