

*An Update from the Central Florida Development Council*

*Polk County's Economic Development Partnership*

**PROJECT ANNOUNCEMENT**



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Project Rotag announced its intent to build a 256,000 sf, state-of-the-art micro mill in Frostproof. Nucor, the largest U.S. based steel company, projects a capital investment of \$240 million and 250 new jobs paying an average annual wage of \$66,000.

**POLK COUNTY FAM TOUR**



CFDC and our city economic development partners, hosted a team of Enterprise Florida project managers on a familiarization tour of Polk County. Florida Polytechnic University, Merlin Magic Marking, the Intermodal Logistics Center and NOAA provided tours of their facilities. Thank you to Duke Energy, Florida Public Utilities and TECO for their sponsorship of the event. The tour ended with a spring training game at Joker Marchant Stadium where brokers, developers and realtors joined the group.



**AVIATION INDUSTRY**

Central Florida Aviation Event

May 2, 2018

8:00 a.m. Breakfast

Showcasing Polk's aviation industry, CFDC was pleased to host project managers from Enterprise Florida for the SUN n' FUN Fly-In. Thank you to Eric Crump, Aerospace Program Director at Polk State College, for helping our state economic development staff see first-

8:30 a.m. Program

hand what assets are available here in Polk County.

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## IN THE NEWS

Medline completes new Polk County distribution center

Florida's population, economy are growing

Polk Parkway extension receives \$15 million boost

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

TECO Energy begins construction on first of 10 new [solar-generating facilities](#).

[Polk State College](#) nursing programs achieve reaccreditation.

[FPL Connect](#) and [Duke Energy](#), chosen as 'top utilities - powering growth.'

We are adding a new 'announcements' section to the CFDCConnections monthly newsletter for business and community announcements. If you have news you want to share in our monthly newsletter please send headlines and links to [lindsay@cfdc.org](mailto:lindsay@cfdc.org).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

*Wed., May 2*

**Central Florida Aviation Industry Event**

8:00 AM, Aerospace Discovery at the Florida Air Museum on the SUN n' FUN Expo Campus

*Mon., May 14*

**CFDC Board Meeting**

4:00 PM, TECO Power Plant

*Fri., May 18*

**CFDC Competitiveness & Advocacy Committee Meeting**

9:00 AM, Citizens Bank & Trust, Barto

*Mon., May 21*

**CFDC/Polk Vision Education & Talent Pipeline Committee**

11:00 AM, BB&T Bank, Bartow

*Tues., June 5*

**CFDC Board/Investor Meetings**

3:00 PM (Board) & 4:00 PM (Investor), CertiPay, Winter Haven

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