

## Institute for Youth, Education, & Families

**T**he Institute for Youth, Education, and Families, a special entity within the National League of Cities, helps municipal leaders take action on behalf of the children, youth, and families in their communities. NLC launched the Institute in January 2000 in recognition of the unique and influential roles that mayors, city council members, and other local leaders can play in strengthening families and improving outcomes for children and youth.

Responsive to municipal leaders on a wide range of issues, the Institute focuses on five core program areas:

- education
- youth development
- early childhood development
- safety of children and youth
- family economic security



The Institute is a national resource, providing **guidance and assistance** to municipal officials, compiling and disseminating **information** on promising

strategies and best practices, building **networks** of local officials working on similar issues and concerns, and conducting **research** on the key challenges facing municipalities in these core program areas. It collaborates with a broad range of national partners and works with the nation's 49 state municipal leagues to reach local officials in



18,000 cities and towns across America.

## GLOBECON

**G**LOBECON is an electronic newsletter published by NLC to help cities and towns position themselves to engage in the global economy. The newsletter is written for the key practitioners and planners responsible for maintaining and improving the global competitiveness of local economies from government, community development institutions, and business or professional associations.

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Each issue of GLOBECON shares examples of international economic development programs, announcements about educational conferences and new publications that relate to a community's competitiveness, economic research and statistics, and much more. GLOBECON is an information resource helpful to communities of all sizes – urban, suburban, and rural. Whether reporting on tried and tested local government success stories, or the risky innovations of a maverick locality, the GLOBECON newsletter explores global economic competitiveness around the world.

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