2019 State of the County Address By **County Executive** Jim Kreuser

Tuesday, May 7, 2019









Every day is a great day in Kenosha County!

The State of Kenosha County is:

Strong

Ahead of the curve on our infrastructure plan

An innovator in many areas



Kenosha
County is
financially
strong!

We maintain a very strong bond rating at AA+

In 2018, tax
delinquencies
decreased by \$2.2
million for a total
reduction over the
past two years of
\$4.1 million

Our Unassigned General Fund balance is at its highest dollar amount Our Equalized
Value is at its
highest ever at
\$15.6 billion (TID
in)





 "Fitch regards the county's operating performance as exceptionally strong. Its financial resilience derives from broad revenue-raising flexibility, solid control over employee and benefit costs and substantial fund balances. The county has steadily augmented its general fund reserve and cash during the current economic expansion."

Standard & Poor's says:

- The AA+ rating reflects our view of the county's:
 - Strong economy with access to a broad and diverse metropolitan statistical area
 - Very strong management, with strong financial policies and practices under our Financial Management Assessment methodology; and
 - Very strong budgetary flexibility



Good infrastructure leads to good economic development, which leads to jobs!

Now is not the time to take our foot off the gas pedal when it comes to planning ahead and keeping pace with our highway projects.

State Highway 165, County Highway N, and now County Highways S and KR have been and will be economic drivers.



2019 Kenosha County Bonding

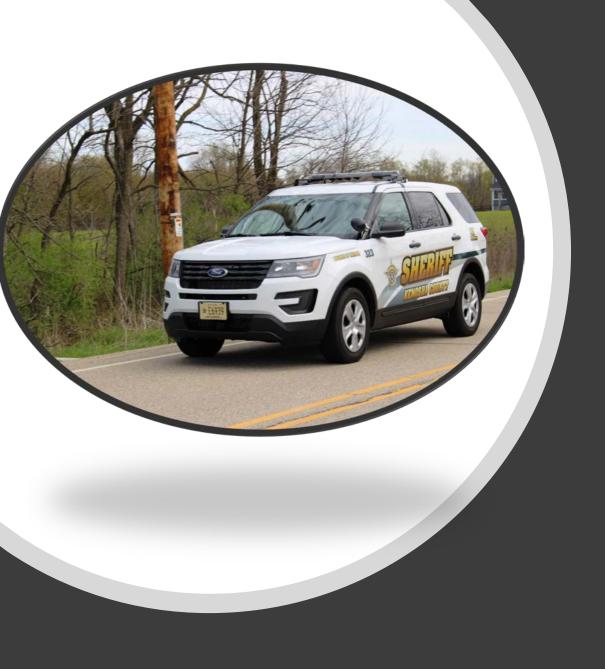
Infrastructure & Law Enforcement Bonding 72%

Infrastructure-Highway-Paving & Road-related Equipment

Law Enforcement-Kenosha Sheriff's Department and Simulcast Non Infrastructure/Law Enforcement Bonding 28%

Facilities- General Govt. Brookside **Information Technology** Parks / Golf **Health Division** Facilities- PSB Planning & Development Facilities- Human Services Bldg. **Land Information** District Attorney/Victim Witness Circuit Court Juvenile Intake **Joint Services Human Services** Divisions not noted above Finance & Administration County Clerk Treasurer's Office Register of Deeds **County Board County Executive Corporation Counsel Human Resources** KABA - Economic Development





Good Highways and Public Safety is at the heart of County Government

- Law Enforcement is also infrastructure as the backbone of our community.
- Law Enforcement has become more complex in the past 10 years.
- Law Enforcement needs good equipment, vehicles, working conditions and competitive salary and benefits.











