

- 1) Community Economic Development Corporations (SDC/BDI/Wasaw/Booth Bay)
  - a. Ensure the stability of our local Ec devs
    - i. Work with our CEO's to determine the severity of the damage being done because of the pandemic
    - ii. Ensure our Ec devs have access to the grant and loans they need to weather this storm.
  - b. Identify opportunities to upgrade/maximize efficiency of current Ec Dev businesses
    - i. Identify outdated equipment that needs replacing
    - ii. Identify opportunities to renovate while down
    - iii. Identify opportunities to add to existing services
  - c. Create a plan of action to "hit the ground running" when the pandemic clears
    - i. Engage a consultant to sit down with all the Ec Devs and come up with a community specific plan on how to move forward
    - ii. Work with a consultant to take stock of what our Ec Devs offer
    - iii. With a database of services/equipment compiled we can look for opportunities to fund a JV between communities
- 2) Temporarily enhance supports for PLEDSCO region businesses
  - a. Temporarily enhance the Business Incentive Program
    - i. Increase maximum grant from \$10,000 - \$25,000
    - ii. Reset the 5-year grace period in between successful applications. This allows new businesses to access help.
    - iii. Work with Beaver River to extend loan repayment periods from 2 years to 4 years. Our grant can be used to pay for the first 2 years so the applicant doesn't have to pay until year 3.
  - b. Temporarily enhance the Primary Producers Incentive Program
    - i. Reset the 5-year grace period in between successful applications. This allows our most successful producers who have used up their \$10,000 recently to begin applying again and this may lead to expanded operations for fisherman and wild rice harvesters.
- 3) Elders Legacy Fund
  - a. Work with leadership to fully utilize this fund to help our elders in this time of need
  - b. Care packages/Heating/Etc can all be discussed
  - c. Explore the feasibility of topping up the fund multiple times this year
- 4) Continue support for PLEDSCO initiatives
  - a. Determine realistic timeline for completion of the proposed new PLEDSCO home office building in Beauval
  - b. Continue support of the establishment of a Grocery Co-op in Ile a la crosse