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Federal and State Investment in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program

Maine Municipal Association, along with other Northeastern U.S. States (Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island and Vermont) are in the process of completing the 2017 Federal Issues Paper. This year's paper focuses on three investment issues; 1) Federal funding for infrastructure¹, 2) Federal funding for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program; and 3) Preservation of tax exempt status for municipal bonds.

The goal of the Federal Issues Paper (FIP) is to provide the congressional delegation of the Northeastern U.S. states with examples of how important and valuable these federal investments are to our communities. For this reason, MMA is seeking the communities' help in providing information, such as data and examples of how municipalities across the state have used or could use federal assistance to address municipal infrastructure needs and have utilized or would like to utilize CDBG funds.

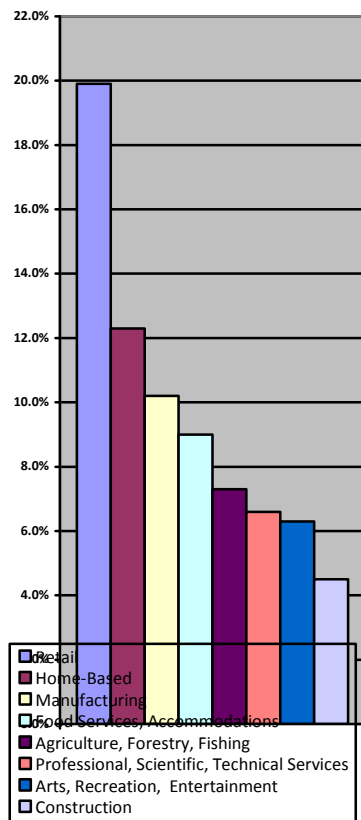
MMA is interested in obtaining this type of information as soon as possible so that it may be included in the FIP. Please submit articles to MMA either by e-mail to kdufour@memun.org or fax 624-0129. The FIP is scheduled to be printed on February 24, 2017.

At the state level, a bill sponsored by Rep. John Madigan of Rumford, LD 165 would provide an appropriation of \$3,000,000 from the State's General Fund in FY 2018 to provide municipalities with a one-time match to the Federal CDBG Program. The match would be distributed as a grant to local units of government for community projects such as infrastructure, housing, downtown revitalization, public facilities and economic development projects. The status of this bill will be updated in the upcoming newsletters.

Small Business Development Centers

Small businesses in Maine make up over 96% of businesses and are responsible for employing over 57% of the private workforce. These entrepreneurs and small business owners turn to the Maine Small Business Development Center (SBDC) each year to help with business start-ups or managing the growth of existing businesses.

The recently released 2016 SBDC Annual Report indicates that 14 certified business advisors met with approximately 1,600 clients to help start 120 businesses, create and save 1,006 jobs, and generate \$47.1 million in capital. The SBDC advisors help build and strengthen small businesses through professional business advisory, training and educational resources. The following chart depicts the industries seeking counseling.



The report also provided a breakdown of client composition in Maine as follows:

- 47.1% women
- 4.0% veterans
- 6.9% minorities

Approximately 47% of businesses seeking counseling were start-ups while the remaining 53% were counseled on growing existing business.

The Maine SBDC host organizations include the Androscoggin Valley Council of Governments (AVCOG), Coastal Enterprise, Inc. (CEI), Northern Maine Development Center (NMDC), and the University of Southern Maine (USM).

On May 13, 2016, the Maine Small Business Development Center released this statement:

The Maine Small Business Development Centers (Maine SBDC), a state-wide program that helps entrepreneurs start and grow their businesses, recognized business advisor Joshua Nadeau who received his Core Competencies Professional Certification from the New England Professional Development (NEPD) group on Wednesday, May 11, 2016.

Nadeau is a center director and certified business advisor in Caribou and has been with the Maine SBDC at the Northern Maine Development Commission for nearly a year. He provides no-cost, confidential business advising to small businesses and entrepreneurs in Aroostook County.

NEPD is a professional development collaboration of the Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island Small Business Development Center (SBDC) programs. NEPD provides a comprehensive, core knowledge training program that business

advisors must complete to receive certification. Although most advisors

For Every Dollar Invested in the Maine SBDC, \$2.82 was returned in tax revenue.

come to the SBDC with solid business experience and advanced degrees, this

professional development is the key to enhancing the value and quality of the services delivered to clients and stakeholders. The training required for this certification is comprised of four elements - participation in specified online technical content, a facilitated online discussion, a webinar, and, finally, an in-person intensive group session. To maintain certification, the advisor must complete a minimum of 24 hours of professional development each year.

