



City of Franklin Economic Development Commission  
70 E. Monroe Street  
Franklin, Indiana 46131

Dear Economic Development Commission Members:

Several community organizations active in economic development activities in and around the Franklin area have agreed to partner in support of a common initiative important to each entity. Co-working has been a topic of discussion in the community for a number of years. Co-working has been an effective economic development tool in many other communities. Many small companies in the Franklin area would benefit from this type of facility. A place where business people from all different sectors can come together and utilize each other's skills to grow their own business. Seventy-one percent of firms in Johnson County employ 1-9 employees. Small business drives the economic vitality of the community.

Each non-profit agreeing to partner on this initiative is willing and able to support co-working in a unique way. Discover Downtown Franklin would like to take an active role in the co-working space. A large part of our mission is to bring small businesses to downtown Franklin and promote economic development. A co-working space will help us fulfill our organizational mission.

Each year the City of Franklin Economic Development Commission generously disburses funds to non-profits active in economic development activities. This year, we encourage you to support a new economic development effort. With the support of the economic development fees, a co-working initiative will finally have the jump start it needs to get underway.

We encourage you to join us in supporting this worthwhile initiative as an investment in Franklin economic future.

Sincerely,

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