

QUARTERLY REPORT

July 1 – September 30, 2009

Dear Reader,

Thank you for your interest in the activities of Clearwater Economic Development Association. This report provides a synopsis on the projects and initiatives where CEDA has involvement. We applaud the stakeholders that provide the leadership behind these activities. Without the dedication of leaders, none of the projects would move forward. Should you have any questions, please contact CEDA. Ph: (208)746-0015.

GRANT AWARDS THIS QUARTER

Region II Public Transit Mobility Management **\$215,000**
 Idaho Transportation Department
 Project: Funding to Coordinate Public Transit in North Central Idaho.

Konkolville Water Company Facility Plan **\$8,450**
 Planning Grant
 Idaho Department of Environment Quality
 Project: Funding to complete current water study.

RECAPITALIZATION of CEDA Loan Funds

USDA Rural Development Application **\$300,000**
 Intermediary Relending Program
 USDA Rural Development
 Project: Recapitalization of CEDA's RLF program.



Photo: Presentation of the \$300,000 award by USDA Rural Development to the CEDA Business Development Council. **THANK YOU USDA Rural Development!** (L to R): John Lane, CEDA; Kellye Sharp, Idaho Dept. of Labor; Christine Frei, CEDA; Lee Gibbs, Zions Bank; Lorrie Askers, Sterling Savings Bank; Margaret Hair, USDA Rural Development; and John Currin, Lewiston City Council/Idaho Workforce Development Council.

Sterling Savings Bank **\$5,000**
 Community Reinvestment
 Project: Cash Match for RLF Program



Photo: Presentation of a \$5,000 check from Sterling Savings Bank. **THANK YOU Sterling Savings Bank!** (L to R): John Lane, CEDA; Christine Frei, CEDA; and Lorrie Asker, Sterling Savings Bank.

GRANT SUBMITTED (Status Pending)

Wells Fargo

Idaho Community Giving

\$ 5,000

Project: Funding requested to support the development of a region-wide system for accessing private foundation funding. CEDA will work with partners to determine what assets currently exist within the region for project development, grant writing, grant administration, and pass through services, select the best foundation grant search engine, and work with the region's economic development, community development, and social service organizations to develop a system for increasing project leverage through private foundation funding.

ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Clearwater Economic Development District's *Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy*

CEDA staff is working to complete the five-year revision of the region's economic development strategic plan. Using the on-line community survey completed this spring, existing regional plans, the 2008 Work Force Summit, and input from the strategies developed by the CEDA Board of Directors and Working Councils, the plan is being drafted at this time and will be available for public comment by October 31, 2009. CEDA is appreciative of the assistance being provided by Kathryn Tacke, Regional Economist with the Idaho Department of Labor, who is drafting the economic outlook section of the plan.

Grantwriting 101 Workshop & Community Project Development 101: CEDA staff has agreed to partner with the Lewis Clark State College Community Programs Department and LCSC Outreach Centers in Orofino and Grangeville to provide instruction for two classes in grant writing and community project development. Classes will be held in October and November. *Christine*

TeleMental Health Initiative: This project has been stalled until licensing was secured by St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center for software to operate the HUB equipment. The licensing has been purchased and installed. Currently, SJRMC is testing all equipment. Once all technical components of the system are tested, CEDA will be working with One Vision (the equipment contractor) and the stakeholders to do further testing and begin the process of incorporating the teleconferencing equipment into service delivery. The system will allow the hospitals to provide psychiatric services and training via teleconferencing. The network will also allow the hospital to provide more health services and in-house training through teleconference. CEDA has completed service delivery contracts with SJRMC and Syringa General Hospital. Other service delivery contracts are pending with Gritman Medical Center, St. Mary's Hospital, and Clearwater Valley Hospital. CEDA is also working to transfer equipment purchased with grant funds over to the hospitals. This initiative was funded through the State of Idaho, Department of Health and Welfare One-Time Development Grant Program. *Christine Frei*

North Central Idaho Mobility Management Program & the Idaho's Mobility and Access Pathways (IMAP):

By July 31st, CEDA staff had completed coordination of the IMAP program for the Idaho Transportation Department. CEDA has completed contract with ITD for a Mobility Manager to serve North Central Idaho. Deadline for submitting a response to the job announcement is September 25th. CEDA hopes to have a person hired for the position by October 15th. The Mobility Manager shall be responsible for promoting and coordinating public mobility systems and working with partners to implement the region's coordination plans for 2A,