Josh Nadeau, SBDC Business Counselor at NMDC has been providing assistance to businesses in Aroostook County interested in submitting a Community



Development Block Grant (CDBG) application for economic development and/or micro enterprise projects. The CDBG program requirement for businesses applying for economic development or micro enterprise funds are that they must have a business plan not older than 18 months and must have met with a SBDC business counselor in the three months prior to submitting an application. NMDC is a member of MCDA.

CONGRATULATIONS! TERRY ANN HOLDEN, 2016 VISIONARY AWARD RECIPIENT



Terry Ann Holden, Development Program Manager at the Department of Economic and Community Development Office of Community Development was presented with the Maine Development Foundation's Downtown Visionary Award. Presenting the award was Jon Edgerton, Vice President of Wright-Pierce and Senior Advisor on Maine's Downtown Center Advisory Council. Both Jon and Terry Ann serve on the Maine Downtown Center's Advisory Council and are members of the Maine Community Development Association.

Terry Ann, who is Co-Chair of the Maine Downtown Center's Advisory Council, was sponsored by Senior Advisor Jayne Palmer for her

dedication to redevelopment of downtowns. Colleagues have referred to her as a 'remarkable asset', 'rock of support', and 'deserves accolades' for her work in redeveloping downtowns with private/public partnerships.

Terry Ann contributes the success of downtown revitalization to the Four-Point Approach, a program designed to work together to build a sustainable and complete community revitalization. The Four-Points are: (1) organization; (2) Promotion; (3) Design; and (4) Business Retention and Attraction.

There are currently 10 communities that have achieved the "Main Street Maine" designation. They are Augusta, Bath, Belfast, Biddeford, Brunswick, Gardiner, Rockland, Saco, Skowhegan, and Waterville. Between 2002 and 2015, these 10 communities have created 1,541 part-time and full-time jobs, created 361 new businesses, have in excess of 284,000 volunteer hours and an investment of over \$248,000,000.

For more information on the Maine Downtown Center Program, contact Anne Ball at 512-4906 or visit their website at www.mdf.org/mdc.

"Maine's Labor Shortage: New Mainers and Diversity"

The Maine Development Foundation and the Maine State Chamber of Commerce released the Maine's Labor Shortage: New Mainers and Diversity report in September, 2016. The report expresses the need to find people beyond our borders to meet the workforce challenges in Maine. Maine is known as the oldest and whitest in the nation. This presents a major workforce challenge as 'baby boomers' are nearing retirement age. Baby boomers are those individuals born between 1946 and 1964.

Economists note that retaining our young people will not be enough to fill the vacancies left from baby boomers who are retiring. Migration is the key to Maine's demographic future and is vital to Maine's economy. From 2006 to 2010, there were 2,711 new immigrant business owners in Maine generating a total of \$120 million in net income. This amount equates to 3.3% of the total net business income in the state.

"It's not that the new immigrants have fixed everything in the economy, but there are more businesses downtown, more lights on at night, more people in the grocery store, and more kids in school than there would be without them."

Charles Rudelitch, Executive Director
Sunrise County Economic Council

Throughout the state, business owners have repeatedly stated that finding workers is a real challenge. To offset this workforce challenge, businesses have turned to more automation and more efficient work practices. These changes require a higher level of skill and education. Businesses have turned to immigrants who bring these needed skills, knowledge, education and talent to address the workforce problem. To view the entire report, visit www.mdf.org.

Ironically, President Trump's Executive Order banning Syrian refugees, suspending all refugee admissions for the next 120 days, and blocking citizens from seven Muslim countries for 90 days is estimated to affect an estimated 20,000 refugees.

Measures of Growth, 2016

The Maine Development Foundation and Maine Economic Growth Council released its 22nd report of growth in Maine. In the report are performance indicators that influence Maine's economy, environmental and community, which include gross domestic product, per capita income, value-added per worker, employment and poverty. A brief summary of each performance indicator follows:

