

## Welcome to Centralia Economic Development: Where Opportunities Flourish

Discover the vibrant economic landscape of Centralia, Missouri - a city that seamlessly blends a rich history with a commitment to innovation and growth. As a pivotal hub located just 25 miles northeast of Columbia, Centralia stands at the crossroads of heritage and opportunity.

### Why Centralia?

Centralia's story began in 1857 as a strategic railway station, and today, it's a thriving community served by national rail lines - Norfolk Southern, Kansas City Southern, and the COLT Railroad. Our city has evolved into a dynamic economic center that welcomes businesses of all sizes, from global industry leaders to beloved local enterprises.

### Hubbell Power Systems: Leading the Way

Centralia proudly hosts Hubbell Power Systems, the largest manufacturer in Boone County. Internationally recognized for excellence in manufacturing and distributing electrical distribution systems equipment, Hubbell Power Systems epitomizes the spirit of innovation that defines Centralia.

### Small Business, Big Impact

At the heart of our economic vibrancy are our local entrepreneurs. Centralia celebrates and supports small, locally-owned businesses that add character to our commercial landscape. Whether you're strolling through charming boutiques, enjoying a cup of coffee in a cozy café, or exploring unique storefronts, you'll experience the thriving spirit of local entrepreneurship.

### Enhanced Enterprise Zone (EEZ): A Gateway to Success

Centralia has established an Enhanced Enterprise Zone (EEZ) dedicated to fueling economic growth. This initiative offers aggressive tax benefits, creating an inviting environment for new and expanding industrial employers. At Centralia, we believe in providing the tools for success and fostering a climate where businesses can not only survive but thrive.

### Beyond Business: Centralia Community Resources

Explore the comprehensive offerings of Centralia beyond its economic prowess. Visit our City's website, [www.centraliamo.org](http://www.centraliamo.org), for valuable information about city services, government updates, and essential links to community and regional organizations. Centralia is not just a city; it's a community that values collaboration and shared success.

Centralia is more than a destination; it's an opportunity waiting to be explored. Whether you're a global industry player, a local entrepreneur, or an investor seeking growth, Centralia invites you to be part of our dynamic economic landscape. Your journey to success begins in

Centralia—where heritage meets innovation, and every opportunity has room to flourish!

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