



# MARION COUNTY CONNECT

PROGRESS DRIVEN III

**Friday, July 12**

**8:30-10:00 AM**

3014 East Main Street, Knoxville, IA

**Focus Areas:**  
**Workforce & Marion County Housing Study**

## AGENDA:

8:30-8:40 a.m.

**Welcome & Introductions**

8:40-9:40

**Workforce Resources & Partners:**

Alicia Chilton, Greater Des Moines Partnership

Kelly Mitchell, DMACC Business Resources

Teri Vos, WorkSmart Connector

9:40-9:50

**Marion County Housing Study**

9:50-10:00

**Community Sharing**-*Updates on local projects*

**Adjourn**

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### WHAT IS CONNECT?

Marion County CONNECT is a quarterly gathering of individuals within Marion County who are interested in economic development. The goal of the gatherings is to build a network of leaders within the area interested in advancing the economy and secondly, to provide those leaders resources to achieve goals. Each quarter the meeting has a different focus area. The gatherings are free to attend. Meetings are held in person to allow for networking.

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

You can sign up for notifications about meetings at [marioncountyiowa.gov](http://marioncountyiowa.gov) under the development commission header. The meeting is a public meeting, but of special interest to elected officials, local government managers, businesses, utilities, education and local community organizations.

### WHAT WILL I LEARN ABOUT?

This quarter we will be focusing on efforts to upskill, train, and recruit workforce. Share your workforce challenges and needs with partners working to build talent in Marion County.

We will also have a brief overview of the recently released Marion County Housing Study and an opportunity for attendees to share what is going on in their community or organization.