- **Gross Domestic Product:** While the U.S. economy grew by 9.4% from 2009 to 2014, the New England region grew by only 6.0% and the State of Maine's gross domestic product declined by 1.2%. In 2014, the industries that made up the majority of growth in the state included real estate, government, health care and social assistance, manufacturing, and retail trade.
- **Per Capita Income:** Maine's Per Capita Income trails that of the U.S. and New England states. In Maine, a large percentage of its total personal income is derived from transfer payments (Social Security, unemployment, welfare, and VA benefits). In 2015, Maine ranked 36 in personal income.
- **Value-Added Per Worker:** This is determined by the quality of our workforce, costs of doing business, and the infrastructure that supports our economy. In 2014, Maine's output per worker ranked last among the 50 states and the District of Columbia.
- **Employment:** Maine added jobs in 2010 while the state's workforce continued to decline putting pressure on the labor market. If this trend continues, the gross domestic product and per capita income growth in Maine will continue to grow at a much slower pace than that of the U.S. and New England states.
- **Poverty:** The report describes the poverty rate for 2016 to have declined in seven counties (Cumberland, Sagadahoc, Lincoln, Waldo, Hancock, Androscoggin, and Kennebec); remained steady in five counties (York, Knox, Franklin, Somerset, and Washington); and increased in four counties (Penobscot, Oxford, Piscataquis, and Aroostook).



Please visit the www.mdf.org website for a complete look at the Measures of Growth, 2016.

November 8 Referendum Results				
Referendum	Yes	No	Blank	Total
Question 1: Do you want to allow the possession and use of marijuana under state law by persons who are at least 21 years of age, and allow the cultivation, manufacture, distribution, testing, and sale of marijuana and marijuana products subject to state regulations, taxation, and local ordinance?	2,772	990	103	3,865
Question 2: Do you want to add a 3% tax on individual Maine taxable income above \$200,000 to create a state fund that would provide direct support for student learning in Kindergarten through 12 Grade public education?	2,844	883	138	3,865
Question 3: Do you want to require background checks prior to the sale or transfer of firearms between individuals not licensed as firearms dealers with failure to do so punishable by law and with some exceptions for family members, hunting, self-defense, lawful competitors, and shooting range activity?	3,178	620	67	3,865
Question 4: Do you want to raise the minimum hourly wage of \$7.50 to \$9.00 in 2017, with annual \$1.00 increases up to \$12.00 in 2020 and annual cost-of-living increases thereafter and do you want to raise the direct wage for service workers who receive tips from half the minimum wage to \$5.00 in 2017 with annual \$1.00 increases until it reaches the adjusted minimum wage?	2,985	769	111	3,865
Question 5: Do you want to allow voters to rank their choices of candidates in elections for U.S. Senate, Congress, Governor, State Senate, and State Representative and to have ballots counted at the state level in multiple rounds in which last place candidates are eliminated until a candidate wins by majority?	2,487	1,154	224	3,865
Question 6: Do you favor a \$100,000,000 bond issue for construction, reconstruction and rehabilitation of highways and bridges and for facilities, equipment and property acquisition related to ports, airports, marine transportation, freight and passenger railroads, aviation, transit, and bicycle and pedestrian trails, to be used to match an estimated \$137,000,000 in federal and other funds?	2,958	640	267	3,865

Jobs & Classified

Town Manager-Town of New Gloucester

Send résumé and cover letter by February 8, 2017 to Director of Personnel Services, Maine Municipal Association, 60 Community Drive, Augusta, ME 04330 or e-mail to: PersonnelServices@memun.org or fax to 624-0118.

Community, Business and Economic Development Director -Town of Richmond

This is a part-time position that includes work in planning, coordination of community and economic development activities, and grant writing. Submit résumé and cover letter to Janet Smith, Town Manager by Wednesday, February 15, 2017. Mailing Address is 26 Gardiner Street, Richmond, ME 04357; e-mail townmanager@richmondmaine.com. For additional information, contact Janet Smith at (207) 737-4305 ext. 203

Planning Director -City of Portsmouth, NH

Interested parties should submit résumé to Human Resources Department, 1 Junkins Avenue, Portsmouth, NH 03801.

Town Manager -Town of Glenburn

Send résumé and cover letter by February 15, 2017 to Director of Personnel Services, Maine Municipal Association, 60 Community Drive, Augusta, ME 04330 or e-mail to: PersonnelServices@memun.org or fax to 624-0118.

Town Manager -Town of Dexter

Send résumé and cover letter by February 24, 2017 to Town of Dexter, Attn: Town Manager Search, 23 Main Street, Dexter, ME 04930.

