

# Strengthening Niagara

*Good News from the  
Niagara County Center for Economic Development  
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## ***Economic Summit to be Held at Niagara Falls International Airport***

Join us for the Niagara County Economic Summit, which will be held on Tuesday, March 16, 2010 from 8:00 to 11:30 a.m. at the new terminal at the Niagara Falls International Airport, 2035 Niagara Falls Boulevard in the Town of Wheatfield. The event will be an informative session about business opportunities and incentives.

Richard Updegrave, Chairman of the Niagara County Legislature's Economic Development Committee said, "Niagara County has many partners in Economic Development. As we have done in past years, we would like to inform the public about business opportunities and the economic advantages in Niagara County." Chairman Updegrave and Niagara County IDA Chairman Henry M. Sloma will deliver opening remarks.

Other speakers will include representatives of the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority, Niagara County Center for Economic Development, Empire State Development, the United States Small Business Administration, and the Niagara County Department of Employment and Training. Topics will include: future prospects for the Niagara Falls International Airport, economic development groups and resources, low cost hydropower programs and brownfields redevelopment.

"We hope that we can get local and regional elected officials, representatives of local business associations and members of the business community to attend, so that we may share information and receive valuable feedback," said Updegrave. All members of the public are welcome to attend.

Chairman Sloma said, "Because of Federal stimulus initiatives, we have some additional resources available to us this year that we have not had in the past, including Recovery Zone Facility Bonds, which have been made available through the Federal Stimulus package. Our message for the business community is '*If you want to build something, come to us*'. We will help you to tap into any and all incentives and programs that are available. We truly want to help Niagara County businesses grow and thrive."

The Economic Summit is being coordinated by the Niagara County Center for Economic Development and co-sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce of the Tonawandas, the Niagara River Region Chamber of Commerce, Niagara USA Chamber, the Town of Lockport IDA and the Town of Niagara IDA. Please call 278-8750 to register.

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