2B, and 2C Local Mobility Management Networks (LMMNS).. Funding is secured for 24 months.
Rachel Stocking & Christine Frei

Economic Development Districts of Idaho – VISTA Volunteer: As part of a statewide project with EDDI and AmeriCorps Vista, CEDA hired Siris Silva of Pullman, Washington to work with some of the Horizon communities to develop priority projects and to work with CEDA staff on economic development initiatives. Siris has a Masters Degree in Business Administration and an undergraduate degree in Economics. Her prior work experience includes the Small Business Development Center in Spokane. Since August 14th, Siris has contacted key partners in the Horizon program and met with community members in Stites. She has also done research for the CEDS and CEDA's Private Foundation initiative. She will be with CEDA until August 2010.
Christine Frei

Collaborative of Economic Development Professionals: CEDA hosted a meeting of southeast Washington and north central Idaho economic development professionals. Guest speakers included: Mike Hall with First Step Internet on the North Central Idaho Broadband Multi-User Network, Danae Wilson with the Nez Perce Tribe on the Tribe's Clearwater Valley Broadband Initiative, and Steve Watson on the Lewis Clark Metropolitan Planning Organization interchange projects.

Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Appropriations: By September 30th, CEDA shall have closed out most, if not all, remaining all Lewis Clark Bicentennial Community Contracts. All CEDA contractual agreements with the US Department of Housing and Urban Development shall be completed soon after. *Jenni Schacher*

Telecommunication Initiatives: *Christine Frei*

- **Grangeville to Riggins Fiber Circuit:** CEDA worked with Frontier Communications on their NTIA/RUS Broadband Application to fund a fiber circuit between Grangeville and Riggins. Approximately 15 support letters were collected. One week prior to application submission, the Frontier Communication Executive Board decided to pull ALL developing applications citing the grant requirement and reporting requirements as the reason for ceasing the submission of the applications. Frontier Communications Local Manager Richard Jayo will be meeting with the North Central Idaho Telecom Consortium Work Group on September 17th to discuss Frontiers' intentions for future funding applications. The second round of Broadband funding is anticipated for November 2009. Should Frontier choose not to move forward, CEDA shall seek other partners for this initiative.
- **North Central Idaho Multi-User Wide Area Network:** First Step Internet submitted a \$3 million RUS/NTIA Broadband Application. CEDA worked with First Step on some of the data needed for the application and organized and secured over 35 support letters for the project. Grant award should be known by November 2009. *Christine Frei*
- **Idaho Regional Optical Network (IRON) General Associate Membership – Opportunity for CEDA Members:** CEDA has been offered membership in the Idaho Regional Optical Network. Membership would provide CEDA members access to the IRON system (high speed broadband capacity outside of the region) for an affordable price. CEDA has organized a meeting with some of the CEDA member IT specialist to consider the benefits of access to the IRON Network. The CEDA Board of Directors will be meeting with IRON's General Manager Victor Braud on September 17th to discuss the offer.

Self-Help Housing: CEDA was contacted by USDA Rural Development to determine CEDA’s interest might be in developing work homes through the “Self Help” Housing program. CEDA staff is gathering program information at this time. During CEDA’s strategic planning, CEDA staff was directed that housing issues should not be a priority. NO significant action will be taken without a review of this initiative by CEDA governance. *Rachel Stocking*

Regional GIS Service Center: CEDA is working with members and other partners to consider the needs for a regional GIS Service Center. CEDA is providing funding to help partners complete a needs assessment and develop a preliminary strategy for addressing the need. *Christine Frei*

