

## Currently “Active” Regional Centers (As of October 2007)

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### 1. California Consortium for Agricultural Export



**Approved:** April 18, 2002  
**Reaffirmed by USCIS:** March 19, 2007  
**Address:** 333 Grand Avenue, 25<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Los Angeles, CA  
**Phone/Fax:** (213) 892-6367/(213) 892-2267  
**Geographic Area:** 9 counties in Central California known as the San Joaquin Valley.  
**Focus of Economic Growth Activity:** An agricultural investment program purchasing and converting fallow or row crop lands into permanent commercially viable fruit and/or nut trees and grape vines for the domestic and export markets, wineries, and elevator platform machinery manufacturing.  
**Point of Contact:** Susan Spencer, President  
Kelly Spencer, Director of Marketing & Investor Relations

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### 2. Philadelphia Industrial Development Corporation

**Approved:** February 28, 2003  
**Reaffirmed by USCIS:** April 23, 2004  
**Address:** 2600 Centre Square West  
1500 Market Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19102-2126  
**Phone/Fax:** (215)496-8020; (215)977-9618  
**Geographic Area:** Philadelphia County, PA  
**Focus of Economic Growth Activity:** Tourism convention and visitor services through the hotel, restaurant and hospitality industry; commercial office space renovation and leasing; merchandise import and export sales; investment in high-tech start up companies as well as information and bio-tech enterprises; and trucking and warehousing and transportation enterprises.  
**Point of Contact:** Peter Longstreth, President  
Thomas Rosenfeld, Attorney

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**3. South Dakota International Business Institute Dairy Economic Development Region (SDIBI--DEDR)**

**Approved:** April 8, 2004  
**Reaffirmed by USCIS:** July 18, 2005 and December 12, 2006  
**Address:** 711 East Wells Avenue  
Pierre, South Dakota 57501-3369  
**Phone/Fax:** (605)773-5032; (605)773-3256  
**Focus of Economic Growth Activity:** Factory Dairy Farming, Dairy Processing, Heifer Ranches, Meat Packing and Processing, and hospitality sectors.  
**Geographic Area:** The 44 rural counties in eastern South Dakota  
**Point of Contact:** Mr. Joop Bollen

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**4. The Gateway Freedom Fund/AKA: Golden Rainbow Freedom Fund/American Life**

**Approved:** February 5, 1996  
**Endorsed by USCIS (via case approvals):** March 26, 2007  
**Address:** 18034 13th Street, Seattle, WA 98177  
**Phone/fax:** 206-624-5622  
**Geographic Area:** 1) As Golden Rainbow Freedom Fund, air cargo and manufacturing facility in Jackson County, Oregon; 2) As Gateway: City of Seattle Neighborhood Reinvestment Area in Seattle, Washington  
**Focus of Economic Growth Activity:** air and ocean cargo facilities; and manufacturing; warehouses  
**Point of Contact:** Henry Liebmann, Attorney (206-624-5622)

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**5. Iowa Department of Economic Development (IDED)**

**Approved:** December 2004  
**Address:** 200 East Grand Avenue  
Des Moines, Iowa 50309  
**Phone/Fax:** (515)242-4700/(515)242-4809  
**Geographic Area:** 77 Rural and Small Urban Counties in Iowa  
**Focus of Economic Growth Activity:** Dairy Farming.  
**Point of Contact:** Mr. Michael T. Blouin, Director, IDED

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## 6. Capital Area Regional Center

**Approved:** November 25, 2005  
**Address:** 888 Sixteenth St NW, Suite 800  
Washington, DC 20006  
**Phone/Fax:** (202)349-9848; (202)355-1399  
**Geographic Area:** Legal boundaries of the District of Columbia (Washington, DC) and the contiguous adjacent areas of Montgomery and Prince Georges Counties in Maryland, Arlington and Fairfax counties in Virginia, and the city of Alexandria, VA.  
**Focus of Economic Growth Activity:** Mixed hotel, retail, office and residential space; a soccer stadium; conference center space, and industrial space.  
**Point of Contact:** Michael R. Sears  
John Tung

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## 7. The Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon Regional Center

**Approved:** December 27, 2005  
**Address:** 4305 Santa Fe Avenue  
1500 Market Street  
Vernon, CA 90058  
**Phone/Fax:** (215)496-8020; (215)977-9618  
**Geographic Area:** The legal boundaries which constitute the city of Vernon, CA.  
**Focus of Economic Growth Activity:** Food Products processing and manufacturing; apparel manufacturing; transportation and warehousing; household furniture and furnishings.  
**Point of Contact:** Bruce V. Malkenhorst, Executive Director  
Lincoln Stone, Attorney

**(NOTE: HAS REQUESTED “VOLUNTARY TERMINATION”)**

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## 8. Mayor's Office of Economic Development (New Orleans)

**Approved:** January 18, 1994  
**Reaffirmed by USCIS:** February 16, 2007  
**Address:** Mayor's Office of Economic Development  
1515 Poydras Street, Suite 1150

