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Workforce Development Leader Honored for Outstanding Service to Economic Development

The Fox Valley Workforce Development Board, a regional 501(c)3 not-for-profit directing local leadership for state and federal workforce investment programs, announced that Bobbi Miller, FVWDB's Manager of Business Services, has received the 2023 "Outstanding Service Award" from the Fox Cities Economic Development Professionals (FCEDP). Although announced at the annual meeting of the FCEDP in Fall 2023, the award was presented in person to Miller on January 17, 2024.

Miller, who has been with the FVWDB since 2005, was nominated by the FCEDP for her dedication and determination throughout the COVID-19 pandemic to continue to fight for funding and the Fox Valley area workforce. FCEDP noted on the award, "In appreciation of exemplary service to the regional economy and the Fox Cities Economic Development Professionals."

As the Board's Business Solutions Manager, Miller is responsible for maintaining relationships with employers throughout NE Wisconsin. She has helped bring in several DWD

Fast Forward Grants, which have resulted in more than \$1 million being invested in our region, and provides strategic leadership to the Board's business services team.

Miller joins a growing list of outstanding local leaders who have received the award:

- Karen Harkness – Community Economic Development Director, City of Appleton, and Mary Kohrell – Economic Development Director, Calumet County (2022)
- Pam Seidl, Executive Director, Fox Cities Convention and Visitors Bureau (2021)

FVWDB operates the Fox Cities Job Center – Menasha, and has a team of trained counselors, called career planers, who work with customers on skills assessments, resume development, job search strategies called career services. In addition, FVWDB manages a number of grants from federal and state sources which cover the cost of tuition, books, mileage to/from campus, childcare during training, and other supportive services to help ensure the enrolled clients complete their education and fill one of the many jobs open across our region.

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Fox Valley Workforce Development Board (FVWDB) is a not-for-profit working to build a world-class workforce in northeast Wisconsin. Serving six counties — Calumet, Green Lake, Fond du Lac, Waupaca, Waushara and Winnebago — FVWDB collaborates with a number of state and local agencies to help job seekers gain the skills needed to find employment, and to help businesses find the highly skilled workers they need.

Photo Caption 1: Fox Valley Workforce Development Board's Bobbi Miller with her award for Outstanding Service from the Fox Cities Economic Development Professionals.

Photo Caption 2: Members of the Fox Cities Economic Development Professionals (FCEDP) surprise 2023 Outstanding Service Award winner Bobbi Miller on January 17, 2024.

Photo Caption 3: Members of the Fox Cities Economic Development Professionals (FCEDP) present Bobbi Miller with the 2023 Outstanding Service Award on January 17, 2024. From left: Sam Schroeder (City of Menasha Community Development Director), Miller, Sadie DiNatale Burda (Outagamie County Deputy Director of Development and Land Services), Kevin Englebert (Outagamie County Director of Development and Land Services) and David Wuestenberg (Fox Valley Technical College Economic Development Manager).

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