County highways: We must plan and build strategically for our anticipated growth



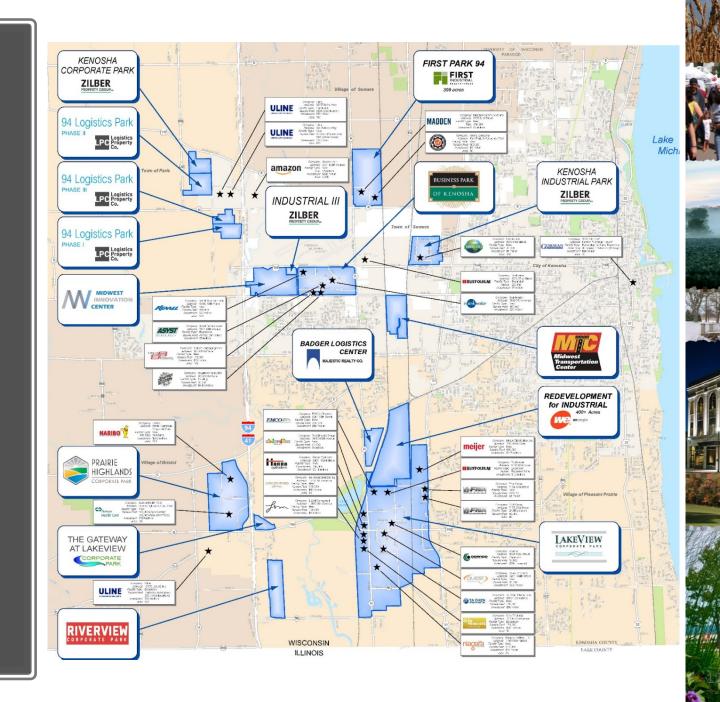




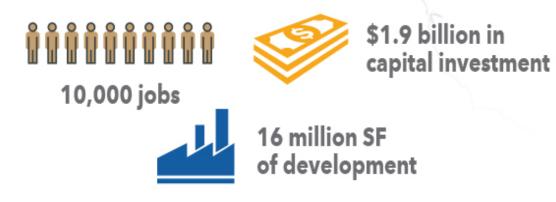
Together, we will continue to work to make Kenosha County a great place to live, work, play and raise a family!



We are a beacon for business



Since 2013, major economic development wins in Kenosha County have accounted for:





Kenosha County had a robust economic year in 2018 and it's not slowing down



Fresenius Kabi

- 590,525 square-foot facility for global health care company based in Germany
- Approximately 100 jobs initially and up to 164 within 5-10 years
- Order processing, assembly and fulfillment center
- > First development in the newStateline 94 Corporate Park



Froedtert South

- Advanced Outpatient Surgical Wing addition at its St. Catherine's Medical Center Campus in Pleasant Prairie (pictured right)
- 239,977 square feet, four stories
- Will add 100 to 125 employees
- Complete second quarter 2019
- New medical office building at the new Main Street Market development in Pleasant Prairie
- 50,000 square feet; four stories
- Services will include family practice, radiology & walk-in clinic
- Completion in mid-2019



AdvocateAurora Health Care

 Ambulatory surgery center and medical office building (2 facilities @ 100,000 square feet each)

 \$130 million project on a 65-acre site in Prairie Highlands Corp Park

 Expected to add 140 new jobs; 260+ total employment;

• Includes space for future expansion





Sampling of Multi-Family Residential

- Breeze Terrace
 - 213 apartments in Pleasant Prairie near Premium Outlets
 - Currently under construction Summer 2018 start date
- The Apartments at the Falls at Pike Creek
 - 208 unit apartment development near Southport Plaza, Kenosha
 - Project begins summer 2019; completion slated for January 2021
- Springs at Kenosha
 - Phase I 280 units completed in 2017; Phase II 200 units planned;
 - Located west of I-94 at the Highway 50 interchange
- Market Square Apartments
 - Phase I 280 units completed in 2017;
 - Phase II 50 additional units currently under construction
 - Near highways 31 and 142







Kings & Convicts Brewery

- 50,000 square-foot craft brewery and event space
- Plans call for:
 - An automated brew house
 - A taproom & dining area
 - An event space for 250 people
 - A patio with fire pits and outdoor seating
- Near Highway 50 and the I-94 interchange
- A 124-room hotel with event space will be developed adjacent to the Brewery





Prairie Highlands Corporate Park

Site Development

- HARIBO 137 acres
- > Aurora 64 acres
- \rightarrow HSA 70 acres
- > Hotel site 29 acres
- > Six lots 126 acres







Stateline 94 Corporate Park

- Located east of the Premium Outlets in Pleasant Prairie
- 250-acre site under development by Venture One Real Estate
- Plans include nearly 1.9 million square feet of buildings
- Frensenius Kabi project is the first development for the park







Kenosha Corporate Park

- New 70+ acre business park being developed by Zilber Property Group
- A 524,000-square-foot spec building is under construction as the first development in the park

First Park 94

- 309+/- acre industrial park in the Village of Somers developed by First Industrial
- 1.2 million square feet developed thus far
- Key tenants: Ariens Company, Madden Communications, Crown Brands
- Roughly 200 acres remaining for development





Salem Business Park

- 65-acre park located in the Village of Salem Lakes in western Kenosha County
- Acres available for development: approximately 55
- Key tenant: Vonco Products







Additional Development Opportunities

- Dog Track
- Chrysler Site
- Downtown Revitalization
- Pleasant Prairie Power Plant
- Village Green

