October 2021 Newsletter



South Central

Dakota Regional Council

Regional Housing Study Kickoff Meetings!

SCDRC and Maxfield Research, Inc. are conducting a Housing Assessment of our region. The public is invited to attend one of our two kickoff meetings.

JOIN US NOVEMBER 3 TO DISCUSS HOUSING IN YOUR AREA!

RSVPs are appreciated but not required to director@scdrc.org Oakes—11:00 a.m. at Growing Small Towns Jamestown—5:00 p.m. at James River Senior Center, Use West Door

SCDRC's First Microloan - The Cage!

SCDRC Loan Funds Committee and the Executive Board approved our first Microloan to The Cage, LLC, who will provide a quality indoor batting environment for all ages!

Defederalization of EDA Revolving loan funds now allow us to be a lead lender on Microloans!

The Cage will host two hitting lanes equipped with HitTrax Technology. HitTrax allows users the ability to see the results and metrics of their swings. Hitters will see distance, swing speed, ball location, launch angle, as well as other metrics while hitting at their favorite major league or college ballpark. The Cage will also host indoor baseball, slow pitch softball, and fastpitch softball leagues.

Justin Connell hopes to open The Cage to the public in January, 2022.

Picture to the right: Traci Redlin, Executive Director of the South Central Dakota Regional Council presents Justin Connell, owner of The Cage with his microloan check.



Planning Services Available

SCDRC can provide planning services including but not limited to:

Comprehensive Planning - Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plans - City and Township Ordinances FEMA Grant Writing - Emergency Operations Plans

Contact us with any questions or for a cost estimate.









Governor Doug Burgum spoke at the Main Street Summit held in Fargo on October 12, 2021.

FEMA Funding Assistance

SCDRC can seek FEMA funding for cities, counties and park districts. Examples of what we have sought funding for previously include:

- •Emergency Generators
- •Multi-Hazard Mitigation Planning
- •Flood Buyouts
- •Emergency Sirens
- •Disaster Funding





Paul Gunderson, Executive Board Member; Maria Effertz-Hanson, Director of Community Services; Traci Redlin, Executive Director of the SCDRC and Becky Thatcher-Keller, BTK Consulting, LLC pause for a photo at the Main Street Summit in Fargo.

2021 Ag Energy Luncheon—Jamestown, ND



Mike Keller, Vice President of Archer Daniels Midland (ADM) spoke about the new soybean crushing facility that is being built in the Spiritwood Energy Park at the Ag Energy Luncheon in Jamestown on October 19, 2021. ADM plans to be operational for the 2023 harvest season.

The ADM site will create approximately 70 permanent jobs. The crushing facility will be able to crush up to 150,000 bushels of soybeans per day. Soybean meal and vegetable oil for food, feed and industrial and fuel customers will be produced at the soybean facility. Oil will be shipped to a refinery in Dickinson where it will be made into renewable diesel.

Bison World!

SCDRC is in the process with JSDC and EDA to apply for a grant for \$1.5 to \$2.0 Million. This grant could be used for infrastructure or the amphitheater. This EDA funding would be through their CARES funding and is a competitive grant program to repair tourism in the district.

South Central Dakota Regional Council Loan Programs

We administer three economic development loan programs to assist in gap financing to start and expand businesses in the nine counties of Region VI. The application process includes submitting a loan application, cover letter, business plan and financials to the Regional Council for review by the staff and presentation to the Regional Council's Loan Funds Committee.

Eligible applicants are within the nine counties of Barnes, Dickey, Foster, Griggs, LaMoure, Logan, McIntosh, Stutsman and Wells.

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