



What is the Economic Development Council?

The Overland Park Economic Development Council (OPEDC) was established in 1989 to attract, expand and retain the Overland Park business base. The program is an investment partnership among the City of Overland Park, the Overland Park Chamber of Commerce and more than 65 private business community investors.

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Business Strategies

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OPEDC Services

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- Business Community Information
- State Programs & Incentives Assistance
- Building and Site Selection Service
- Business Start-up Information
- International Trade Support
- Workforce Training Programs
- Workforce Data
- Metro Area Information
- State and Local Taxes
- Sprint Business Resource Center
- Marketing Material / Brochures
- Inter-Agency Liaison