Director, Office of Economic Opportunity - City of Portland

The City of Portland is seeking an individual to develop a new Office of Economic Opportunity created to convene and leverage public and private partners to assure optimal communication and collaboration so that immigrants, people of color, and other underserved populations have access to jobs and related support services as well as economic opportunities. Submit résumé and cover letter to Gina Tapp, Director of Human Resources, City of Portland, 389 Congress Street, Room 115, Portland, ME 04101; e-mail jobs@portlandmaine.gov; or fax (207) 874-8937 by February 10, 2017.

Town Manager -Town of Camden

Send résumé and cover letter by February 21, 2017 to Director of Personnel Services, Maine Municipal Association, 60 Community Drive, Augusta, ME 04330 or e-mail to: PersonnelServices@memun.org or fax to 624-0118.

MCDA - Annual Meeting Held at the Season's Grille and Sports Lounge in Bangor – October 6, 2016

Suzie Paradis of the Town of Madawaska and Anne Krieg of the Town of Bridgton were appointed to a 2-year term as Members at Large. Gail Chase of Kennebec Valley Council of Governments serves as President of the organization; Stephen Dyer of Ransom Environmental Consulting is the Vice President, Mathew Eddy of Kennebunk is Treasurer and Joella R. Theriault of Northern Maine Development Commission serves as Secretary.

The 2016 Annual Meeting Guest Speaker was Tanya Emery, Director of Community and Economic Development for the City of Bangor. Ms. Emery's presentation was on the success of Bangor's Waterfront Park and Concert Series. She described the planning process and policy behind the development of the park. The area was originally a timber and shipping industry site, which was the core of commerce in the community. Over the years, the waterfront became vacant and had serious environmental problems. The Waterfront Redevelopment project took more than 20 years and over \$15,000,000 to reclaim the waterfront and clean it up. In 2002, the first major event, the American Folk Festival, came to the waterfront. This was the catalyst for future of concerts. In 2010, seven concerts were held with ticket sales exceeding expectations. The City is currently negotiating and finalizing a 10-year contract for more concerts.

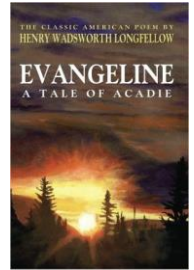
The construction of the Cross Insurance Center, construction of Hollywood Slots Casino, and the waterfront transformation has been a huge boost to the city and the regional economy. Tax Increment Financing, Community Development Block Grants, and other private and public financing have been utilized. For more information on the waterfront, visit www.bangormaine.gov/city projects.

Upcoming Events

Date	Description	Location
February 7, 2017	Maine Association of Planners Community Institute Housing for All	Governor Hill Mansion, Augusta
February 9, 2017	MCDA General Membership Meeting	Conference Call
February 10, 2017	Rural Maine's Next Economy	Cross Insurance Center, Bangor

February 1 - 28, 2017: Longfellow Days Brunswick

This is a month-long celebration honoring Henry W. Longfellow. A wide range of activities will take place including community poetry, lectures, tours, dining and film events, and more.



February 18, 2017: Great Bridgton Lakes Region Winter Carnival

A day filled with family activities; dogsled and skijoring races, snowmobile parade, bonfire, horse drawn sled rides and much more.

February 4 - 12, 2017: Camden Winterfest 2017 Camden

The theme for the 2017 Camden Winterfest is Mardi Gras. This is a week-long celebration of winter with outdoor and indoor activities that include ice carving and snow sculpting leading to the U.S. National Toboggan Championships and celebratory Mardi Gras dance.



March 4 and 5, 2017 Can-Am Crown Sled Dog Races Fort Kent

This year marks the 25th Annual Can-Am Crown Sled Dog Races. The 2-day event will include a 30-mile; 100-mile; and 250-mile race sled dog race; outdoor activities, music, food, antique snowmobile parade, snowshoe challenge, and much more.



March 12, 2017

Bath Antiques Show

March 25 and 26, 2017 37th Annual Northern Maine Agri-Business Trade Fair

Sponsored by the Fort Fairfield Chamber of Commerce

Location: The Forum in Presque Isle

In a time of economic turmoil, festivals can help boost local and regional economies. These events draw crowds from all over the state as well as other states. Local restaurants, service stations, retail stores, grocery stores are all impacted by the number of tourist visiting the area. Plan on attending any of these events for a great time.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Community Connect Grant Program-Due March 13, 2017

This program is designed to provide financial assistance to provide services at the Broadband Grant Speed in rural, economically-challenged communities where broadband service does not currently exist.

Local Food Promotion Program-Due March 27, 2017

The LFPP offers grant funds with a 25% match to increase domestic consumption of and access to locally and regionally produced agricultural products and to develop new market opportunities for farm and ranch operations serving local markets.

