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#### FOCUS AREAS

- Community Economic Development
- Economic Research & Data Analysis
- Arkansas Data Center
- Geographic Information Systems

#### **CENTER ACTIVITIES**

- Technical Assistance
- Economic Analysis
- Community Development & Planning
- Disaster Preparedness
- Applied Research
- Information Dissemination
- Spatial Analysis

#### CLIENTS

- State And Local Governments
- EDA Planning Districts
- Community Development Organizations
- Existing Businesses

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# University of Arkansas at Little Rock EDA University Center

The Arkansas Economic Development Institute is the University of Arkansas at Little Rock's EDA University Center. The Center's mission is to provide research, strategies, and technical assistance to state, community, and industry leaders to promote economic growth and enhance the quality of life in Arkansas.

### AEDI's focus areas include:

## **Community Economic Development**

Designed to assist communities of all sizes, this unit uses a grassroots approach to enhance the quality of place. This process helps communities address their weaknesses and utilize their strengths effectively. This unit also supports businesses and governments in preparation for natural disasters, which occur often in Arkansas.

## Economic Research and Data Analysis

This unit engages in objective economic research central to making informed decisions. Specializing in economic analysis and forecasting, it assists businesses and communities to understand and interpret economic indicators.

## Arkansas Data Center

As the official US Census State Data Center for Arkansas, this unit provides access and education on Census Bureau data and products as well as other statistical resources to a multitude of data users across the state. Equipped with subject matter experts, this unit also provides demographic analysis and support to various clients throughout the region.

# Geographic Information Systems (GIS)

The GIS unit provides advanced spatial analysis, identifying trends and patterns at various geographic data scales. This unit also provides interactive spatial applications, utilizing both primary and secondary data, in order to make complex datasets more accessible and understandable to the general populace.