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# Press Release

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## **MID-AMERICA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL SELECTS 2022 BOB ADY SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS**

The Mid-America Economic Development Council recently selected the 2022 recipients for the annual Bob Ady Scholarship Program. The scholarship program is named in memory of Bob Ady, a champion for economic development in the U.S. and especially the Mid-America region.

This scholarship program is available for Mid-America Economic Development Council members and non-members. Applicants were evaluated based on their interest in economic development overall, as well as their interest in the Mid-America Economic Development Council organization. This year's scholarship program is designed to assist with professional mentoring throughout the year and attendance to both of Mid-America EDC's 2022 Conferences – the Virtual Best Practices Conference to be held July 13-15 in Springfield, Ohio, and the Mid-America Competitiveness Conference to be held November 30-December 2 in Chicago, Illinois.

Mid-America EDC board members and Co-chairs of the 2022 Bob Ady Scholarship committee, Tim Holverson and Brittany Ashby, commented, "Mid-America EDC is thrilled to continue this very beneficial offering to the economic development profession. This scholarship program allows for the organization to support economic development professionals from across the Midwest as they strive to improve their knowledge and skills via mentoring and participation at both conferences, while simultaneously networking with peers from across our region."

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**Congratulations to the 2022 Bob Ady Scholarship Recipients!**

- **Haylee Chenchar, Managing Director & Vice President, Cheyenne Downtown Development Authority – Cheyenne, Wyoming**
- **Sherri Johnston, President/CEO, LaGrange County EDC – LaGrange, Indiana**
- **Mitch Massman, Community and Business Development Specialist, Community and Economic Development Associates – Rochester, Minnesota**
- **Brad Reams, Industrial Park Director, Great Plains Development Authority – Parsons, Kansas**
- **Rebecca Udem, Founder and Executive Director, Growing Small Towns – Oakes, North Dakota**

The Mid-America Economic Development Council is a multi-state association dedicated to being the leading resource for education, making connections, and sharing best practices for economic development professionals.

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