

Rep. Kind: Announces federal grant to UW-Platteville and Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission, bringing \$1 million in new investment to region

Posted on Wednesday, Sep 23, 2020

>> **WisPolitics is now on the State Affairs network. Get custom keyword notifications, bill tracking and all WisPolitics content. [Get the app or access via desktop.](#)**

Washington, DC —Today, **Rep. Ron Kind** announced that the University of Wisconsin-Platteville and the Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SWWRPC) were selected to receive a highly competitive federal grant from the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA). This EDA investment will fund the Innovation Driving Entrepreneurship Accelerator, or IDEA Hub, of Southwestern Wisconsin and harness the innovation, science, technology, engineering, math (STEM) capacity of UW-Platteville and the strong regional economic development network of SWWRPC to strengthen scalable technology entrepreneurship across the region and support rural communities.

“I am glad to see UW-Platteville and the Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission receive this highly competitive and well-deserved grant from the U.S. Economic Development Administration,” said **Rep. Ron Kind**. “Investing in our communities is crucial, and I applaud the hard work of everyone involved with this project to support our local economies and bring jobs to Southwestern Wisconsin. Our future is bright thanks to initiatives like this, and I look forward to seeing all the great things accomplished through this federal funding. Congratulations to UW-Platteville and the Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission.”

UW-Platteville and SWWRPC were one of 52 awardees out of the nearly 600 applicants.