**Phone/fax:**

New Orleans, LA 70112

**Geographic Area:**

Office: 504-658-0919

**Focus of Economic Growth Activity:**

Orleans Parish and the City of New Orleans  
Leasehold Improvements to Fixed Asset  
Commercial Buildings Sector; Mobile  
Medical Services Facilities Sector;  
Commercial Lodging, Hotels, and  
Hospitality Sector; Mixed-use Real Estate  
Construction-Reconstruction Sector; Mixed-  
use Residential Lease and Rental Properties  
Sector; Arts and Sciences Industry Sector;  
Harbor Facilities Sector; Gaming and  
Casinos Sector; and Marine Sector  
(Commercial Fishing, Processing, Packing,  
and Shipping Facilities)

**Points of Contact:**

Chase Story, International Liaison  
504-658-0919

Bart Hungerford & Timothy Milbrath  
NobleOutreach (301) 948-0326

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### **9. Whatcom Opportunities Regional Center, Inc. (WORC, Inc.)**

**Approved:**

October 13, 2006

**Address:**

P.O. Box 2803  
Bellingham, WA 98227  
1305 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 301  
Bellingham, WA 98225

**Geographic Area:**

The legal boundaries which constitute Whatcom  
County, Washington.

**Focus of Economic Growth Activity:**

Capital investments and job creation in assisted  
living facilities for the elderly within Whatcom  
County

**Point of Contact:**

Rob Pochert, CEcD, EDFP, Executive Director  
K. David Andersson, Attorney

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### **10. Vermont Agency of Commerce and Community Development**

**Approved:**

June 26, 1997

**Reaffirmed by USCIS:**

March 19, 2007

**Address:**

National Life Bldg., Drawer 20, Montpelier,  
VT 05620

**Phone:**

(802) 828-5202

**Geographic Area:**

State of Vermont

**Focus of Economic Growth Activity:** Export-related companies; tourism, hospitality and Commercial Resorts Development  
**Point of Contact:** John Kessler, General Counsel

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**11. Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development Regional Center**

**Approved:** April 13, 2007  
**Address:** Department of Community and Economic Development  
Harrisburg, PA 17120  
**Phone/Fax:** (718) 624-7850  
**Geographic Area:** The contiguous geographic area encompassing twenty-three (23) counties of western Pennsylvania and the delineated Targeted Employment Areas (TEAs) within the Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA); delineated TEAs within the city of Pittsburgh; and delineated TEAs within the Erie and Johnstown, Pennsylvania SMSAs.  
**Focus of Economic Growth Activity:** Tourism and hospitality; Technology; Transportation; Manufacturing and Trade; Health Services; Agriculture and Food Production; Higher Education; and Leasehold Improvements to Commercial Office & Mixed-Use Spaces  
**Points of Contact:** Dennis Yablonsky  
Secretary  
James Rowley  
Deputy Secretary  
Dept. of Community & Economic Development  
  
Thomas Rosenfeld, Esq.  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
CanAm Enterprises, LLC  
32 Court Street, Suite 1501  
Brooklyn, N.Y. 11201

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**12. CMB Export LLC**

**Approved:** August 15, 1997  
**Reaffirmed by USCIS:** April 18, 2007

**Address:** Corona Professional Center, 400 S. Ramona Avenue, Suite 212AA, Corona, CA 91719  
**Phone/fax:** 800-238-8022  
**Geographic Area:** CMB Export LLC development area which is related to former military bases located in the counties of Sacramento, San Bernardino and Riverside CA  
**Focus of Economic Growth Activity:** Export activity related to development of military bases; air cargo, sea port development as export centers  
**Point of Contact:** Patrick F. Hogan, President, CMB Export LLC  
4507 49th Avenue  
Moline, Illinois 61265  
Attorney, Lincoln Stone (Stone and Grzegorek, LLP)

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### 13. Global Century Development Group I, LP (Global Century)

**Approved:** April 18, 2007  
**Address:** Global Century Development Group-I, LP  
11205 Bellaire Blvd., SuiteB-33  
Houston, TX 77072-2545 **Phone/fax:**  
**Geographic Area:** The contiguous geographic area of Houston's Chinatown encompassing the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #15 (TIRZ), a 60-block area bounded by Preston Street on the North, Dowling Street on the East, St. Joseph parkway on the South, and Chartres Street on the West.  
**Focus of Economic Growth Activity:** Financing and developing commercial and mixed-use real estate within the GCRC geographic area in the following five (5) target industries: Hotel and Hospitality; Retail; Mixed Use Residential; Commercial Office; Restaurant & Entertainment.  
**Points of Contact:** Mr. Dan Nip, President  
Global Century Development Group-I, LP  
11205 Bellaire Blvd., SuiteB-33  
Houston, TX 77072-2545  
  
Mr. H. Richard Sindelar III, Esq.  
Tindall & Foster, P.C.  
600 Travis Street, Suite 2800

