## SEPTEMBER BUSINESS & DEVELOPMENT

Community Development Services Department

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# **Updates**



### HIGHLAND GREEN:

The City continues to work on the 33-unit Highland Green affordable housing project and has committed \$291,580 in Federal HOME Investment Partnerships funding to the development along with \$208,420 in Federal Community Development Block Grant funding. The project site will be donated from the City at the anticipated closing, with construction beginning shortly thereafter. The project will also qualify for incentives under the Think Urbana program for its establishment of single and two-family homes.



## ART PLACE:

Open Scene is accepting applications from youth participants. Twelve youth and ten adults will be selected to take part in the series of workshops, discussions and art showcases that amplify the voices of marginalized youth. Open Scene, a collaborative project by the City of Urbana and the Independent Media Center (IMC) was awarded a \$50,000 Our Town grant from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) in spring 2016. The deadline for youth nominations and applications is November 1, applications available at ucimc.org/open\_scene.



#### 40 UNDER 40

Marketing Coordinator & Director of Urbana's Market at the Square Natalie Kenny Marquez has been selected as a Central Illinois Business Magazine 40 Under 40 recipient.



## REGIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD NETWORK CONFERENCE

The City was a cosponsor of the 2016 RNNC, bringing together over 300 neighborhood leaders from throughout the Midwest. Urbana programs included a community gardens tour, a panel discussion on our cooperative efforts with Habitat for Humanity, and a presentation on affordable housing in a park-like setting. The City sponsored a number of local neighborhood leaders to attend the conference.

# **Upcoming Events**



OCTOBER 7, 4:30pm-11:00pm:

Imbibe Urbana First Friday. Downtown Urbana.



OCTOBER 12, 5:00pm-7:00pm:

UBA BizBash. location TBD.



OCTOBER 15, 5:00pm-7:00pm:

IMC Open House for Open Scene. UCIMC 202 S Broadway.



OCTOBER 25, 11:00am-2:00pm:

Urbana Food Truck Rally. Urbana Civic Center, 108 E Water.



OCTOBER 26, 4:00pm-5:00pm:

Eastland Apartments Ribbon Cutting. 1905 N Cunningham.



**NOVEMBER 3-5:** 

C-U Folk & Roots Festival.

# **Development Activity**

CURRENT PROJECTS									
BUSINESS	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	PROJECT TYPE	PROJECT COST	APPROVED INCENTIVES				
D o w n t o w n									
Choices Inc.	Social Service	102 E Main	Renovation - Complete	\$149,813	-				
Parasol Records	Online Retail	303 W Griggs	Renovation - Complete	\$170,000	TRI				
NuMed	Medical Marijuana	105 E University	Renovation - Under Construction	\$180,000	-				
Schnucks	Grocery Store	200 N Main	Renovation - Under Construction	\$893,550	-				
Stephens Building	Mixed use – 4 units	218 W Main	Rehab - Under Construction	\$350,000	TDA, EZST				
Cherry Tree Cafe	Cafe	129 N Race	Renovation - Under Construction	\$55,000	TDA, TBG, EZST				
Lab Escape	Escape Room	Lincoln Square	Renovation - Under Construction	Unknown	-				
Broadway Market	Food Market	401 N Broadway	Renovation - Demolition Underway	Unknown	TDA, EZST				
25 O'Clock Brewery	Brewery	208 W. Griggs	Renovation - Under Construction	\$210,000	TRI, EZST				
Dr. G's Brainworks	Retail	Lincoln Square	Relocation - Closing Store	NA	-				
University-Medical									
CUMTD	Government	803 E University	Expansion - Under Construction	\$8,225960	-				
Lucy Lu's	Gaming Hall	202 W University	Renovation - Under Construction	\$225,000	-				
Dairy Queen	Fast Food	911 W University	Renovation - Under Construction	\$250,000	-				
Burger King	Restaurant	1106 E University	Renovation - Foundation Underway	Unknown	EZST, EZPT				
Gateway Shoppes Outlot	Quick Service Restaurant	106 E University	New - Plans Under Review	Unknown	-				
C a m p u s									
Starbucks	Coffee Shop	701 S Gregory	Renovation - Complete	\$158,200	-				
Alpha Gamma Delta	Sorority	1106 S Lincoln	Remodel - Complete	\$467,165	-				
Farmhouse Fraternity	Fraternity	809 W Pennsylvania	Remodel - Complete	\$61,575	-				

