This Week:
- **2016 - A Year in Review**

What a great year of accomplishments at DoIT. Not only has our new agency been formed and introduced, but tremendous progress has already been achieved.
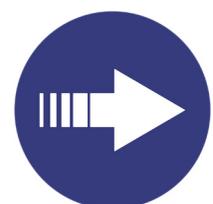
Here's a look back at just some of the successes over the past year:

✓ Created a unified technology entity, Department of Innovation & Technology (DoIT)
✓ Launched next generation web platform for the state, beginning with the new doit.illinois.gov site integrating social media, news and information and housing key updates on technology services, transformation and key strategy levers
✓ Launched an unprecedented ERP Go Live (SAP HANA Enterprise Cloud platform) in four pilot agencies
✓ Built a statewide data analytics practice and hired Illinois' first data officer, data scientist and data architect
✓ Introduced Going Mobile in Illinois, with over 25 mobile apps and mobile responsive agency sites already launched in less than six months
✓ Successfully implemented new enterprise corrections platform rolling out the Offender 360 platform
✓ Enhanced cybersecurity strategies and introduced a statewide employee training program
✓ Increased usage of cloud services while leveraging statewide data center(s)
✓ Signed a groundbreaking memorandum of understanding (MoU) with India's state of Telangana to collaborate on smart state best practices and international opportunities
✓ Worked with 10 other states and the National Association of Purchasing Officers (NASPO) on the Cloud Services RFP. There were 38 vendors selected as part of the effort, which will allow for preferred statewide pricing to be available for all government entities in Illinois
✓ Acknowledged by external community as the first state in the nation aspiring to be a "Smarter State"
✓ Created a "borderless culture" through working groups, councils, centers of excellence and advisory boards
✓ Secured a partnership between DoIT's Illinois Century Network (ICN) and the City of Decatur for the construction, management and maintenance of a fiber network
✓ Opened an Innovation Center at JRTC to provide work space for innovative and collaborative projects
✓ Recognized by the Digital States Survey for moving from the bottom fourth to the top third in the nation for technology effectiveness and utilization in government
✓ Established an approach for rapid progress toward shared enterprise applications for common capabilities across Illinois government entities
✓ Facilitated an enterprise memorandum of understanding (eMoU) among 13 state agencies for data sharing practices
✓ Introduced a transparent rate structure for products and services to all agencies
✓ Launched the Illinois Blockchain Initiative to capitalize on opportunities for both Illinois businesses and citizens

More information on DoIT's accomplishments this year can be found at DoIT in the News

Looking Ahead
While we have a lot of hard work still in front of us, much progress has already achieved at DoIT and excitedly, the possibilities are endless for 2017. These milestones would not have been possible without the unified efforts of our newly formed agency and the hard work of the entire DoIT team.

Happy New Year To All!
State of Illinois Offices will be closed on Monday, January 2nd in observance of the New Year. Best wishes for a prosperous New Year.