# Common Council Briefing

Tourism Industry Impact
March 17, 2015



# **AGENDA**

**TOURISM IMPACT** 



**MARKET CONSIDERATIONS** 

**ROOM TAX PRIMER** 

**WHAT'S NEXT** 

Q&A



# What Do You Know?

In 2013, what was the total spending impact of visitors to Dane County?

- A. \$490 Million dollars
- B. \$650 Million dollars
- C. \$1.3 Billion dollars
- D. \$1.8 Billion dollars



#### **ANSWER:**

\$1.8 BILLION
IN ECONOMIC IMPACT TO DANE CO.



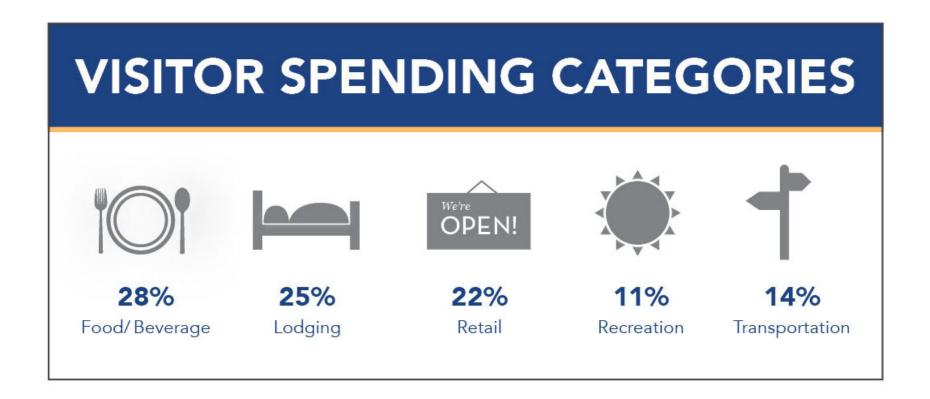
# What Do You Know?

## Where do Visitors Spend Their Money?

Match spending category in column A to correct percentage in column B

COLUMN A	COLUMN B	
Transportation	22%	
Food	11%	
Retail	25%	
Lodging	14%	MADISON
Recreation	28%	GOING > BEYOND > VISITTERM GREATER MADISON CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

#### **ANSWER:**





## What Do You Know?

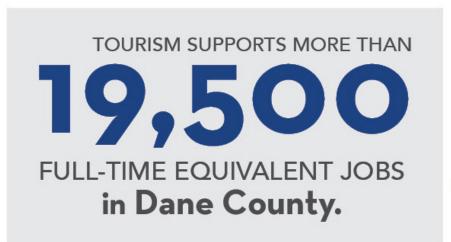
#### Fill in the blank:

Tourism supports more than \_\_\_\_\_ full time equivalent jobs in Dane County.

- A. 8,700
- B. 12,650
- C. 19,500
- D. 25,000



#### **ANSWER:**



That's **10%** of tourism-related jobs in the entire state!





Without the taxes generated by tourism, each household in Wisconsin would be responsible for paying approximately \$590 additional dollars each year.





### What Does the GMCVB Do?

Secure Conventions and events

Service existing events

Provide visitor information

Promote Madison



#### How do we measure our results?

- Contract Metrics
  - Value of contracted space
  - Earned media
  - Economic Impact
  - Qualified leads generated
- Internal Metrics
  - Number of conventions and events contracted
  - Room nights generated
  - Sales activities



# Why should you care?

# \$54.9 MILLION

Every dollar invested in our work generates \$13.60 in return



### Why Do Visitors Come to Madison?

- University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Monona Terrace and Alliant Energy Center meeting and events
- State capital/government
- Corporate business
- Outdoor recreation
- Lakes
- Medical/health centers
- Festivals and sports events



# How Does the GMCVB Take Advantage of the Drivers?

Strategic deployment of sales team

Three City Alliance Strategy

Leisure Marketing Focus



# Where Do Sports Fit In?

Madison's sports reputation

Recession proof market sector

Specialized expertise expected



# What's Up With The Competition?

- Who?
- How do we compare:
  - Venues?
  - Hotel Package?
  - Airlift?
  - Weather?
  - Resources?



# What's The Room Tax Story?

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## **Wisconsin Room Tax**

LOCAL TOURISM GROWTH MODEL funded by successful use of room tax

#### Spends \$\$ at local:

- attractions
- restaurants
- lodging
- retail
- gas stations
- drugstores
- and much more!

#### PAID OVERNIGHT GUEST

- Spends more \$\$ in local economy than other travelers
- Are non-residents (with no voice in local government)
- Pays room tax to local lodging property

**Attracts & generates** paid overnight stays

**Ongoing** Cycle

Room Tax \$\$

#### TOURISM ENTITY OR COMMISSION

- Oversees expenditure of the 70-100% of Room Tax on "tourism promotion and development" as defined in WI Statute 66.0615

70-100%

remaining

#### MUNICIPALITY

 Can retain up to 30% (for local tourism services - beyond what is covered by property taxes, for local economic development projects, or for any use the municipality chooses.)



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# How Does Room Tax Differ From Property Tax?

#### **Property Tax**

- Paid by <u>local residents</u> and businesses
- Regulated by <u>local</u> government
- Funds <u>services and programs</u>
   for local residents/businesses
- Benefits local residents/businesses
- Municipality determines uses

#### **Room Tax**

- Paid by <u>overnight guests</u> of local lodging properties
- Regulated by <u>state</u> government
- Funds <u>tourism marketing</u>, <u>tourism information and tourism</u> <u>development</u>
- Benefits overnight travelers; local businesses that receive revenue from tourists
- Local Convention & Visitors
   Bureau determines uses with
   oversight of Board

All uses must comply with state room tax statute

#### What's Next?

Product Development

Destination visioning

Our next conversation



# Thank you!



### Questions?

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