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We are growing Businesses



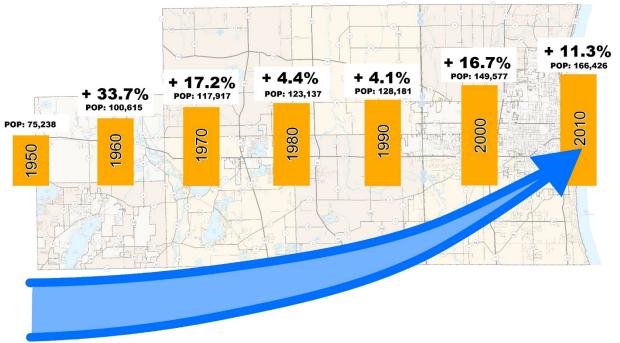


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And, we are growing in population

POPULATION CHANGE BY DECADE

KENOSHA COUNTY, WI







Petrifying Springs Biergarten

Public-Private partnerships result in greater opportunities for building quality of life and quality of place









Boundless Adventures

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April 6, 2019

Kenosha County, UW-Parkside strike land-use agreement for natural area bordering campus, Petrifying Springs Park

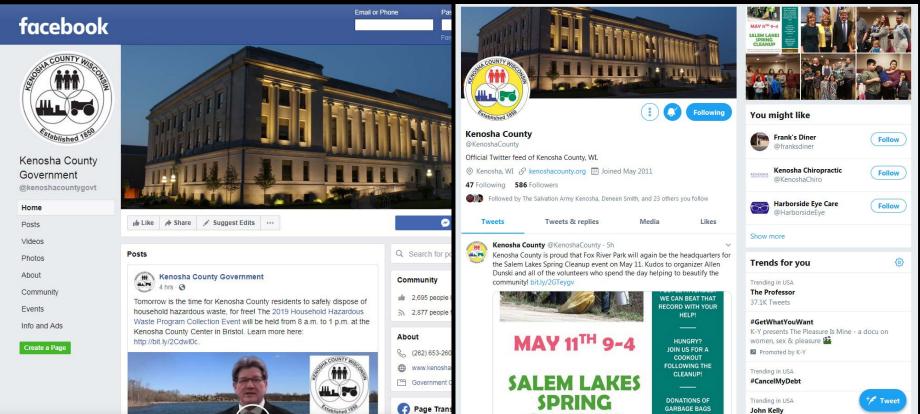
SOMERS – Kenosha County and the University of Wisconsin-Parkside plan to enter into a collaborative land-use agreement that will enhance the management of 139 acres of natural land alongside Petrifying Springs Park, officials announced Friday.

This agreement establishes a framework by which UW-Parkside and the county would work jointly to identify and pursue initiatives to improve stormwater and natural resource management and public recreational access to the university-owned land, which is contiguous to the Pike River.

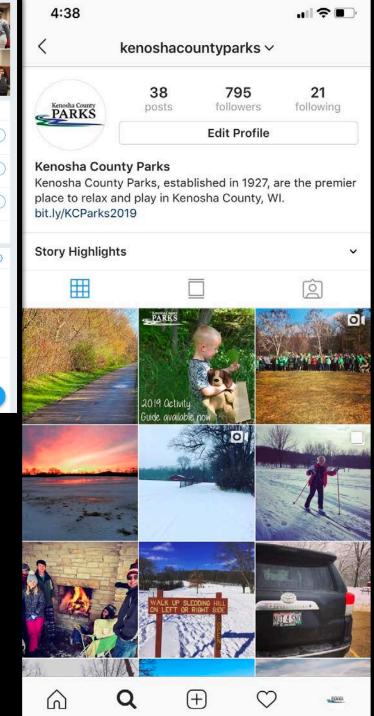
The University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents approved the agreement on Friday. It now goes before the Kenosha County Board, with final action expected at the May 7 meeting.

"This is an exciting opportunity for two public institutions to work together in a way that will benefit the whole community," said Kenosha County Executive Jim Kreuser. "As a UW-Parkside alumnus and a frequent user of Petrifying Springs Park, I couldn't be happier to see us engaged in this way."





Social media has increased awareness of county services





Living in Kenosha County is enhanced by:

- Our fiscal strength
- Our efficient budgeting
- Our cost-effective programs

Working in Kenosha County is enhanced by:

Planning for and maintaining our highways.

Law Enforcement and public safety efforts.

Looking ahead at our economic growth opportunities.





Raising a Family/Playing in Kenosha County is enhanced by:

• Fun and educational activities.





 Working collaboratively, we can make our community even better!

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Thank you and God Bless Kenosha County



