RESPONSIBLE BIDDER
ORDINANCES PROMOTE
LOCAL CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS
A responsible bidder ordinance (RBO) sets minimum requirements for all contractors bidding on taxpayer-funded projects.

In Indiana, counties, townships, cities, towns, school districts, and hospital districts have all passed RBOs.

In fact, as of May 2018, Indiana has 40 RBOs.

40% of all Indiana workers in heavy and civil engineering construction – the sector with the highest share of taxpayer dollars – are employed in the nine counties that have RBOs.

- All nine countywide RBOs require that both contractors and subcontractors bidding on public projects participate in USDOL-approved apprenticeship training programs.
- Construction worker turnover is 1.6% lower in the nine counties with RBOs than in the counties without RBOs.
- Construction workers earn 8.3% more – about $500 more per month – in the nine counties with RBOs.


For more on RBOs, visit www.illinoisepi.org or www.iiiffc.org