



# News Release

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## **Prairie Quest Consulting Growing Fort Wayne Operations** *Company to add jobs, move office to East Berry Street*

**Fort Wayne, Ind. (Jan. 09, 2009)** — Prairie Quest Consulting announced that it is moving its operations from 1830 Wayne Trace to larger offices at 620 East Berry Street. The company will renovate and add new information technology equipment to the building and expects to have the project finished by June 2009. Three full and part-time employees will be added after the move has been completed.

“We believe we have found an excellent location to accommodate our growing organization,” said Stacey Smith, president and CEO of Prairie Quest Consulting. “By updating this property, we will enhance our company image and increase our productivity by having additional room for future employees.” Prairie Quest Consulting is a professional services business that provides operational and acquisition management support to federal, state, local and commercial customers. The company also has an office in Indianapolis.

“Prairie Quest Consulting’s decision to relocate and expand operations near downtown Fort Wayne is very encouraging news for the city,” stated Fort Wayne Mayor Tom Henry. “The company’s expansion in Fort Wayne is a sign of the continuing growth of our business community.”

The company will invest a total of \$165,500 for the project with \$149,500 going toward real estate improvements and \$16,000 for information technology upgrades. These upgrades include the addition of a new network server, phone system and facility security system. Starting Tuesday, the Fort Wayne Common Council will consider phasing in personal and real property taxes associated with the project. The new building is also located in an Economic Development Target Area, as well as a HUBZone.

“I am so pleased to see Prairie Quest Consulting expanding their operations in Fort Wayne. The defense industry is a critical segment of our community and Stacey has helped countless small businesses to become successfully engaged in it leading to further economic development opportunities for our region.” said Kristine Foate, president and CEO of the Greater Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce.

### **About Prairie Quest Consulting**

*Prairie Quest Consulting has a strong history of public and private sector contracts. The company focuses on the areas of strategic spend analysis and acquisition management, project management and business process analysis and support. For more information on Prairie Quest Consulting, visit [www.prairiequest.com](http://www.prairiequest.com).*

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