

OAK CREEK AND FRANKLIN WIN GOOD GOVERNMENT AWARD FOR EFFORTS TO DEVELOP S. 27TH STREET CORRIDOR

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The cities of Oak Creek and Franklin have been named winners of the 2007 Wisconsin Good Government Award for their cooperative planning efforts to develop the S. 27th Street Corridor. The six-mile stretch forms the border between the two rapidly-developing communities.



The Wisconsin Good Government Award program recognizes outstanding examples of intergovernmental cooperation and local government cost saving efforts throughout the state. The award will be presented to the mayors of Oak Creek, Dick Bolender, and Franklin, Tom Taylor, at the League of Wisconsin Municipalities annual conference on Friday, October 5th at 10 a.m. at the Hilton City Center in Milwaukee.

Through cooperative planning, officials from Oak Creek and Franklin saved money by avoiding duplicate costs in developing the S. 27th Street corridor. The cities' joint efforts set the stage for a high-quality development that will create thousands of new jobs and lay the groundwork for future cooperative efforts.

Officials from Oak Creek and Franklin are creating an economic center unparalleled in the region that will become a statewide destination for people to work, live, shop, and recreate. It will consist of a diverse mix of land uses to provide a strong tax base for both communities.

The Wisconsin Good Government Award is sponsored by Foth, a Wisconsin-based consulting engineering firm, and is presented in cooperation with the League of Wisconsin Municipalities and the Wisconsin Counties Association. Nominations for the Good Government Award were submitted in late July, and judged by the Hon. N. Patrick Crooks, Wisconsin Supreme Court Justice, Jim Haney, President, Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce, and Carol Godiksen, executive director of the Association of Consulting Engineering Companies of Wisconsin.

WHAT:	Oak Creek and Franklin Receive Wisconsin Good Government Award
WHERE:	Hilton City Center 509 W. Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee Wisconsin League of Municipalities meeting
WHEN:	Friday, October 5th 10 a.m.

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About the S. 27th Street Corridor

The S. 27th Street Corridor and adjacent areas will be a local, regional and statewide destination for people to work, live, shop, recreate, and interact with one another. It will be an attractive center of economic activity in southeast Wisconsin with clearly and conveniently linked strong neighborhoods, beautiful parks and open spaces, and engaging civic and institutional places. This corridor will serve as a unifying place for the cities of Franklin and Oak Creek, and for Milwaukee County.

For more information on the corridor go to
<http://www.saa-madison.com/27thcor.htm>

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