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GARY, INDIANA MAKES LIST OF TOP 100 SMALL CITIES TO START A BUSINESS

Gary, Indiana-The results of recent research through smallbusiness.com placed Gary, Indiana among the 100 best small cities in the U.S. to start a business.

The study compared over 1200 small cities with a population size between 25,000 and 100,000 based on three (3) key factors: Business Environment, Access to Resources and Business Costs. Gary ranked number 90 on the list.

While the research points out the many benefits smaller communities have to offer such as lower business start-up and overhead costs, the city of Gary's additional assets: its Midwest location, its accessibility to all modes of transportation including interstate, air, rail, water and its proximity to Chicago continues to show Gary is poised for economic development.

Mayor Karen Freeman-Wilson says, "Our work every day is in an effort to attract development to our community. We have realized some successes and anticipate many more. While we continue to experience some significant challenges, being placed among the top 100 small cities to start a business is a step in the right direction."

The study and ranking of the 100 cities can be found at <http://smallbusiness.com/start/>; posted May 3, 2016.