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**PFLUGERVILLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP. RECEIVES  
ACCREDITATION FROM THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
COUNCIL**

**PFLUGERVILLE, Texas (July 9, 2019)** — The Pflugerville Community Development Corporation (PCDC) announced that they been awarded the Accredited Economic Development Organization (AEDO) designation from the International Economic Development Council (IEDC). The PCDC becomes only one of 65 economic development organizations to receive the accreditation internationally, and only one of nine in Texas.

The AEDO program is a comprehensive peer review process that measures economic development organizations against commonly held professional standards. The program consists of two phases: a documentation review and an on-site visit. Each phase is designed to evaluate information about the structure, organization, funding, programs, and staff of the candidate economic development organization.

“I commend the PCDC board and staff for the hard work and continued focus on excellence that is mandatory to receive this distinction,” PCDC Executive Director Amy Madison said. “The accreditation is not only a rare award from the IEDC, but also a positive nod from our community leaders, regional economic development partners and business associates who were part of the stringent assessment,” she added.

According to the IEDC, earning the AEDO accreditation distinguishes the PCDC among its economic development peers and shows not only future prospects but the community that the PCDC has attained a measure of excellence and assures that only the most responsible economic development takes place within the community.

Madison will receive the AEDO accreditation plaque on behalf of the PCDC and be recognized during a special ceremony at the annual IEDC conference in September.

“I have seen the growth of our economic development corporation from its infancy years ago. I am not surprised we are where we are today,” said Pflugerville Mayor Victor Gonzales said. “With the accreditation by the IEDC we have reached a new pinnacle in business excellence and quality of life in Pflugerville. The AEDO accreditation enables Pflugerville to stand out in the

business community and bring new opportunities. We have become the best of the best thanks to leadership of the PCDC board and staff.”

Maintenance and review of the AEDO status is required every three years and is accomplished through continued documentation submission and/or on-site visits by a team of the AEDO subcommittee from IEDC to ensure best practices are maintained by accredited organizations.

### **About the International Economic Development Council**

The International Economic Development Council is the largest membership association serving economic and community development professionals in the world. With over 5,000 members nationwide and abroad, IEDC offers the economic development profession one source for information and professional development, one voice for the profession and one force for advocacy. For more information on IEDC or the AEDO program, call Dana Crater at (910) 833.7020; fax (202) 223.4745; write to IEDC at 734 15<sup>th</sup> Street NW, Suite 900, Washington, DC 20005; email [dcrater@iedconline.org](mailto:dcrater@iedconline.org); or visit IEDC’s website at [www.iedconline.org](http://www.iedconline.org).

### **About the Pflugerville Community Development Corporation**

Pflugerville, Texas, the third fastest growing city in the nation in 2017 according to U.S. Census Bureau estimates in May 2018. With a population of more than 67,000, Pflugerville is located just minutes north of downtown Austin in the desirable Central Texas region. State highways 45 and 130 and Interstate Highway 35 offer direct access to other nearby cities and a quick route to nearby airports. Hometown pride and quality of life are top priority, with residents enjoying the beautiful Lake Pflugerville, an elaborate trail system, shopping areas, new restaurants, and the community’s many parades and festivals.

PCDC is responsible for attracting, retaining and expanding businesses to create new jobs and increase tax revenue to support community development. PCDC can provide funding for use as an incentive for companies locating and growing in Pflugerville. PCDC funds, which are 4B money generated from a half-cent of the city’s sales tax revenue, can also be used to construct needed infrastructure such as roads, utilities and drainage, as well as development of public parks and recreation projects. For more information, visit [www.pfdevelopment.com](http://www.pfdevelopment.com).

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