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## Town of Cicero Earns Designation as an IACT Green Community

INDIANAPOLIS – The Indiana Association of Cities and Towns (IACT) announced that Cicero has been designated as an **IACT Green Community**. Cicero will receive its designation during an Annual Awards Luncheon, Oct. 7, at noon during the 2013 IACT Annual Conference & Exhibition in Indianapolis.

IACT launched the Green Communities Initiative in 2008 to identify potential cost savings to communities facing budget shortfalls, promote economically competitive quality of life concepts, and ultimately serve as role models for citizens while better protecting our environment. The initiative will expand educational opportunities for municipalities and create a consolidated clearinghouse of data and programs that can be accessed by municipalities.

To be recognized as an **IACT Green Community**, Cicero had to meet a minimum score on a 49-question survey in the areas of purchasing, operations, measuring success, and sample projects, with scoring considerations given to the size of the community and the likelihood it would or could implement certain types of programs.

<u>IACT Green Communities Designation Recipients</u>: Carmel, Cicero, Evansville, Fort Wayne, Westfield, Whiting <u>2013 Green Community of the Year Award Winners</u>: Evansville, Westfield, Whiting



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<u>Conference Facts</u>: 2013 IACT Annual Conference and Exhibition October 6-8, 2013 JW Marriott, Indianapolis Further information: <u>www.citiesandtowns.org</u>

The Indiana Association of Cities and Towns (IACT) is a coalition of municipal officials who seek to improve the quality of life in Indiana through effective government, and is a member of the National League of Cities. Founded in 1891, IACT is one of the oldest state municipal organizations in the country, with 470 cities and towns as members. IACT advocates for municipalities as the official voice of municipal government in Indiana, and promotes good government through education, training and leadership.