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North Lincoln Avenue									
CU Women's Boxing	Gym	1908 N Linview	New Business - Existing Building	Unknown	-				
Mosque & Islamic Assoc.	Religious	106 S Lincoln	New - Under Construction	\$1,471,786	-				
Leek & Sons	Funeral Home	1215 Bradley Avenue	New - Under Construction	\$1,260,043	EZST, EZPT				
Cunningham Avenue									
Bangkok Thai	Restaurant	1104 N Cunningham	New Business - Existing Building	Unknown	-				
Eastland Apartments	Residential – 40 Units	1905 N Cunningham	New - Complete	\$1,725,000	-				
Northgate Gaming Lounge	Gaming Parlor	1504 N. Cunningham	Renovation - Permit issued	Unknown	-				
Cell Tower	Cell Tower	2000 N. Cunningham	New - Special Use Permit Approved	Unknown	-				
Highland Green	Affordable Workforce & Veteran – 33 Units	401 & 403 E Kerr	New - Plans Under Review	Unknown	EZST, EZPT				
South Urbana									
Midwest Scuba	Recreation	1717 Philo	New Business - Existing Building	Unknown	-				
Brittany's Sweet Spot	Bakery	906 E Harding	New Business - Home Occupation	NA	-				
Dotty's	Gaming Hall	1101 E Colorado	Remodel - Complete	\$64,970	-				
Planet Fitness	Gym	1704 E Amber Lane	Renovation - Complete	\$629,926	EZPT				
Clark-Lindsey Village	Residential, Wellness, — 24 residents, Pool	101 W Windsor	New - Under Construction	\$4,066,756	-				
Day Care Center	Day Care	1101 E Colorado	Remodel - Conditional Use Approved	Unknown	-				
Marco's Pizza	Restaurant	1901 S Philo	Remodel - Permit Issued	\$349,000	-				
Amber Glen	Assisted Living	1704 E Amber Lane	Renovation - Plans Approved	Unknown	-				
White Oaks Mini Storage	Storage	3004 Tatman Court	New - Plans Under Review	Unknown	-				
Walmart	Retail Store	100 S High Cross	Renovation - Plans Under Review	Unknown	-				
County Market	Grocery	1819 Philo	Stores Closed, Plans Pending	NA	-				

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## **Added Square Feet (by permit)**

## **Total Square Feet Added Yearto-Date All Project Types**

The City of Urbana collects data on square footage added through issued building permits for both additions and new construction. A total of 100,825 square feet have been added from January through August 2016. The variance between 2015 and 2016 was primarily due to the construction of 901 Western Apartments in July 2015. *Source: Urbana Permit Data* 

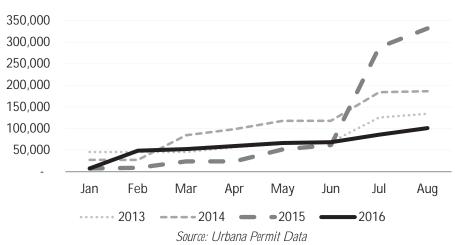
# **Single-Family and Duplex Residential Square Feet Added**

Year-to-date square footage added for single and two-family new residential construction totals 35,262 square feet. The City created the Think Urbana program (the residential marketing campaign for the Enterprise Zone) to promote new lower-density residential development. Under this new program new single and two family housing is expected to increase. To-date, five residential one and two family projects, with a total of 28 units have applied to receive Think Urbana incentives. Source: Urbana Permit Data

# THINK URBANA

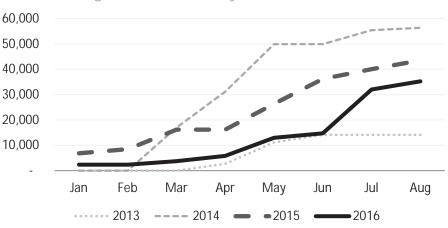
# Year-To-Date Square Footage Added

All New Construction & Additions



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Single and Two Family New Construction



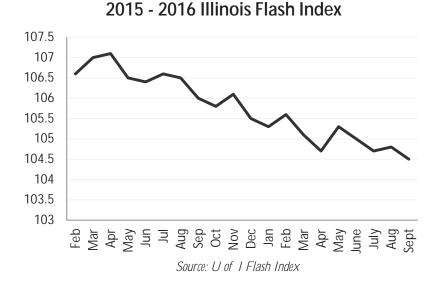
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# **Research & Analysis**

## **Flash Index**

The U of I Flash Index provides a quick look at the performance of the Illinois economy. The Flash Index decreased slightly from 104.8 in August to 104.5 in September.

Source: U of I Flash Index



## **Home Sales**

The Champaign County Association of REALTORS ® provides data monthly on Champaign County home sales. Year-to-date homes sales are up in 2016 from 2015. with 2,151 homes sold in 2016 and 1,980 in 2015. Source: CCAR Newsletter

### **Home Values**

Freddie Mac provides data on home appreciation. Freddie Mac generates this data through estimations using repeat transactions. The estimated annual house price appreciation for June 2015 through June 2016 was 1%. for the Champaign-Urbana Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA).

Source: Freddie Mac

# Year-to-date Champaign County Home Sales