Community Projects in Implementation

Project:	CEDA’s Involvement	Project Phase	Anticipated Date to begin construction	Anticipated Date for Completion	Responsible CEDA Staff
Cottonwood Community Center Renovation	Grant Admin	Bidding	Oct 09	March 2010	Jenni
Nezperce Library Community Center	Grant Admin	Construction	Aug 09	Nov 09	Jenni
Lewiston Nez Perce County Regional Airport Southpark	Grant Admin	Design	Pending – Unanticipated Environmental Mitigation Delaying the Project	Pending	Jenni
Pierce Water Upgrade	Grant Admin	Final	Construction Complete	Oct 09	Jenni
Riggins Wastewater Upgrade	Grant Admin	Design	Nov 09	May 2010	Jenni
Nezperce Infrastructure	Grant Admin	Construction	July 09	Nov 09	Rachel
Lapwai Valley Wastewater Treatment System	Grant Admin	Design	Pending	Pending – Construction Time table unknown	Jenni
Lewis Clark Bicentennial – Linking Key Sites Through Marketing	Project Oversight	Phase I – Complete Phase II- Being Implemented	In Process	Oct 09	Rachel
Port of Lewiston Dock Expansion	Grant Admin	Contracting	Pending – final securing of funds	Pending	Jenni

Community Projects in Development:

Project:	CEDA's Involvement:	Project Status:	Responsible CEDA Staff
Culdesac Fire Station/Community Center	Technical Assistance	Preliminary planning	Rachel
Rapid River Water & Sewer – Water Project	Technical Assistance	Preliminary planning	Rachel
Nez Perce County Fair Building – Energy Efficiency Project	Technical Assistance	Preliminary planning	Rachel
Whiskey Creek/Konkolville Water Co Water Project	Grant writing	Preliminary planning for Nov 09 ICDBG application.	Rachel
Orofino Senior Center	Technical Assistance	Preliminary planning	Rachel
Pierce Downtown Revitalization	Technical Assistance	Preliminary planning	Rachel
Winchester Fire District	Technical Assistance	Preliminary planning	Rachel
Big Canyon Fire Station Project	Grant writing	Preliminary planning for Nov 09 ICDBG application.	Rachel

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

- Loan Recapitalization:** On September 10th, CEDA will have signed a contract with USDA Rural Development that will provide \$300,000 in loan capital for the Small Business Loan Program. Sterling Savings Bank is providing \$5,000 match and additional banks are being solicited for the additional \$40,000 match needed. *John Lane*
- Wind Farm Manufacturing Opportunities:** NIMA completed Phase I project to determine opportunities for local manufacturers to provide product in the supply chain of large wind turbine manufacturing companies. The final report will be completed by the end of September. Plans for Phase II are underway. This project is being funded by the USDA RBEG program. *Christine Frei*
- NIMA Sustainability and Marketing:** CEDA staff has been active with the NIMA Finance Committee to develop short, mid, and long term plans for funding the NIMA organization. CEDA continues to provide administrative assistance to NIMA *Christine Frei*
- Build America Bond Programs:** CEDA worked with Zions Bank to distribute information about two (2) bond programs available through American Recovery Act funding. One program is for government facility financing and the other would assist private industry. *Christine Frei*

- Moscow Brownfields Initiative:** CEDA is providing assistance to the City of Moscow in the development of a Brownfield grant application to provide funding from potential Brownfields assessments that are needed in Moscow. CEDA is collecting support letters for the grant application. *Christine Frei*

Business Projects in Development:

Project:	CEDA's Involvement:	Project Status:	Responsible CEDA Staff
Palouse Lewis Clark Wine Alliance AVA & Weather Station Project	Technical Assistance	CEDA has transferred grant application information to Sage Community Resources who is developing a state-wide marketing plan EDA grant application. Sage plans to include the American Viticultural Area (AVA) development for the Clearwater/Snake Valley.	Christine
NIMA – ASSET Initiative	Technical Assistance	Preliminary Planning to work with NIMA and Oklahoma State University on helping manufacturers link to new product opportunities through the Department of Defense.	Christine

Business Projects in Implementation:

Project:	CEDA's Involvement:	Project Status:	Responsible CEDA Staff
Anderson Aeromotive – Idaho County Airport Facility	Project management	Project is on hold until more direction is received from private business entities involved in the project.	Christine
Foundry Feasibility Study	Project oversight	Contract completed. Study is in process.	John / Jenni
NIMA Marketing Plan	Grant Administration	Contracting for the Marketing Communication Plan is completed with CFNA, Inc. NIMA has completed an internal audit and will have an external audit completed by Sept. 30 th .	Christine / Jenni
Wind Energy Phase I	Project Management/ Grant Administration	Final Report Pending.	Christine / Jenni
International Trade Initiative for Five Area Manufacturers	Project oversight	Contract with Ross International being completed. Three of the five projects are complete. Funding is available for assistance to two more area manufacturers.	John

