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ITIA 2009 FALL CONFERENCE

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September 23-24, 2009
Union League Club of
Chicago, Illinois

ITIA
22 Years of
Providing
Service In
2009!

Fall Conference at Union League Club of Chicago



We've moved the ITIA's 2009 Fall Conference to the Union League of Chicago!

From those new to Tax Increment Financing to "old hands", from municipal officials to private sector professionals, the ITIA 2009 Fall Conference is designed to tell you more about this important economic development tool and how it is making a difference rebuilding Illinois communities.

Join with community leaders and economic development professionals from across Illinois to learn more about the issues and trends affecting local economic development, and how tax increment financing is being used to encourage development and redevelopment.

Take this opportunity to look inside, review the preliminary agenda, and then make arrangements to attend this important event!

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This year the ITIA Fall Conference and Workshops will be held at the Union League Club of Chicago that includes a special room rate available to those who register for a room by August 30.

This brochure includes all the information you need to register and take part.

*We look forward to seeing you at the Beautiful Union League Club of Chicago.
September 23-24, 2009.*

WELCOME 2009 — 2010 NEW MEMBERS

ITIA is only as strong as its membership, which is why we are pleased to announce that our membership continues to grow!

ITIA's continues our Initiative to increase the participation of private sector firms and individuals as members of the Association. As our strength lies in our membership, it is important that ITIA increase the involvement of both municipalities involved in TIF as well as individuals, firms and organizations involved in TIF and local devel-

opment and redevelopment.

As our membership initiative continues, we want to highlight some who have joined the Association this fiscal year.

They include municipal members: City of Vienna

New private sector members include: Cunningham, Vogel & Rost P.C., Ice Miller LLP, and Kely Law Office.

We very much appreciate the involvement of our new members as well as old members who have rejoined after a break in membership.

We appreciate all of the municipalities, individuals and firms that have been members over the years. Please continue to support ITIA and our efforts.

The ITIA also appreciates your assistance in attracting new municipal and private members.

ITIA 2009 Fall Conference

Become a Fall Conference Sponsor!

In order to provide the outstanding Spring Conference for which ITIA is known yet still keep registration fees reasonably low, **Conference sponsors are critically needed.** Sponsorship opportunities are available in four categories of support for the ITIA 2008 Spring Conference.

Platinum Sponsorship is available to those who provide major assistance (\$2,500 or more) in support of a critical program cost item such as: production of the program book, underwriting the cost of audio-visual equipment rental and operation, or the underwriting of all or part of the membership luncheon, reception, dinner, or continental breakfast. Sustaining Sponsors will be listed as such on all conference and program materials, receive a special recognition at the membership dinner, have special signage with their corporate or municipal logo present at all conference sessions and events, and will be entitled to **four** complementary conference registrations. Platinum Sponsors will be provided with table-top display space

at the Conference if desired.

Gold Sponsorship is available to those providing \$1,500 in support of conference activities. Supporting Sponsors will be listed as such on all conference and program materials, receive special recognition at the membership dinner, are listed on signage at all conference sessions and events, and will be entitled to **three** complementary conference registrations.

Silver Sponsorship is available to those providing \$750 in support for conference activities, or who provide other necessary in-kind support. Contributing Sponsors will be listed as such on all conference and program materials, be recognized at the membership dinner, be listed on general signage at conference registration and check-in, and will be entitled to **two** complementary conference registrations.

Bronze Sponsorship is available to those providing \$500 in support for con-

ference activities, or who provide other necessary in-kind support. Contributing Sponsors will be listed as such on all conference and program materials, be recognized at the membership dinner, and be listed on general signage at conference registration and check-in, and will be entitled to **one** complementary conference registration.

All sponsors will be provided with special sponsor ribbons color-coded to sponsorship level for quick identification and recognition.

Those interested in becoming an ITIA Spring Conference sponsor, or wanting to explore how they may be able to support the ITIA and the Conference program, should contact ITIA Executive Director Thomas R. Henderson by phone (217-523-4905) or via E-mail at thenderson@illinois-tif.com.

All Conference support is recognized and very much appreciated!

NON-MEMBERS WHO JOIN ITIA WILL RECEIVE DISCOUNT on the 2009 FALL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEE!

Due to the economic times Illinois municipalities and businesses are experiencing, the ITIA is offering a 2 for 1 conference registration fee to a new community or private business that joins ITIA prior to the conference. Eligible communities and businesses are those that have not belonged to the ITIA in the past and must submit a completed membership application and conference registration form along with their check to the ITIA.

Public Sector Member \$375 per fiscal year (July 1 to June 30) for municipalities that have established one of more property tax TIFs.

Private Sector Members

Executive Members: \$1,500 per fiscal year for development firms, law firms, consultants or banks that utilize or work with Sales or Property Tax TIFs. They serve on the ITIA Legislative Council and are consulted by the Executive Director.

Private Members: \$ 750 per fiscal year for businesses, firms or individuals that utilize TIF or work with TIF municipalities.

Development Organizations: \$560 per fiscal year for not-for-profit local or regional economic development organizations serving one or more ITIA communities.

The ITIA is a public-private organization, governed by a Board of Directors; a majority of the members of the Board are mayors and village presidents representing a diverse group of cities, towns and villages from across Illinois, representing over 80% of TIF redevelopment projects in the state.

**Membership Application
on the ITIA Website
www.illinois-tif.com**

Preliminary Agenda

WEDNESDAY, September 23, 2009

7:30AM Check-In & Registration at the Union League Club of Chicago located on the 5th Floor Parlor – 5th Floor .

