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with performing arts groups, public libraries, Indiana University and a variety of other area entities to stage independent films, meetings, presentations, foreign language courses and cultural events.

StoneGate Arts & Education Center's educational, workforce development, governmental and non-profit partnerships will serve to guarantee local, regional,



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national and international impact on education, skilled trades, advanced manufacturing and information technology needs now and into the future.

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## StoneGate Center — Developing, Learning, Creating



**BEDFORD** — Bedford Mayor Shawna Girgis marks the opening of StoneGate Arts & Education Center Downtown with a ribbon cutting in November 2018.

erving as Lawrence County's official learning center, StoneGate Arts & Education Center provides a home to Ivy Tech Community College, Oakland City University and Vincennes University.

Currently, about 150 lvy Tech and 100 OCU students attend classes at StoneGate Center. Discussions are underway with other educational providers to host additional schools at the site.

The newly constructed state-of-the-art facility sits adjacent to the Lawrence County Courthouse Square and features 10 classrooms, two computer labs, which double as classrooms, an instructors' workroom/student assessment room, and Brinegar Hall, a spacious auditorium and black box theater, featuring cutting-edge audio-video equipment.

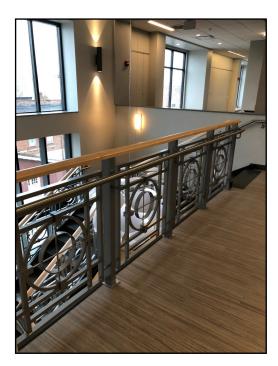
The facility serves as a site for



workforce development activities, meetings, professional training sessions and courses presented by a variety of educational, non-profit, community and governmental organizations.

As one of two winners of Lt. Gov. Sue Ellspermann's Indiana's 2013 Stellar Communities Award, Bedford's winning plan focused on downtown development, education and workforce training. Constructing the StoneGate Arts & Education Center Downtown facility was a leading outcome of Bedford's Stellar grant.





StoneGate incorporated as a 501(c)3 non-profit organization in 2014 and is governed by a board of directors.

StoneGate has formed partnerships with the Boys & Girls Club of Lawrence County, the Lawrence County Museum of History for youth training and education,

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