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Macomb County economic development team nets record results in 2017

As part of National Economic Development Week taking place May 7 through May 12, the Macomb County Department of Planning and Economic Development announced that in 2017, its clients invested more than \$417.4 million in new equipment and space while retaining 2,140 jobs and creating 3,729 new ones.

County business development staff provide free and confidential services to businesses of all sizes to help them thrive and grow within the region.

“These investment figures continue to illustrate the progress and impact of our department’s business development services,” said MCPED Director John Paul Rea. “Working collaboratively with our communities and business development partners, we are achieving our goal to help companies grow.”

Highlighted projects from 2017 include:

- A \$70 million investment by Amazon to build a transportation logistics center in Shelby Township. The 100,000-square-foot building is expected to offer an estimated 1,000 new jobs to the community.
- Grupo Antolin, an auto supplier headquartered in Spain, invested \$63.7 million in Shelby Township to build a new plant. The suppliers will provide door panels to Fiat Chrysler Automobiles for the 2019 Ram pickup truck.
- St. John Macomb-Oakland Hospital announced a \$48.1 million expansion to its Warren Campus. The investment will increase the number of private rooms available to patients.

Overall, the investments made in 2017 represent a healthy mix of industries including defense, aerospace, advanced manufacturing, food processing and health care.

National Economic Development Week was created and is coordinated by The International Economic Development Council. It is being held during the week of the organization’s 92nd anniversary as the largest professional membership organization for economic developers.

To learn more about the Macomb County Department of Planning and Economic Development and business in Macomb County, visit <http://business.macombgov.org/business-home>.

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