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**Northwest Indiana Regional Development Authority:** Established to fund and develop transportation, shoreline and economic development projects in Northwest Indiana, the Northwest Indiana Regional Development Authority works with agencies and individuals to ensure these efforts consider environment and social equity as well.

Specific RDA projects identified by its strategic plan will cost an estimated \$1.1 billion, with significant returns expected from the projects. Two examples include the Marquette Greenway Plan for lakefront development that could potentially pay \$422 in personal income for each dollar spent, while a regional bus service would return \$14 for every dollar spent.

The RDA plans to accomplish its tasks by securing existing resources while preserving finances for the creation of private sector jobs. It also places an emphasis on accountability and transparency to help it gain, maintain and expand the support of local officials and the community.