Small Business Finance Activity

	Activity During Previous 12 Months	Activity During Previous 36 Months
Projects Financed	7	23
Amount of CEDA Financing	\$754,295	\$1,561,673
Amount of Private Financing Leveraged	\$970,470	\$2,113,711
Jobs Created and Retained	42	87
<u>Project Distribution</u>		
Asotin County	0	2
Clearwater County	1	5
Idaho County	1	3
Latah County	2	6
Lewis County	2	4
Nez Perce County	1	3
Total Project Dist.	7	23

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Support Letters Provided:

- Nez Perce Tribe Broadband Grant Application
- First Step Internet Broadband Grant Application
- Lewis Clark MPO TIGER Application
- Port of Clarkston Industrial Park Feasibility Study Application

Meeting Attendance:

- Big Canyon Fire District Commissioner Meeting, Rachel
- Clearwater Basin Collaborative, Grangeville, Christine
- Clearwater RC&D, Christine
- Cottonwood City Council – Jenni & Rachel
- Ida-Lew Economic Development Council, John
- Konkolville Water Company Board Meeting, Rachel
- Latah County – Christine
- Lewiston Chamber of Commerce, Lewiston, Christine
- Lewiston City Council – Jenni & Christine
- Nez Perce County – Jenni & Christine
- Nez Perce Tribal Enterprises – Business Classes, John
- Nezperce City Council – Rachel and Jenni
- NIMA Board of Director Meetings, Lewiston, Christine & Jennifer
- Rapid River Water & Sewer Commission Meeting, Rachel
- Stites City Council – Siris & Christine
- Valley Vision Business Retention & Expansion Committee Meeting, Christine
- Walt Minnick Conference Forum on Broadband Initiatives, Christine

- Whitman County – Latah County Joint Meeting – Breakfast, Economic Development Panel, Christine

Conferences & Workshop Attendance:

- Northwest Community Development Institute, Boise, Jenni & Rachel
- ICDBG Application Workshop, Orofino, Christine & Rachel

CEDA MEMBERS

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| Clearwater County | Pierce, City of |
| Idaho County | Riggins, City of |
| Latah County | Stites, City of |
| Lewis County | Weippe, City of |
| Nez Perce County | Winchester, City of |
| Bovill, City of | Nez Perce Tribe |
| Cottonwood, City of | Kendrick Juliaetta Recreation |
| Craigmont, City of | Port of Lewiston |
| Culdesac, City of | Lewis Clark State College |
| Deary, City of | University of Idaho |
| Elk River, City of | Clearwater Resource Conservation & Dev |
| Grangeville, City of | Latah Economic Development Council |
| Kamiah, City of | North Central Idaho Travel Assn. |
| Kendrick, City of | Avista Corporation |
| Lapwai, City of | Idaho Department of Labor |
| Lewiston, City of | US Bank |
| Moscow, City of | Zions Bank |
| Nezperce, City of | Northwest Intermountain Manufacturers |
| Orofino, City of | Valley Transit |
| Peck, City of | Hingston Roach Group |

Please Consider CEDA “Private Industry “Members When Needing Product or Services!

LEADERSHIP

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| LeAnn Trautman | CEDA Chair
City Clerk, City of Winchester |
| Rob Lohrmeyer | CEDA Vice-Chair
Dean of Professional Technical Programs, Lewis Clark State College |
| Rick Laam | CEDA Past Chair
City Administrator, City of Orofino |

STAFF

Christine Frei, Director
Jenni Schacher, Grant Administrator
John Lane, Business Programs and Finance Director
Rachel Stocking, Economic Development Specialist
Jennifer Norberg, Office Administrator
Angie Elliott, Administrative Associate, Business Loan Department
Siris Silva, Economic Development Assistant, AmeriCorps Vista Member

Staffing Changes

- *Effective August 14th, Siris Silva joined the CEDA staff. Welcome Silva!*
- *Effective August 31st, Tim Rubio resigned as CEDA's Economic Development Specialist. CEDA appreciates Tim's 8 years of service to CEDA and wishes him all the best in his new ventures!*
- *Congratulations to Jenni Schacher for completing three (3) years of training at the Northwest Community Development Institute.*