8:00 AM ● 9:00 AM: Continental breakfast in Crystal Room, 5th Floor

9:00 AM ● 3:00 PM On-Site Registration & Check-In 5th Floor Parlor

10:00 AM ● 10:15AM: Welcome & all Sessions in the Crystal Room, 5th Floor

10:15AM ● 11:45 AM: **The TIF Act and Taxing District Reimbursements or How to Play Nice with the Taxing Districts Legally**

11:45 PM ● 1:00PM: **Board meeting and Luncheon in Union League Room, 5th Floor.**

12:00PM ● 1:00 PM: **Conference Luncheon in the Main Lounge, 2nd Floor**

WEDNESDAY, September 23, 2009 (cont)

1:15 PM ● 2:30 PM: **Linking TIF with Other Financing Vehicles – Affordable Housing Tax Credits, Federal Stimulus Package Funds and Recovery Zone Bonds.**

2:30 PM ● 2:45 PM: **Break.**

2:45 PM ● 3:45 PM: **STAR Bond District -The Legislature’s Approach to a Tool Used in Other States**

3:45PM ● 4:00 PM **Break**

4:00PM ● 5:00 PM **TIF in Sydney—How our Friends from Australia Learned from Us.**

5:00 PM ● 5:45 PM: **Free Time for Networking.**

6:00 PM ● 9:00 PM. **Reception, Dinner and Sponsor Recognition Event at Union League Club of Chicago in the Main Dining Room, 6th Floor.**

THURSDAY, September 24, 2009

7:30 AM ● 8:45 AM: **Buffett Breakfast & all sessions in the Crystal Room, 5th Floor.**

9:00AM ● 10:15 AM: **TIF District Closeouts and Tax Appeal Discussion.**

10:15AM ● 10:30 AM: **Break**

10:30 AM ● 11:45 AM: **Thriving in Tough Times • Making TIF work in Today’s Economy.**

11:30 AM ● 12 Noon: **Legislative Update.**

12:00PM ● 1:15 PM: **Closing Conference Luncheon in the Wigwam Room, 3rd Floor**

Please Note: Preliminary Agenda subject to change. All business sessions will held at the Union League Club of Chicago. Check final agenda at Check-In and Registration.

Fall Conference & Union League Club of Chicago Room Registration

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION:

The conference fee for each ITIA member is \$295. The conference fee for non-members is \$495. See page two for a one-time special rate for non-members who join ITIA prior to the conference. Fees are for two breakfasts, two luncheons, meeting refreshments, reception and dinner, and all program materials. Add \$75 for each spouse or guest attending the reception and dinner. Mail checks and a copy of the form below to the address

provided. **PLEASE NOTE:** Because we are required to guarantee attendee counts for meal functions in advance of the Conference, registration fees cannot be refunded after September 9, 2009.

UNION LEAGUE CLUB of CHICAGO ROOM RESERVATIONS:

Room reservations must be made with the Union League Club of Chicago by directly contacting Ms. Willie Bryant at 312-435-5015. A special conference rate of \$170 (exclusive of surcharge or other

room charges) is available until August 30. After this date rooms will be provided on a space available basis at prevailing rates. When making your reservation please indicate that you are with the “Tax Increment” group.

Questions concerning conference registration may be made to the ITIA office.

Questions concerning rooms should be addressed to Ms. Willie Bryant of the Union League Club of Chicago, not ITIA staff.

Mail checks and a copy of this form to:

ITIA OFFICE

**300 East Monroe St. Suite #204
Springfield, Illinois 62701-1466
Phone: 217-523-4905
FAX: 217-391-4371**

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*Ms. Willie Bryant
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Conference rate available through August 30, 2009.

NAME: _____

TITLE: _____

AFFILIATION: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: () _____ **EMAIL:** _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____ **Make your reservation today!**

So that we can make proper arrangements, please indicate meal functions that you plan to attend. If using this form to register more than one person, please indicate the number of those you are registering for who will be attending each meal function:

- Wednesday Continental Breakfast.
- Wednesday Conference Luncheon. Board of Directors’ only meeting & luncheon.
- Wednesday Reception & Dinner.
- Thursday morning breakfast buffet.
- Thursday Closing Luncheon.

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*ITIA Fall Conference moves to the Union League Club of Chicago,
by Thomas R. Henderson, Executive Director*

The ITIA has held their Fall Conference at the Chicago Hilton & Towers for the last 21 years. However, we decided to move the conference location to the Union League Club of Chicago. This beautiful facility, located in the heart of the Chicago's Financial District, has been selected to host our Fall Conference for the next five years. This facility provides the ITIA and it's membership with the most up to date and professional conference facilities that within the City of Chicago. Not only is the Club and its membership known for their assistance with the City in their growth and development, they are also recognized for being very active in political, economic and social awareness issues by hosting those functions at the club. The ITIA is excited to have our fall conference at this impressive facility. We look forward to seeing all of you there.

EARLY SPONSORSHIP HELPING TO MAKE THINGS HAPPEN

The Illinois Tax Increment Association (ITIA) could not offer these very informative and educational conferences without the sponsorship support of our private members. Please take the opportunity to personally Thank Each and Every Sponsor when you see them. They can be identified by the color coded ribbon on their name tag.

For over 22 years ITIA has been serving its members by providing education about, and the promotion of, public-private development and redevelopment and the effective use of Tax Increment Financing throughout the state.

MANY THANKS to the 2009 FALL CONFERENCE EARLY SPONSORS!

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- Evans, Froehlich, Beth & Chamley

Bronze Sponsors

- Kelty Law Office

MEMBERSHIP CONTACT PREFERENCES

We are always searching for new and updated methods to contact the ITIA membership. Please make sure you take the time to contact me either by phone at 217-523-4905; via e-mail at thenderson@illinois-tif.com or drop a letter in the mail to make sure that I have the most up-to-date contact information regarding your municipality or company. My goal is to keep all members fully aware of any issues affecting Tax Increment Financing in Illinois.