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## **Racine County Receives Another National GIS Mapping Award**

**Racine** – Racine County’s GIS mapping page – a robust site of valuable information for the public – has received more national recognition.

Tyson Fettes, Racine County’s Register of Deeds, announced the county’s GIS won the “Exemplary Systems in Government” award from the URISA, a national geospatial organization. The award is given for effective application of computer technology that can be measured in improved government services and increased benefits to citizens.

“This award describes exactly what we sought to achieve, without trying to win any awards,” Fettes said. “Our goal from the beginning was to integrate our land systems and make it easier for the public to find the information they needed on an easy to use platform.”

The county’s mapping page ([www.racinecounty.com/gis](http://www.racinecounty.com/gis)) offers a plethora of information used by residents, real estate agents, title companies, surveyors and anyone interested in land information in Racine County. The site connects different systems and data into an easy-to-use mapping platform, offering information on property taxes, foreclosures, recreation, medication drop boxes, lottery and gaming credits, county supervisor districts and much more.

Fettes highlighted a couple of new applications that are useful to the public. One allows residents to easily view comparable sales of properties, and another pulls various recorded documents – such as deeds, easements, and satisfactions of mortgages – to see what’s recorded on a parcel. Fettes said using technology has allowed the county to provide a tremendous amount of information to the public and has streamlined the Register of Deeds office. Two years ago, the county was recognized by ESRI for a “Special Achievement in GIS Award.”

“We are on the forefront nationally on our ability to assist the public with their information,” Fettes said.

For more information on the county GIS page please visit our website or call our office at 262-636-3709.

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