Our Goal
is to create a unified, coordinated statewide process to address the growth and development needs of existing businesses in Illinois.

We seek to
• Mobilize resources quickly and effectively for companies in Illinois
• Engage and listen to business needs and offer coordinated solutions to issues
• Build relationships and share information among regional partners
• Identify emerging industry trends for resource and policy development

Targeted Industries
Advanced Manufacturing | Biotech Energy | Financial Services
Food & Food Processing | Transportation & Logistics

Become a CORE Partner!
• Email us at info@coreillinois.org to schedule a time to discuss your CORE engagement with a partner
• Go to www.COREIllinois.org to access resources and information
• Register for a Synchronist® user license through your utility partner
• Create a regional strategy with a targeted business list, timeline, goals and metrics
• Schedule business visits and conduct surveys
• Attend training webinars, meetings, and events with your CORE partners
• Input your data into the Synchronist® system for analysis by the program year deadline
• Use your conversations and data to serve businesses in your community

A CORE Success Story
During visits with local manufacturers, many noted the challenge of finding employees with the technical skills needed...so Grundy EDC worked with the businesses and Joliet Junior College to develop the Operations, Engineering and Technician program... The information and knowledge obtained on our retention visits are so valuable...

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