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Lt. Governor Visits All 102 Illinois Counties

Lt. Governor Evelyn Sanguinetti made it her goal at the beginning of the Administration to visit all 102 counties in her first year in office. Her stop at the Gibson Area Hospital in Gibson City last week completed that mission.

Below is the lieutenant governor's statement on visiting all 102 counties.

"Last week, I accomplished my goal of meeting with residents in every one of our 102 counties in Illinois," Sanguinetti said. "Along the way I've met with small business owners, farmers, elected officials, students, educators, entrepreneurs, labor leaders, healthcare professionals, waterway operators, coal miners, veterans... and an endless number of Illinois residents who are ready for real reform in Illinois."

"The most important job of an elected official is to listen. As the governor's partner, it was important that I connect with as many Illinoisans as possible in the first year of this Administration," Sanguinetti said. "Meeting with residents in their own communities helps me to better serve them by learning firsthand what issues are most important throughout our diverse state."

The lieutenant governor's responsibilities as Chair of the Local Government Consolidation and Unfunded Mandates Task Force, Chair of the Governor's Rural Affairs Council, Chair of the Interagency Military Base Support and Economic Development Committee, and Chair of the Illinois River Coordinating Council, the Mississippi River Coordinating Council, and the Wabash and Ohio Rivers Coordinating Council allows her to lead the charge in advocating for an important, diverse and geographically spread-out set of interests. The Lt. Governor's outreach to all 102 counties insured the priorities of each committee, council and task force she chairs are driven by local priorities.

To see where the Lt. Governor's travels have taken her please visit her website at:

<http://www.illinois.gov/ltg/visits/Pages/default.aspx>

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