MSDC notes additional details for public unveiling of economic development plan Wednesday

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Marshall-Saline Development Corporation announced more details Tuesday for the event Wednesday, Feb. 20, to officially unveil the new countywide economic development plan.

The key features of the long-awaited plan, created in partnership with Zimmer Real Estate Group, will be unveiled at Martin Community Center, 1985 S. Odell Ave. in Marshall.

The event from 4 to 8 p.m. is open to the public and will feature speakers from across the state, include several mayors and presiding commissioners from the area, Lt. Governor Peter Kinder and a keynote speech by U.S. Rep. Emanuel Cleaver.

"We are excited about the plan but more importantly we are excited about implementing the recommendations in the plan," said Bill Riggins, executive director of MSDC. "More jobs in Saline County and the region means a higher standard of living for the people who live here."

The full text of the plan will be released online and a copy will be available at Marshall Public Library Thursday, Feb. 21.

Food and live entertainment will be provided. Convention-style booths featuring different aspects of the plan will be available at 4 p.m. Speakers will begin at 6:30 p.m.