



Tuesday, March 10th, 2026

4:30pm to 8:30pm **IDF 2026 Networking Reception**

Hungry Run Distillery, 30 Ridens Road, Lewistown PA 17044. The bus will depart from the Nittany Lion Inn at 4:30pm to celebrate America's 250th Anniversary and the impact of industrial development in Pennsylvania and its promising future.

Wednesday, March 11th, 2026

Nittany Lion Inn, 200 W Park Ave, State College PA 16803

- 8:30am to 9:30am: **Registration & Exhibit Hall Networking**
- 9:30am to 9:45am: **Industrial Development Forum Welcome**
Dr. Andrew Read, Senior Vice President of Research, Penn State
- 9:45am to 10:45am: **Keynote Presentation - Industrial Investment in an AI World**
Ronn Cort, President/CEO, Dunmore
- 10:45am to 11:00am: Networking Break
- 11:00am to 12:00pm: **Presentation: Utilizing AI, Advanced Technology for Smart Growth & Industrial Development**
Evan Stair, Partner and Managing Director of Analytics, Vista Site Selection
Brad Zdenek, Director of Economic Development and Student Programs The Pennsylvania State University
- 12:00pm to 1:00pm: Networking Lunch
- 1:00pm to 1:30pm: Coffee & Dessert Networking at Exhibit Hall
- 1:30pm to 2:00pm: **BusinessPA – PA Gets It Done Update: Impacts & Initiatives**
Rick Siger, Secretary (*invited*)
PA Department of Community & Economic Development
- 2:00pm to 3:00pm: **Central PA Industrial Investor/Leader Panel**
Moderated by *Aaron Pitts*, Chief Commercial Officer, BusinessPA
Becky Ford, Manager, Economic Development, AWS
Ethan Wendle, Chairman, DiamondBack Covers
Industrial Leader, Phillips (Ultrasound, Reedsville PA)
- 3:00pm to 3:30pm: **Closing Remarks & Next Steps**
Chair, Focus Central Pennsylvania
- 3:30pm to 4:30pm: Exhibit Hall Networking

