

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Activity Report: Month Ending February 2024

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REVOLVING LOAN FUND (EDRLF)

- Total Balance to Loan **\$153,767** Accounts Receivable: **\$439,032** Amount Leveraged: **\$3.356 Million**

Economic Development Information:

Business Development/Retention and Expansion Activities

- SBA Designated Langlade County as a HubZone; Presentation set for March 21, 2024 from 10 am to Noon at NTC Antigo Campus
- Toured Downtown Building and Renovation Project
- Submitted at Community Development Investment Grant for Project in the Town of Neva
- Four (4) New Business Inquires/Mtgs
- Six (6) Existing Business Mtgs for expansion or succession planning
- Continue to review empty buildings/land with owners, real estate professionals, and potential uses in Langlade County
- Marketed empty buildings on Locate In Wisconsin and potential developers and interested buyers

Workforce Development

- Dream Up Childcare Taskforce meetings were held and Community Round Table Event is set for April 11, 2024 from 6 to 7:30 pm at NTC Antigo Campus
- Updates to Job Postings on EDC website
- Continuing to work with Inspire Grow North, Regional Economic Development on Talent Cultivation

Entrepreneurship

- The Spring ETP Class orientation was held on February 20th and the class started on Feb 27, 2024.
- Continue planning for Entrepreneurial Hub: Fall Event in planning state for one day with different tracks for Entrepreneurs

Broadband

- Broadband meeting held to discuss maps and what's missing
- Commission has opened the docket for the BEAD Challenge Process

Meetings/Trainings attended

1. ITBEC Marketing Group
2. Department of Children Finance
3. Cirrinity
4. Dream Up/Child Care Task Force
5. Grow North
6. Placer AI
7. Legacy Solar
8. Social Siren Marketing
9. Workforce Development Board
10. EDA Grant
11. Ice Age Trail Lunch & Learn
12. Bangwango
13. Building a Healthier Langlade County
14. HUBZone
15. Town of Summit
16. UW Extension Grant Writing Webinar
17. Antigo School District Facilities

