



## *Report on Progress A Public Meeting*



**Campaign Victory Celebration January 2008.**

Nearly every day, someone from the Cody community asks the question, "How's it going? How are those 400 jobs coming along?" Those that have asked the questions will recognize the answer. It's the same answer we've conditioned ourselves to provide, "Things are starting to move in the right direction and good things are coming."

It's easy to understand the fixation on the job numbers as it is the most memorable item discussed in the early days of Forward Cody. It made good headlines, great coffee shop chatter and also a great tool to weigh the good or the bad of the program.

From day one, you've heard staff and board talk about economic development being a marathon, not a sprint. And it truly is. Creating a climate conducive to business growth isn't as simple as flipping a switch. But as marathons go, you have to check your watch once in a while. As we close out the second

year of the program, the Board of Forward Cody would like the community to take a look at what's been done to date and what will be done in the second half of this campaign.

The Board is inviting the community to a public meeting called, "Report of Progress". Though not really a meeting, the event is designed so that participants can see what we call the building blocks of economic development, how the pieces fit together and what we've done to create a solid foundation for economic growth in Cody.

The meeting will be held on January 21, 2010 at the Holiday Inn. The doors open to the public at 5:30 p.m. and will run until 7:00 p.m. Staff and Board members will be available for questions along with representatives of a number of projects which have been assisted. Light refreshments will be available.

Join us and see for yourself, how we are doing in this race!



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