

What We DO

Working for our business community to ensure a strong and diverse future for our families, for our community, for our state.

⇒ Entrepreneur support

⇒ Advocating for your business

⇒ Collaboration and partnerships

⇒ Professional Development

⇒ Marketing / promotions

*Keeping our economy on top and driving for a vibrant and
successful today and our future*

Recent Successes (July 2017 – 2018):

- Jobs Created and Retained – 475*
- Businesses assisted – 106**
- Business Retention and Expansion Interviews - 62
- Community and Business Grants and Loans - \$19.5 million
- Business advocacy and support events and efforts – 34
- Retail market expansion – 25 new businesses***
- Workforce training and expansion – 71 employees trained using grants
- Business relocation proposals / tours – 26
- Local / Regional / Statewide partnerships – 33



*Wyoming Labor Force Trends July 2017 to 2018

** Includes assisting individual businesses multiple times

*** Campbell County Chamber of Commerce

Project and Activities Update

- **Business Incubator:**



The FUEL Business Incubator held a ribbon cutting on September 10 opening Gillette's first business incubator. There are currently 8 businesses utilizing the services and additional entrepreneurs joining monthly. FUEL and Area 59 (Gillette College's makerspace) are closely aligned and working to support and grow our entrepreneurial community that will diversify our future economy.

- **Advanced Carbon Products Innovation Center (ACPIC):**

The ACPIC project is moving forward at a slow, but steady pace. The project team was asked to appear before the Minerals, Business and Economic Development Legislative committee in late August. They were interested to learn about our diversification efforts and what we were doing to add value to our coal resources. The presentation was received very well with many questions and encouragement to continue the project.

- **Integrated Test Center (ITC):**

The ITC project continues to advance with the 5 prize teams, Kawasaki Heavy Industries and others starting their move to Gillette. They are all expected to get their projects going towards the end of 2018 and into the first and second quarters of 2019.



- **Atlas Carbon:**



Energy Capital Economic Development was instrumental in assisting Atlas to secure a 15-million-dollar state loan to add a second production line. Atlas has finalized the loan, obtained the funding and is in the process of completing the design of the production line. The second line is expected to be built and in operation by the end of 2019. Atlas is using local engineering, design and construction firms for over 90% of the work on their new production line.



- NEW Growth Alliance
- ENDOW
- Higher Education Task Force

