



*An Update from the Central Florida Development Council*

*Polk County's Economic Development Partnership*

## POLK GOES GLOBAL



Thank you to all who attended the fourth annual **Polk Goes Global symposium**, co-hosted in collaboration with the Lakeland Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Winter Haven Chamber of Commerce. During the morning, participants explored the region's unique position amidst a global marketplace, trade and tariffs. Florida relies heavily on trade, exporting \$93 billion, and more than 2.2 million jobs are supported by trade.

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Event](#)

**MISSION TO PITTSBURGH**



The CFDC joined Orlando area leaders in a [mission to Pittsburgh](#) to learn how the Steel City is transforming into a model of innovation for artificial intelligence, autonomous vehicle research, public transit and venture philanthropy. The group toured Carnegie Mellon University, Google and other Pittsburgh technology hubs to learn how we can translate their success to the Central Florida area.

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## IN THE NEWS

[Florida jobless rate drops to 3.4 percent, adds 17,800 jobs](#)    [CBC Saunders, Ralston, Dantzler is a triple threat in Polk County](#)    [Florida Poly students identify new way to create oxygen in space](#)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Polk State College](#) inaugurates [LEGOLAND Florida](#) files plans to [Central Florida Health Care, Inc.](#) opens its newly renovated health center in Haines City.  
Dr. Angela Garcia Falconetti as build miniature golf course. the institution's fifth president.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

*Fri., Nov. 30*

CFDC Competitiveness & Advocacy Committee Meeting  
9:00 AM, Citizens Bank & Trust, Bartow

*Mon., Dec. 3*

**CFDC Board Meeting**

4:00 PM, Summerlin Academy, Bartow

*Wed., Dec. 5*

**Investor Holiday Party**

5:00 PM, GroveRoots, Winter Haven

*Wed., Dec. 12*

**Investor Member Visioning Retreat**

8:30 AM, Lakeland

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