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Gateway Technical College
completes listening session schedule

Gateway Technical College completed its schedule of public listening sessions and scheduled presentations to public bodies on March 22 about its $49 million expansion plan. The plan is being presented to voters as a referendum on its April 2 ballot.

In total, more than 70 meetings and events were attended by Gateway staff to share the elements included in the referendum. Nine of these events were public listening sessions — three in each of the counties of Kenosha, Racine and Walworth.

"We have worked hard at being transparent with voters," says Bryan Albrecht, CEO and president of Gateway Technical College. "Along with all of the community meetings, we provided two informational mailings sent to each residence in the tri-county district. We also created a page on our Web site, www.gtc.edu/proposal, where we posted numerous information pieces to help taxpayers learn the details."

In addition to the nine listening sessions hosted by the college, Gateway representatives also presented information to 62 community groups including

county boards of supervisors, Rotary clubs, senior citizen groups and business organizations.

"We were happy to answer the excellent questions posed to us during these sessions and to share our collective community vision for Gateway," says Albrecht.

"Those attending, whether in Walworth, Kenosha, or Racine counties, have expressed support and understood what Gateway has accomplished for them and what is needed for Gateway to continue to meet their needs."

Albrecht urges anyone with questions about the plan to visit the Web site at www.gtc.edu/proposal or to call the college to speak with him directly at (262) 564-3610.

Gateway Technical College collaborates with communities in Kenosha, Racine and Walworth counties to ensure economic growth and viability by providing education, training, leadership and technological resources to meet the changing needs of students, employers and communities.

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