



ANN VOLL

Sibley Center

ANN AS A DEVELOPER

Developer's Slogan

Inspiration

Sibley Machine stopped production in 2015. At that time, Ann and her husband Bill noticed a skills gap that made it difficult to find employees. They have since made it their mission to help young people develop these "real world" skills and encourage entrepreneurship.

INTERVIEW WITH DEVELOPER

Highlights

What is the biggest challenge you've faced?

It was difficult to come to the realization that they were real estate developers and not just entrepreneurs. This gave Ann more context for the project and made managing the project more realistic.

What has been your biggest success?

The discovery of incremental development potential.

What's next?

In order to prove viability for incremental development in South Bend, Ann wants to get the Sibley Center up to 80% occupancy.

EXPERIENCE/INVOLVEMENT

Graduate of Saint Mary's College
Ivy Tech Certificate
IUSB Certificate
Administration in Sibley Machine for 20 years

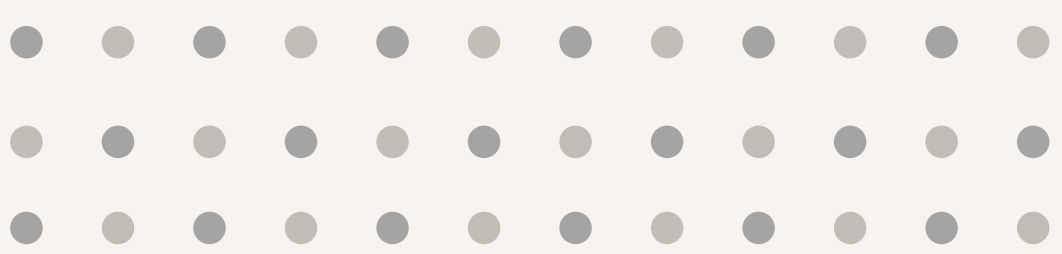
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CURRENT PROJECTS

- Building out Sibley Center as an innovation hub
- Host a digital boot camp with the Boys and Girls Club of South Bend
- Science Fair Saturdays
- Conexus Interns



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Project in the Spotlight

THE PROPERTY

Size: 50,000 sq ft

Location: 134 E Tutt St

Surroundings:

- 10 minute walk from the South Bend Police Station
- 2 minute drive from US 31 South

ON THE MAP



PROJECT OVERVIEW

Property/Project Name

Currently, the Volls are running a program that teaches students about new technologies. These are then presented to businesses that would not have been able to implement the technology on their own. The Sibley building is being cleaned and renovated to provide a place for entrepreneurs looking to expand “out of the garage.” The Volls are calling the space an “Entrepreneur’s Mall” that will offer shared resources such as WiFi and loading docks.

PROJECT TIMELINE

Accomplished

- *owns the property*
- *has renovated most of the space*
- *has designs for remaining space*
- *has found some tenants*

Next

- *find more tenants*
- *erect sign on outside of building*
- *grand opening*

