

Press Release

Vincent (Skip) Becker "Developer of the Year"

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On May 7, 2015 Vincent "Skip" Becker President/CEO of the La Paz Economic Development Corporation received the 2015 Economic Developer of the Year Small Community Award from the Arizona Association for Economic Development. Becker started his current position on February 19th 2013, since that time the La Paz EDC has been involved in projects totaling more than \$800 million dollars resulting in the possibility of more than 500 new jobs being created in La Paz County, AZ. Becker said "We have lost some of those projects and replaced them with new ones. Economic Development is a highly competitive business with other communities, counties and entities trying to attract or lure your clients from you. You keep your clients by making yourself available 24/7 and making them understand that they are vital to you, your organization and the communities you represent." Roberta Hoffman Chairperson of the La Paz EDC said "Skip works 70 to 80 hours a week, he has brought a level of professionalism to the area that we really needed, he has changed La Paz County, The Towns of Parker, Bouse, Salome, Quartzsite and Wenden forever." The La Paz EDC was formed in 2010 to develop economic wealth for the well-being of our inhabitants through sustainable improvements in our standard of living. Becker is a graduate of William Woods University, Fulton, MO. Skip and his wife Carol live in Lake Havasu City, Arizona, they have 3 sons.