Farmers Market Promotion Program-Due March 27, 2017

The goals of the FMPP grants are to increase domestic consumption of and access to locally and regionally produced agricultural products and to develop new market opportunities for farm and ranch operations serving local markets.

Environmental Workforce Development & Job Training Cooperative Agreements-Due February 24, 2017

Funds availability under this funding opportunity is to deliver environmental workforce development and job training programs that recruit, train, and place local, unemployed and under-employed residents with the skills needed to secure full time employment in the environmental field.

National Indoor Environments Program: Reducing Public Exposure to Indoor Pollutants-Due February 17, 2017

These funds are for demonstration, training, outreach and/or education projects that seek to reduce exposure to indoor air contaminants. Projects must have a national-scale impact and must yield measurable outcomes.

Clif Bar Family Foundation

General operating support grants of up to \$7,000 will be awarded along with funding for specific projects that align with one or more of the foundation's focus areas:

promoting Earth's beauty and bounty; creating a robust, healthy food system; increasing opportunities for outdoor activity; reducing environmental health hazards; and building stronger communities. Deadline: February 1, 2017. [Guidelines and application process](#)

Davis Family Foundation

The Davis Family Foundation provides grants primarily to Maine-based educational, medical and cultural/arts charitable organizations. Deadline: February 10, 2017. [Guidelines and application process](#)

Libra Foundation

Areas of giving include arts, culture & humanities, education, environment, health, human services, justice, public/society benefit and religion. Deadline: February 15, 2017. [Guidelines and application process](#)

Maine Community Foundation: Community Building Grant

The Community Building Grant Program seeks to support organizations and programs that recognize and build on a community's strengths and assets. Deadline: February 15, 2017. [Guidelines and application process](#)

Maine Community Foundation: Hospice Fund

The purpose of the fund is to support hospice services in southern Maine, in particular by funding programs that support volunteer and bereavement services in Cumberland and York Counties. The advisory committee will give preference to innovative projects that focus on increasing the utilization of end of life services and/or increasing the quality of end-of-life services. Deadline: February 15, 2017. [Guidelines and application process](#)

Roy A. Hunt Foundation

Giving to improve the quality of life through grants for education, the arts and cultural programs, social services, the environment, health services, community development, and youth violence prevention. Deadline for Letter of Submission: February 28, 2017. [Guidelines and application process](#)

NEWS FROM AROUND THE STATE

(Madawaska) – The Town of Madawaska was notified on January 17, 2017 that it had achieved its “Business Friendly Community Program Certification. Commissioner George Gervais notified the Town of its achievement and DECD officials will be traveling to Madawaska to present the community with the certification as well as signs to be erected at the entrance of the community. This brings the total Business Friendly Communities to 36 throughout the state.

(Bath) – The City of Bath is requesting proposals from qualified firms or individuals to purchase and develop a vacant downtown property located at 26 Summer Street in Bath’s Historic Downtown. The site consists of .58 acres and is zoned “Downtown Commercial” (C-1) and permits a wide variety of uses with space and bulk constraints. Information on the RFP scope and proposal guidelines may be obtained by contacting Scott LaFlamme, Director of Economic Development, City of Bath, 55 Front Street, Bath, ME 04530, by calling (207) 443-8372 or by e-mailing at slaflamme@cityofbath.com. Proposals must be received by Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at 12:00 p.m.

(Bath) – Bath Housing Authority was awarded a \$214,679 grant from U.S. Housing and Urban Development’s ROSS-SC grant program. The Resident Opportunities & Self-Sufficiency – Service Coordinator (ROSS-SC) grant will be used to support a Resident Services Coordinator to connect Bath Housing tenants with services and benefits, such as community health programs, home health services, transportation, education, and other concerns related to housing.

(Bridgton) – Upgrades and expansion of the wastewater treatment facilities is currently underway. Brent Bridges of Woodard and Curran is working on options and cost estimates to be considered by town officials. The proposed expansion would increase flow by an additional 95,000 gallons per day to 126,000, increasing the potential number of users from 102 to over 400. New connections are also planned to include both residential and commercial properties.

In other news, 2018 marks the 250th celebration of the settlement of Bridgton. The planning process for the celebration has begun.

(Caribou) – Caribou City Manager, Austin Bleess, announced his departure for a similar position in Texas. Police Chief Michael Gahagan, who has been Caribou’s top law enforcement administrator for 13 years and an officer since 1973, will also serve as interim City Manager until a permanent replacement can be found.

