



2023 Investor Events

The Marion Economic Development Corporation exists to be economic development thought leaders who drive competitive advantage for Marion.

As a MEDCO Investor, you receive access to events that help your business remain competitive with resources, tools and opportunities for networking. Look for more event information as dates approach!

Event:**Date:****Time:****New Investor Happy Hour:**

February 23rd

4:00-5:00 PM

As a new MEDCO investor, you're invited to join us at our next happy hour. Join us in our offices at 1107 7th Avenue, Suite 201 from 4-5 PM. Meet with the MEDCO Board of Directors, MEDCO staff, check out coworking and off-site conference rooms available to your business, and create meaningful connections!

Free Coworking Days

Feb. 24, March 31, April 21, May 26, June 23, July 28, Aug.25, Sept.29, Oct.27, Nov.17, Dec.15

If you're not sure coworking is for you, try it out for FREE! Cowork 1107 was developed to offer space for the Marion community to cowork, connect, and collaborate. Cowork 1107 offers a shared, community-driven workspace for location-independent workers and entrepreneurs. Available between 8:00 AM-5:00 PM on the dates listed above.

Startup Spotlight

Feb. 24, May 26, Aug.25, Nov.17

8:30-9:30 AM

We are committed to supporting new businesses and entrepreneurs seeking to scale and gain awareness in our community and region. Join us for Startup Spotlight to hear from local entrepreneurs to hear their story.

Wake Up Marion

March 2

8:00-9:00 AM

Hosted by Marion Chamber of Commerce each month, Wake up Marion will be coming to Cowork 1107! Start your day off right with coffee and connections! Join us at Cowork 1107, Marion's newest coworking space in Uptown Marion and get to know the team while enjoying conversation with other Marion Chamber members.

Business Leadership Series

March 23, April 7 & 28, May 25, June 27 8:00-9:00 AM

The Business Leadership Series will provide you and your company tools and resources to tackle workforce and talent retention issues. These workshops will address specific challenges that we heard from the business community throughout 2022. Learn more about the series and session times at: medcoiowa.org/businessleadership.

Story Of

March 31, June 23, Sept 29, Dec 15

8:30-9:30 AM

Join us throughout the year to hear the Story Of local leaders who have led their companies to success. You'll hear the nitty gritty details that comes with leadership and how they navigated to ultimately grow their company.

Event:	Date:	Time:
<i>Business Founders</i>	March 28, June 28, October 31	7:00-8:00 AM
Business owners or primary leaders are invited to take part in conversations around succession planning, ownership structures, company valuations, and how to lead your team in ways that keep it closely connected to community.		
<i>Marketing Advisory Meeting</i>	April 21, August 18, November 17	7:00-8:00 AM
A powerful team of contractors, brokers, architects, and utility providers make up MEDCO's Marketing Advisory Team. This group meets three times a year. The topics discussed generally touch on marketing and business development activities.		
<i>MEDCO Leadership Council</i>	April 11, October 10	11:30-1:00 PM
This team represents Leadership, Diamond, and Platinum investors. We'll provide updates on our work, our forecasts, and look to each member of this council for valuable input.		
<i>MEDCO Annual Luncheon</i>	May 3	11:30-1:00 PM
Save the date to join us for the 37th MEDCO Annual Luncheon! Registration details coming soon!		
<i>Economic Development Tour</i>	September 14	2:00-4:00 PM & Happy Hour 4:00-5:00 PM
We'll load a bus and take you throughout the community where you will experience a variety of new development projects!		
<i>VIP Reception</i>	October 12	TBD
Leadership, Diamond, Platinum, and Gold investors are invited to the annual VIP Reception with community leaders. Join us for an evening of networking and appetizers.		
<i>School Board & City Council Forums</i>	November	Date & Time TBD
The Marion Economic Development Corporation and Marion Chamber of Commerce will jointly host candidate forums featuring individuals seeking a seat on the Marion City Council, Linn-Mar School Board, or Marion Independent School Board.		
<i>Legislative Roundtable</i>	November	Date & Time TBD
Join Marion Economic Development, Professional Developers of Iowa, and local legislators to preview the 2024 legislative session. We'll discuss legislative priorities and engage in dialogue around business issues that are important to you.		