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- Provide worldwide leadership and excellence in economic development for our communities, organizations, members and partners

STRATEGIC DIRECTIVES

- Entrepreneurship
- Sustainability
- Globalization
IEDC Urban Retrospective
Recommendations:
Entrepreneurship Strategies for Urban Revitalization

- Build capacity in cities for entrepreneurship development
- Establish a national program to stimulate entrepreneurship, especially technology-oriented entrepreneurs and provide services to entrepreneurs, especially equity capital
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- Strengthen and disseminate entrepreneurship education for youth
- Strengthen technology research in cities as a tool for entrepreneurship development, especially the technology transfer components
Entrepreneurship Summit
April 1, 2008

- Partner with Kauffman Foundation
- One day Summit to bring together national experts to:
  - Identify best practices in entrepreneurship development efforts
  - Identify the essential infrastructure of an entrepreneurial environment and how can communities best provide it
  - Identify new research avenues to further our understanding of entrepreneurship development