# 2018 Rickenbacker Area Study

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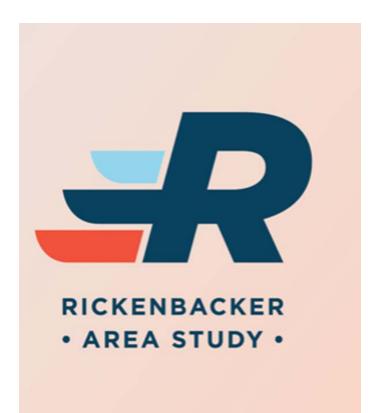


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## **Study Documentation Themes**

- Business attraction and retention
- Workforce mobility & safety
- Freight routing and access
- Resiliency & Technology
  Innovation
- Quality of life





- <u>Mixed-Use Development</u>
  - Add significant workforce housing
  - Add retail/restaurants to create a more quality tenant environment
  - Study hospitality needs
- **Diversification** 
  - Increase emphasis on attracting manufacturing
  - Find a niche in value-added manufacturing
  - Leverage Free Trade Zone (FTZ) benefits





- <u>Marketing Approach</u>
  - Consider options to refocus marketing structure and branding to reflect new growth directions



- Columbus Regional Airport Authority (CRAA) has rebranded Inland Port
- <u>Regional Partnerships</u>
  - Explore opportunities to increase collaboration and/or leverage funding (Transportation Improvement District, Regional Transportation Improvement Project, Special Improvement District, New Community Authority, accords, etc.)
  - Utilize sustainable funding solutions for infrastructure investment and operations



- <u>Aspirational</u>
  - Energy
    - Generation (e.g., solar field, roofs, etc.)
    - Shared electric equipment
    - Non-polluting, electric drayage
  - Technology
    - Hyperloop connecting Rickenbacker and John Glenn airports
    - Artificial intelligence deployment
    - Smart technologies deployment (e.g., drones)





- <u>Comprehensively Address Workforce Access</u>
  - Recognize that job sprawl impacts peer industrial areas around the region and country
  - Make workforce access our competitive advantage
  - Multi-faceted solutions:
    - Housing
    - Transit
    - Innovative mobility
  - Imagine...Rickenbacker as one of the most integrated workforce access environments in the nation, where transportation barriers are heavily minimized for the benefit of both companies and employees





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