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Calling all changemakers, visionaries, influencers, disruptors, and developers, the IEDC 2024 Annual Conference awaits! Your community, region, country, and world need you in Denver, CO, September 15-18, to join forces with thousands of economic development practitioners and thought leaders from around the globe as we celebrate and champion the unsung heroes of economic development.

This year's conference is more than just one of our standard gatherings; it's the premier platform to flip the script and transform our profession into one of the world's most recognized, understood, and attractive industries. By spotlighting the innovative work of economic development superheroes, we aim to inspire and equip you with the tools and knowledge to drive positive change and innovation in your community. This is your team's opportunity to unleash your inner economic development superheroes and elevate the economic development profession to new heights in the Mile High City.

Conference Theme: Championing Economic Development Superheroes

The conference will explore the following tracks:

- **Marketing and Telling Our Stories:** Learn how to share a clear and compelling story about your community and the work of economic development professionals to raise awareness for the profession.
- **Talent and Workforce Strategies:** Dive deep into innovative approaches to talent acquisition, development, and retention. Gain insights into creating resilient, future-ready workforces that drive regional prosperity.
- **Solving the Housing Crisis:** Explore how economic developers can convene businesses, government, and housing partners to develop local housing strategies that support a thriving workforce and ignite economic growth.
- **Climate Change and Sustainability:** Discover how communities can help mitigate potential economic damage from climate change by investing in resiliency and sustainability to diversify and de-risk their current base of industries and workforce skills.
- **Rural Prosperity:** Address rural prosperity through a holistic approach that encompasses various aspects of community development, infrastructure, anchor institutions, economic diversification, and quality of life enhancements.
- **Entrepreneurship and Ecosystem Building:** Build entrepreneurship ecosystems by creating environments that foster innovation, support startup ventures, and encourage entrepreneurship to thrive.



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	Early Bird Deadline July 26, 2024	Regular Registration Deadline August 16, 2024	Online Registration Closes August 30, 2024, 11:59 PM ET
Members	\$1,000	\$1,100	\$1,250
Non-Members	\$1,300	\$1,425	\$1,575
Conference and Membership Combo	\$1,350	\$1,450	\$1,600
Honorary Lifetime Members** / Members in Transition	\$200	\$200	\$200
Students	\$200	\$200	\$200

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Annual Conference / New Member Combo: To enroll in membership and receive the Annual Conference combo rate, contact Cherrika Gordon at **cgordon@iedconline.org or submit the **registration PDF here**.*

***Honorary Life Members can register for conferences at a reduced rate upon retirement.*

Restrictions Apply

- Rate includes IEDC Membership through 12/31/25.
- This offer is applicable to first-time IEDC members
- This offer is not applicable to those affiliated with an existing organizational membership
- The above rate is nonrefundable

FAQs

Registration

- Registrations will only be accepted and processed when payment, or an approved government purchase order, is included.
- Registrations, or changes to registrations, will not be accepted over the phone as this does not provide an accurate record of the request.
- To be included in the Attendees List, physical registrations must be received no later than **August 30, 2024**.

- To register by mail, **submit this form** and send payment to:
IEDC, 1275 K St NW Suite 300, Washington, DC 20005. Fax form and copy of purchase order to: (202) 223-4745
- Online registration closes on **August 30, 2024, 11:59 PM ET**. On-site registration will be available.

Payment Policy

- All payments sent to the IEDC office must be received by **August 30, 2024**, or registrants will be required to resolve unpaid balances onsite (excluding those with government purchase orders).
- Conference attendees with a balance due will be required to remit payment before being admitted to the conference, with the exception of those attendees paying by government purchase order.
- If a copy of your purchase order was not forwarded to IEDC, please present it at the onsite registration desk.

Cancellation, Refunds and No-Show Policy

- Substitutions cannot be made after **August 30, 2024**.
- **There will be no refunds or credits for cancellations after Friday, August 30, 2024.**
- All cancellation requests must be in writing and can be emailed or sent to IEDC.
- All registered attendees canceling their registration will be charged a \$130 processing fee, regardless of when the written cancellation notice was received.