

HEALTHY COMMUNITY PLAN

Community/Team Name: PIP, Partners in Planning

Geographic Area: City of Sebeka, Nimrod and surrounding area

HCP Round/Years: Round 12, February 2003 – February 2005

Project Focus: To plan for the future with an emphasis on economic development and preservation of the natural environment.

Vision/Purpose Statement:

To see that action is taken on the goals identified by the community at the visioning session, for vision without action will create only cynicism!

Priorities:

- To support a gathering place for the youth/community and help with programs
- To spur economic development and livable wage job creation
- To bring the community into the school and take students out into the community in order to foster improved relations and understanding between the school and the community as a whole

Follow Up Grants and Loans:

- \$11,700 – University of MN grant in November 2004 for developing and promoting Tim's Trail (2004)
- \$425 – Todd/Wadena Electric Operation Round-Up Grant
- \$1,400 – West Central Telephone Association
- Start-up loan for J's Family Restaurant (2004)

Key Accomplishments:

- Hosted community visioning session with over 120 citizens in attendance.
- Surveyed over 350 citizens and got their input on what they would like to see happen in the future.
- Recruited, formed and trained task forces totaling 20 people to work on our priority areas.
- Promoting the school/community relationship by giving the old gym/stage a "facelift".
- Developed a hiking/biking trail along the river called Tim's Trail.
- Held Grandparents Day at the school (Fall 2003)
- Improved local park (Summer 2005)
- Red Eye River Days.
- Planned and Developed Tim's trail along the Red Eye River.
- New water tower erected (2006)
- Self Guided Tour completed for Tim's Trail (2006)
- Start up of a Junior Master Gardeners Program (2006)
- Eat with your child/grandchild day at school
- \$3,550 raised for skate park as of January 2008
- Hosted eCommerce for Small Business (March 2008)

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