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State Honors City of Jasper as Leader in Workplace Safety and Health

INDIANAPOLIS (December 19, 2017) – The City of Jasper, Ind., achieved recertification in the Indiana Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (INSHARP). Maintaining certification for over 14 years, the City of Jasper has demonstrated excellence in proactively eliminating or limiting workplace safety and health hazards, reducing worker injuries, and protecting city employees.

The City of Jasper, county seat of Dubois County, is home to over 15,000 Hoosiers, the 55th largest Indiana city, and an employer of approximately 174 workers.

“The City of Jasper is an excellent representation of a thriving workplace safety and health culture,” said Commissioner Rick Ruble. “The Indiana Department of Labor sincerely thanks the city for its commitment to protecting Hoosier workers.”

The City of Jasper was the first Hoosier workplace to achieve INSHARP certification, and as such, it the longest certified site in Indiana. Furthermore, the City of Jasper is the only public sector organization that has achieved INSHARP.

The City of Jasper has served as an ambassador for the INSHARP program and workplace safety and health excellence as demonstrated by hosting and participating in workplace safety and health “Best Practice” meetings, actively supporting outreach efforts, and engaging in many other safety-related activities. The City of Jasper’s most recent workplace injury and illness rate was nearly half the national industry average.

About the Indiana Department of Labor:

The mission of the Indiana Department of Labor is to advance the safety, health, and prosperity of Hoosiers in the workplace. In order to make significant strides, the Indiana Department of Labor emphasizes both enforcement and voluntary compliance by employers. Follow the Indiana Department of Labor on Twitter under the handle [@INDeptofLabor](https://twitter.com/INDeptofLabor) and on Facebook at www.facebook.com/IndianaDepartmentofLabor.

About INSHARP:

The Indiana Safety and Health Recognition Program provides recognition to Hoosier employers that operate exemplary safety and health management systems. Certification in INSHARP is an achievement of status that will single employers out among their business peers as a model worksite for Hoosier workplace safety and health.

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