

HEALTHY COMMUNITY PLAN

Community/Team Name: Partners 56472

Geographic Area: Cities of Pequot Lakes, Breezy Point, Jenkins and Sibley Township

HCP Round/Years: Round 4, March 1999 – March 2001

Project Focus: Inter-Community Development Plan

Vision/Purpose Statement:

Partners 56472 envisions a community where:

- People believe in a strong sense of community
- People can become involved as stakeholders in their future
- The environment is preserved for future generations
- The economy provides adequate opportunities for all
- All generations of residents have personal education growth potential

Priorities:

- Create livable wage jobs
- Create opportunities and activities for youth
- Develop more affordable housing
- Support intergovernmental cooperation, including with planning and zoning
- Create more parks and recreation

Follow Up Grants and Loans:

- McKnight Capital grant for the Family Center (\$100,000)
- Eclipse Teen Center / Youth as Resources- I.F. (\$35,000) 2000
- Youth Entrepreneurship grant for teen center café I.F. (\$7,500) 2000
- Eclipse Teen Center Community Development – I.F. (\$10,000) 2002
- E-Commerce Training - I.F. (\$4,000)
- Bootstraps Pilot Project I.F. (\$5,000 planning, \$25,000 Implementation) 2002 - 2003
- YAR Ongoing - I.F. (\$7,500) 2003
- Early Childhood Coalition - I.F. (\$15,000) 2003
- Sibley Lake participated in HLRP training in 1999 and has earned \$5,000 HLRP Implementation funds

Key Accomplishments:

- Held “the Gathering” in fall of 1999 (over 500 attended) and 2000
- Bought and remodeled building for family center (September 2000)
- Opened Teen Center in Family Center (October 2000)
- Opened youth-run concessions in Eclipse (December 2000)
- Meet the Candidate dinner (October 2000) Semi-Annual thereafter
- E-Commerce training for 18 business people and students (Spring 2000)
- Forming a Parks and Recreation Board
- Public Officials dinner (2001) Annual Thereafter
- Youth Improv Troupe started (2001)
- Orderly Annexation of all of Sibley Township into Pequot Lakes (2002)
- Start up of a Bootstraps program (2002-3)
- Started Early Childhood Coalition (2003)
- Pequot Lakes HRA are building 8-units of senior housing townhomes (2004)

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