(Penquis Community Action Program) – 2017 marks Penquis’ 50th Anniversary of empowering individuals, informing leaders, and inspiring communities. PCAP covers Penobscot, Piscataquis, and Knox Counties and assisted approximately 24,000 individuals each year with helping in meeting the basic needs of low-income individuals such as housing and heating assistance. They also offer education through the Head Start/Early Head Start Program, and provides economic opportunities for residents, such as first-time homebuyer education, matched savings programs, and small business counseling.

(Ellsworth) – Oriole Way GP, LLC received permission from the City of Ellsworth’s Code Enforcement Officer to build a planned workforce housing project consisting of 50 units. In addition, Oriole Way received a financial incentive from the Maine State Housing Authority (MSHA) in the form of a federal tax credit. The \$763,790 tax credits awarded is the second highest amount awarded by MSHA.



Business Insider Breakfast

***Developing New and Innovative
Technologies in Maine?***

***Find out how you can receive grants
and loans for your business!***

***Shane Beckim
Maine Technology Institute***

***February 15, 2017
7:30 am - 9:00 am
The Senator Inn & Spa***

ABOUT MCDA

MCDA's Purpose

TO PROVIDE FORUMS TO INCREASE AWARENESS AND FOSTER COMMUNICATION RELATING TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ISSUES AND CONCERNS, AND TO PROVIDE EDUCATION AND TRAINING THROUGH WORKSHOPS.

MCDA Meetings

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION TAKES PLACE AT THE ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE MAINE MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION. FOUR (4) REGULAR MEETINGS FOR THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP AND THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ARE HELD ANNUALLY THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF MAINE. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE CALLED BY THE PRESIDENT OR MAJORITY OF OFFICERS ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS.

MCDA Newsletters

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTERS HIGHLIGHTING COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ARTICLES OF SPECIAL INTEREST THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF MAINE ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP.

Benefits to Becoming a Member...

MCDA Funding Directory

Training and Workshops

Legislative Advocacy

Affiliation with Other Agencies and Organizations

Links to Funding and Business Agencies

MCDA's ability to network with multiple partners

Who's Invited to Join???

ANY PERSON, MUNICIPALITY, OR FIRM EMPLOYED BY OR INTERESTED IN ECONOMIC AND/OR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

THE COMPOSITION OF MCDA'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND CURRENT MEMBERSHIP OFFERS NEW MEMBERS AN EXTENSIVE KNOWLEDGE BASE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND AVAILABLE FINANCIAL RESOURCES. THE TENURE AND EXPERIENCE OF THIS ASSOCIATION CAN PROVIDE NEW MEMBERS WITH A MULTIPLE RESOURCE BASE ON A VARIETY OF PROPOSED PROJECTS IN YOUR COMMUNITY. I AM/AM NOT INTERESTED IN SERVING ON ONE OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES:

- ✓ ADVOCACY
- ✓ COMMUNICATIONS
- ✓ FINANCE
- ✓ PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
- ✓ MEMBERSHIP
- ✓ OFFICER/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

DID YOU KNOW!!!



MCDA would like to congratulate Orman Whitcomb, Area Director, for USDA Rural Development in Lewiston, on his recent retirement. Orman is well-known to our organization as he was a member for many years and served as MCDA President from 1992-1993. Prior to his career with USDA, Orman served as the Program Director at the Office of Community Development. His involvement with the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and his affiliation with MCDA was invaluable.

MCDA would like to congratulate Jon Edgerton, Senior Vice President of Infrastructure and member of MCDA for their recent recognition - **Wright-Pierce Receives National Recognition from PSMJ, Inc. for Sustained Business Excellence**

Wright-Pierce earned a platinum level "Circle of Excellence" award from PSMJ Resources, Inc., the premier management consulting firm for the architecture and engineering industries. The recognition highlights Wright-Pierce's outstanding achievement in the architecture and engineering industry. The platinum level represents firms that have achieved the Circle of Excellence in four of the past 5 years. The award winners are ranked on 13 performance metrics related to how their firms manage their business in terms of financial, productivity, business development and staff criteria.



John Braccio, PE (right), Wright-Pierce President and CEO, receiving **Platinum Circle of Excellence Award** from Frank Stasiowski, FAIA, Founder and CEO, PSMJ, Inc.

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2017 MCDA MEETING CALENDAR

January 2017						
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General Membership Meetings



Annual Meeting