**14. Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce (MMAC)**

**Approved:** May 1, 2007  
**Address:** 756 N. Milwaukee Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53202  
**Phone/fax:** 414-287-4100  
**Geographic Area:** The seven (7) counties of southeastern Wisconsin: Kenosha, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Walworth, Washington, and Waukesha (including Targeted Employment Areas within the cities of Racine and Milwaukee, Wisconsin.  
**Focus of Economic Growth Activity:** Business and professional services; Financial activities and business process services; Health services and medical technology; Manufacturing; Printing and printing support; Wholesale Trade and distribution; and Hospitality and Entertainment.  
**Point of Contact:** Timothy R. Sheehy, President  
Peter Beitzel, Vice President  
Metropolitan Milwaukee Assoc. of Commerce

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**15. Alabama Center for Foreign Investment (ACFI)**

**Approved:** June 11, 2007  
**Address:** RSA Union, 100 N. Union Street, Suite 682,  
36104  
P.O. Box 5079  
Montgomery, AL 36103  
**Phone/fax:** (334) 954-3111/(334) 954-3112  
**Geographic Area:** State of Alabama  
**Focus of Economic Activity:** Heavy and light manufacturing; agriculture; High technology; construction; Hospitality, resort and service industries (hotels, restaurants, resorts, golf courses, entertainment, and the like); Schools, health care facilities, and infrastructure; and Cruise line support services.  
**Point of Contact:** Ronald Drinkard, Executive Director  
Boyd Campbell, General Counsel

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**16. Kansas Biofuel Regional Center, LLC**

**Approved:** April 17, 2007  
**Address:** Kansas Biofuel Regional Center, LLC  
3250 Wilshire Blvd, Suite #1700  
Los Angeles, CA 90010  
**Telephone:** (213) 380-2828  
**Fax:** (213) 380-0570  
**Geographic Area:** Twenty-one (21) counties located in the southwest region of the State of Kansas.  
**Focus of Economic Growth Activity:** Building and operation of fuel grade ethanol production facilities within the geographic bounds of the regional center.  
**Point of Contact:** Justin M. Lee and Thomas E. Kent, Esqs.

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**17. Southwest Biofuels Regional Center, LLC (SWBRC)**

**Approved:** June 21, 2007  
**Address:** 3250 Wilshire Blvd, Suite #1700  
Los Angeles, CA 90010  
**Phone/fax:** 213-380-2898/213-380-0570  
**Geographic Area:** The contiguous geographic area encompasses the 40 counties located in the northwest region of the State of Texas, and 9 counties located in the western region of the State of Oklahoma  
**Focus of Economic Activity:** Development and operation of fuel grade ethanol production facilities.  
**Point of Contact:** Justin M. Lee, President and CEO

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**[Previously Designated Regional Center Now Under Suspension based on a USCIS issued “Intent to Terminate”, with a presently open period of time in which to respond with evidence, data and documentation necessary for reinstatement to avoid a final Action to Terminate]**

**Hawaii, Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism**

**Approved:** October 26, 1995  
**Notification of Intent to Terminate Dated:** March 30, 2007  
**Address:** Hawaii State Department of Business,



Economic Development and Tourism  
(DBEDT)  
No. 1 Capitol District Bldg.,  
5th Floor, Diamond Head Wing  
250 South Hotel Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
**Phone/fax:** 808-586-2355, Ext. 3033/586-2377  
**Geographic Area:** Within the State of Hawaii  
**Contact:** Christopher Baron  
email: cbaron@dbedt.hawaii.gov  
**Focus of Economic Growth Activity:** Tourism (Hawaii's major export); industries  
Identified as export-related.

**AS OF OCTOBER 19, 2007: REGIONAL CENTERS CURRENTLY PENDING  
RE-AFFIRMATION**

**1. Aero-Space Port International Group [ASPI Group]**

**Formerly Approved by Legacy INS:** March 24, 1994  
**Address:** 512 Strander Boulevard,  
Tukwila, WA 98188;  
5200 Southcenter Blvd. 98188-2383  
**Phone/fax:** 206-241-8000; 243-3000  
**Geographic Area:** Within ASPI Group, located at Grant  
County International Airport in Moses Lake  
**Focus of Economic Growth Activity:** High tech, agricultural and other export  
products to Europe and Pacific rim countries  
through international air cargo facilities  
**Point of Contact:** Andy Chen, Executive Vice President &  
CFO;  
Kim Foster, Corporate Counsel

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**2. Unibex Global Corporation**

**Formerly Approved by Legacy INS:** October 23, 1995  
**Address:** 1201 Eleanor Avenue  
Las Vegas, NV 89106  
**Phone/fax:** 702-646-7068; 646-7561  
**Geographic Area:** Within UBC's master-planned business  
center in North Las Vegas, Nevada.  
**Focus of Economic Growth Activity:** International trade, distribution, tourism and  
export trade, including Southwest Indian art  
**Point of Contact:** Otis R. Harris, Chairman and CEO, UGC;  
Karen Sit Dorfman 702-388-6649