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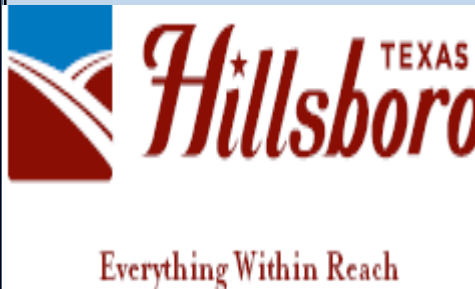
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## Stafford Engaged with Momentive Specialty Chemicals Expansion Announcement

In a ribbon cutting ceremony on September 7, Stafford officials participated in the expansion announcement of Momentive Specialty Chemicals. Stafford's location within the Houston Metro, coupled with the unique fact that **Stafford does not levy property taxes**, serves as a major foundation for its economic development success and growing economy. In addition, MBG represented Stafford at the IEDC annual conference. The firm appreciates the opportunity to assist the Stafford EDC. For information regarding Stafford, contact **MBG**.



**The Hillsboro, TX Labor Market Analysis** findings were presented to the leadership on September 23 in Hillsboro. Findings conclude that Hillsboro has an outstanding supply of labor and that the attitude, work ethic, and loyalty contribute to the high rankings employers gave the labor force in Hillsboro. Contact MBG for Labor Market Analysis information.



**Mike Barnes Group Leads Economic Development Organizations to Site Selector Visits** in the Southeastern United States. MBG facilitated a delegation from the Southeast Texas Economic Development Foundation and the Stafford EDC in meetings with high profile site selectors September 15-20. The firm has worked with any number of these groups over the past 30 years in making projects happen. Contact MBG for this type of service.



**Everman EDC Actively Markets Community**—the Everman, Texas EDC website is now functioning. Please see [evermantxedc.com](http://evermantxedc.com) for information regarding this DFW Metroplex community. The website addresses demographic, business, property, and educational information regarding Everman. David Miracle, Senior Associate, provides on-site economic development services for the firm. Mike Barnes represented Everman at the annual IEDC conference in Charlotte. Contact MBG regarding opportunities in Everman or how the firm can assist your organization's economic development efforts.

**SETEDF continues to provide a regional focus on economic development.** The Mike Barnes Group appreciates the opportunity to have provided leadership and direction to this newly founded organization these past three years. The firm established its Strategic Plan, assisted in the formation of the organization, provided marketing services and mentoring activities to the staff. The organization has blossomed into a full service, competitive economic development entity serving Southeast Texas. Contact Jessica Hill at (409) 838-6586 x109 or the Mike Barnes Group for information regarding opportunities within Hardin, Jefferson, and Orange Counties in Southeast Texas.



**Mike Barnes provided the keynote address, "Trends in Economic Development,"** to the September 22 meeting of the Texas Municipal League, Region 9 in Hillsboro. The firm has provided both corporate and community services within this region of Texas extensively. For information regarding Mike Barnes



Make your plans to attend the TEDC Annual Conference in Ft. Worth!

Make your plans to attend the TML Annual Conference in Houston!



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