



STATEWIDE REGIONAL TOURISM RESOURCES

Through the Local Tourism and Convention Bureaus (LTCB) Program and the Regional Tourism Development Offices (RTDO) Program, the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity/Bureau of Tourism (IBOT) is authorized to provide grants to certified local tourism and convention bureaus (CVBs) and regional tourism development offices (RTDOs) to conduct promotional activities designed to increase the number of business and tourism visitors to and within the State of Illinois. At this time, there are 41 certified CVBs and 6 regional offices. These are your direct link to state programs and services. Contact them to assist in your ongoing tourism efforts.

All of the CVBs and NITDO (regional office) supply information on their designated service area amenities (attractions, lodging properties, specialty shopping, recreational opportunities, and events) for the State of Illinois website, as well as their own regional website. Please verify your information is 1) contained in www.enjoyillinois.com which is the website for Illinois Bureau of Tourism, 2) provided to NITDO's website at www.visitnorthernillinois.com, and 3) listed on your local CVB website (addresses have been provided below). Be prepared to supply information to be included in the above locations. Details such as name of amenities, date, location, contact information, brief description, etc, will be needed.

REGIONAL TOURISM DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

Northern Illinois Tourism Development Office

(serving 14 counties in Northern Illinois)

Bonnie Heimbach, Executive Director

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Belvidere, Illinois 61008

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815/547-3749 (fax)

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Web: www.visitnorthernillinois.com

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CERTIFIED CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAUS

Aurora Area Convention & Visitors Bureau

(Aurora and surrounding communities in Kane & Kendall Counties)

Sue Vos, Executive Director

44 West Galena Boulevard

Aurora, Illinois 60506

630/897-5581

630/897-5589 (fax)

Email: sue@enjoyaurora.com

Web: www.enjoyaurora.com

Blackhawk Waterways Convention & Visitors Bureau

(Lee, Carroll, Ogle & Whiteside Counties)

Diane Bausman, Executive Director

201 North Franklin Avenue

Polo, Illinois 61064

815/946-2108

815/946-2277 (fax)

Email: dbausman@bwcvb.com

Web: www.bwcvb.com

Chicago Southland Convention & Visitors Bureau

(60+ communities in Southern Cook & Will Counties)

Jim Garrett, President

2304 West 173rd Street

Lansing, Illinois 60438

708/895-8200

708/895-8288 (fax)

Email: cscvb@cscvb.com

Web: www.visitchicagosouthland.com

Elgin Area Convention & Visitors Bureau

(14 communities in Northern Kane and McHenry Counties)

Kimberly Bless, President/CEO

77 Riverside Drive

Elgin, Illinois 60120

847/695-7540

847/695-7668 (fax)

Email: kbless@northernfoxriversvalley.com

Web: www.northernfoxriversvalley.com

Galena/JoDaviess County Convention & Visitors Bureau

(Jo Daviess County)

Betsy Eaton, Executive Director

720 Park Avenue

Galena, Illinois 61036

815/777-3557

815/77-3566 (fax)

Email: director@galena.org

Web: www.galena.org

Heritage Corridor Convention & Visitors Bureau

(Communities in LaSalle, Will & Grundy Counties)

Robert L. Navarro PhD, President/CEO

81 North Chicago Street, Suite 103

Joliet, Illinois 60432

630/226-1753

Email: Navarro@hccvbil.com

Web: www.heritagecorridorcvb.com

Kankakee County Convention & Visitors Bureau

(Kankakee County)

Larry Williams, Interim Executive Director

One Dearborn Square, Suite 521

Kankakee, Illinois 60901

815/935-7390

815/935-5169 (fax)

Email: larry@visitkankakeecounty.com

Web: www.visitkankakeecounty.com

Rockford Area Convention & Visitors Bureau

(Winnebago County)

David Preece, President/CEO

102 North Main Street

Rockford, Illinois 61101

815/489-1656

815/489-9521 (fax)

Email: dpreece@gorockford.com

Web: www.gorockford.com

St. Charles Convention & Visitors Bureau

(St. Charles and other communities in Kane County)

Kathy Loubsky, Executive Director

311 North 2nd Street

St. Charles, Illinois 60174

630/377-6161

630/513-0566 (fax)

Email: kloubsky@visitstcharles.com

Web: www.visitstcharles.com

Stephenson County/Freeport Convention & Visitors Bureau

(Stephenson County)

Connie Sorn, Executive Director

4596 US Route 20 East

Freeport, Illinois 61032

815/233-1357

815/233-1358 (fax)

Email: stephcvb@aeroinc.net

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