BESTINDEFENSE

OFFICE OF DEFENSE DEVELOPMENT







The Crane Region is a national defense treasure—an ecosystem of researchers, engineers and technologists developing and testing the world's most advanced warfighting systems. The region's environment is truly a partnership of government, education and private enterprise with the ultimate goal of protecting the nation, as well as commercializing and licensing its intellectual property.

ECONOMY & WORKFORCE

- 199,871-person workforce
- 29,782 employed in manufacturing
- 4TH highest concentration of STEM professionals (Martin County)
- 4.1% of the workforce is employed in the defense industry



BUSINESS ASSETS



The Battery Innovation Center (BIC) is a collaborative initiative designed to incorporate leadership from renowned universities, government agencies and commercial enterprises to focus on the rapid development, testing and commercialization of safe, reliable and lightweight energy storage systems for defense and commercial customers.

Purdue Research Foundation, WestGate Authority and Naval Surface Warfare Center Crane Division and others are partnering in



Purdue@WestGate to support technology research, commercialization and job creation throughout southern Indiana.

The NSWC Crane Small Business Program creates and delivers small business options for the warfare center.

The NSWC Crane Technology Transfer (T2) Program seeks to license and collaborate with local individuals, companies and academic institutions for the purpose of transferring government protected innovations for commercialization.

DEFENSE PRESENCE

Naval Support Activity Crane is the third largest naval installation in the world by geographic size and is home to 14 military commands including:



CRANE ARMY AMMUNITION ACTIVITY

Safely receives, stores, ships, produces, renovates, and demilitarizes conventional ammunition, missiles and related components in support of Joint Force readiness.

NSWC CRANE NAVAL SIIFEACE WARFARE CENTER CRANE DIVISION

NSWC Crane is a naval laboratory and a field activity of Naval Sea Systems Command with mission areas in expeditionary warfare, strategic missions and electronic warfare.

CRANE WORKFORCE

- 4,500 employees
- 900+ contractors
- 72% of employees are STEM workers
- 600+ have masters degrees or higher
- 100+ have PhDs
- \$406 million in total wages



EDUCATION

Educational Partnership Agreements

Naval Support Activity Crane's educational partnership agreements allow students, faculty and researchers of partner schools to use NSA Crane as a lab for applied research in science, information technology, engineering, math, sustainability and other applied skills. Partner institutions include Indiana University, Purdue University, Notre Dame University, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology and the University of Southern Indiana.

Regional Educational Institutions



INDIANA UNIVERSITY

Considered one of America's "Public Ivies," IU Bloomington is a public research university with over 40,000 students. It's the flagship institution of the Indiana University system.



Founded in 1965, USI enrolls 10,929 dual credit, undergraduate, graduate and doctoral students in more than 80 majors including engineering, business, health sciences and education.



Vincennes University is Indiana's oldest public institution of higher learning with workforce development initiatives that produce highly-educated, 21st century personnel.



Ivy Tech offers many STEM-related degree programs, from advanced manufacturing to cybersecurity.



Ranked among the top small, private engineering schools by U.S. News & World Report, UE offers degrees in electrical, mechanical and civil engineering, as well as computer science, computer engineering and software engineering.

INFRASTRUCTURE

INTERSTATES & U.S. HIGHWAYS



AIR

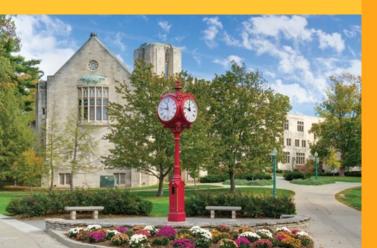
Easy drive to Indianapolis International Airport

- Recognized as the best airport in North America by the Airports Council International for eight years
- 6th largest cargo facility worldwide
- 2nd largest FedEx hub worldwide
- Serves 8 million passengers per year with nonstop flights to major cities on the coasts, south and southwest
- First year-round nonstop transatlantic flight to Paris started in 2018

10 local airports in the region

RAIL

Uplands features major Class I tracks from CSX and Norfolk Southern, as well as regional lines.



QUALITY OF PLACE

FRENCH LICK

Home to two AAA Four-Diamond historic hotels, The Pete Dye and The Donald Ross golf courses, spas, Vegas-style casinos, award-winning fine dining, and expansive meeting venues.

MONROE LAKE

The state's largest inland lake. There are 10,750 acres of water surface surrounded by several thousand acres of state and federally-owned forest lands. Boating, fishing, water-skiing, and swimming are available in numerous locations.

PATOKA LAKE

A fine example of lake ecology and Indiana's 2nd largest reservoir. An 8,800-acre lake provides habitat for freshwater jellyfish and bald eagle nesting sites. River otters and osprey were reintroduced at Patoka by the DNR.



HOOSIER NATIONAL FOREST



Indiana's only National Forest spans 202,000 acres and over 260 miles of trails for hiking, mountain biking, or horseback riding.



FASTEST
Growing destination
for wine and culinary
enthusiasts in the nation
Midwest Living Magazine

INDIANA UNIVERSITY

One of the world's most innovative universities, with a nationally-recognized Division I athletics and world-class opera, theater, ballet, music and museums.



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