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INTRODUCTION

Coordinated by the Idaho Rural Partnership, the Idaho Community Review program includes up to three phases. This report summarizes the activities completed and conclusions reached during Phase II of the McCammon Community Review. Phase II features brainstorming, prioritizing, and project development activities regarding the initial community goals and desired changes identified in Phase I.

Summary of Phase I

Phase I of the McCammon Community Review began in May 2018 with the completion of a community survey. A four-member visiting team then conducted a series of community listening sessions in McCammon from June 12-14, 2018. The Phase I report was completed and presented in McCammon in August 2018. A copy of the Phase I report is available here: http://www.irp.idaho.gov/Documents%20and%20Settings/14/Site%20Documents/McCammon_phaseIreport_8_22.pdf.

The results of the survey and the listening sessions were used to develop the following list of potential focus or topic areas to be explored in Phase II.

- Increase law enforcement presence and improve fire and EMS services
- Improve conditions for walking and biking, traffic calming
- Appropriately-scaled economic development
- Property maintenance, clean-up, code enforcement
- Organizing for business development and downtown revitalization
- Community facilities (e.g. multipurpose community center)
- Long-range visioning and comprehensive planning
- Arts, historic, and recreation resources
- Civic life and community involvement
- Seniors and youth

Identification of Focus Areas for Phase II

Following a verbal presentation of the Phase I report by Visiting Team members in McCammon



on August 11, 2018, the home and visiting team leaders consolidated and narrowed the focus areas down to: (1) Economic Development, (2) Community Services, (3) Community Places, Spaces, and Events, (4) Community Enhancement, as summarized by the table on the following page.

Focus Areas for Phase II of McCammon Community Review

1. Economic Development

- a) Gallery
- b) Clean up and re-development of former Flying J property
- c) Create business committee/council/community improvement association – need help with how to form that.
- d) Community banking

2. Community Services

- a) Fire building/services/truck
- b) Better communications about what is going on in the community
 - i. More than in the utility bill
 - ii. New Newsletter
 - iii. Not everyone uses internet
- c) Increase law enforcement presence

3. Community Places, Spaces, and Events

Refers to social unity, bringing people together, civic life – the social aspects of the community.

- a) Improve conditions for walking and biking
- b) Community or family resource center
- c) Use existing buildings for gatherings and classes
 - i. Costs for city and library spaces
 - ii. City council establish rules about using public buildings
 - iii. Deposit instead of rental fee?
 - iv. Need to inventory existing available spaces and what are the barriers to using them now
 - v. The city hall is an asset and available space for events
- d) Ski hill is an asset
- e) Turkey Gobble expand?

4. Community Enhancement

Refers to the physical features, function, and appearance of the community.

- a) Clean up, fix up, rehab, biking/walking
- b) Road conditions, sidewalks, bike lanes
- c) Code compliance

RESULTS OF PHASE II

Key Participants

McCammon residents who participated as members of the Home Team are identified in the front of this report. Home and Visiting Team members who served as focus area leaders are identified below.

Focus Area	Home Team Leaders	Visiting Team Leaders	
Community Places, Spaces, & Events	Ashley McQuivey and Margie King	Kurt Hibbert and Sarah Toevs	
Community Services	Dale Kinlock and Rich Pierson	Jon Barrett and Shawn Cafferty	
Economic Development	Aaron Hunsaker and Heidi Belnap	Jerry Miller and Krystal Harmon	
Community Enhancement	Karlene Hall and Sherry Bordeaux	Lori Porreca and Chris Peirsol	

In addition to the individuals above, Lorie Higgins, University of Idaho Extension, played an important leadership role as a Visiting Team Coordinator and Vickie Winkel, Idaho Rural Partnership, provided logistical and administrative support.

Name and contact information for all Visiting Team members are found in Appendix C.

Documentation of In-kind Value

While the in-kind value of each phase of the community review process varies, it is always substantial. The value of Phase II is comparable to the cost of hiring 6-12 professionals in land use planning, transportation, civil engineering, economic development, arts and other cultural resources, communication, grant funding and other fields of expertise for the two-day visit. It also includes the value of pre-review planning, travel, lodging, report writing, and post-review follow-up. Nearly all these costs are generously donated to the community by various government agencies, nonprofit organizations and are supplemented with funding provided by many of the organizations and agencies identified at the beginning of this report.

The total in-kind value of Phase II of the McCammon Community Review is \$21,921.15. The documentation of this value is found in Appendix A. Contact the Idaho Rural Partnership with questions about this value. In some cases, the in-kind value can count as local match by some funding programs. Likewise, the findings of the review help validate the need for external investment and support.

Summary of Phase II Activities

Unless otherwise noted, all Phase II activities took place at the Harkness Hotel October 23-24, 2018. A complete schedule for Phase II is found in Appendix B.

Phase II activities began with McCammon residents and leaders meeting on Thursday, October 18 to discuss and complete Worksheet A. Worksheet A (sample found in Appendix D) asked each person to identify up to three possible projects they personally consider a high priority and/or something they would work to achieve. Participants were not limited to the ideas identified for each focus area during Phase I. Worksheet A was completed by 10 McCammon residents.

The October 23-24 visit by the visiting team began with home team leaders taking the visiting team on a combination bus and walking tour of McCammon and surrounding area the morning of October 23. Following the tour, the focus areas identified through Phase I and the Phase II schedule were summarized for Home and Visiting Team members during a working lunch. After lunch, Home and Visiting Team participants assigned to each focus area met separately to review the results of



Worksheet A and brainstorm additional possible projects for each focus area.

The Home Team used Worksheet B (found in Appendix D) to list and clarify all potential projects identified for each focus area. Projects ideas identified by community residents during Phase II are summarize by focus area below.

Economic Development

- Create new community entrance sign, possible at both ends of town.
- Support the creation of at least one new business in the downtown area. A bank, coffee shop, and grocery store were all identified as desirable businesses that would bring people downtown and reduce the need to drive to Pocatello.
- Form a regional economic development partnership with other Marsh Valley communities.
- Initiate a downtown revitalization effort., to include, for example, improving store fronts along Center Street, wall murals, and planters.
- Use signage and other marketing strategies to divert more traffic into town.
- Because the area's population is aging, consider attracting senior-oriented businesses and services.
- Identify and reinforce McCammon's community brand.
- New, updated zoning and annexation policies
- Evaluate parking requirements for downtown businesses
- Incentivize appropriate types of development to bring more people, financial capacity, events, and community pride
- Increase housing choices
- Redevelopment/re-use of old Flying J property
- Create chamber of commerce or similar organization to support business development
- Develop community improvement association or community foundation with a broad mission that includes many aspects of community and economic development.
- Update the City's Comprehensive Plan

Community Services

- New fire station, fire department, improved fire and EMS service, new fire truck*
- Increase number of volunteer firefighters
- Increase law enforcement presence
- Develop Marsh Valley Emergency Preparedness Plan
- Complete upgrades to water system (e.g. replace old water mains)
- Complete upgrades to sewer system (new winter storage lagoons, update lift stations, address inflow and infiltration by replacing old sewer lines)
- Increased flow of information between Bannock County Sheriff's office and community.
- Combine McCammon with other fire districts to create one South County District.
- Continue street re-surfacing efforts (i.e. don't rely on chip sealing only)

Community Places, Spaces, & Events

- New community center to serve youth and seniors and provide opportunities for recreation*
- New opportunities or place(s) for community gatherings and events
- Lighted sign providing information about community events
- Improve communication between city, community organizations, and residents (e.g. develop community calendar) to increase volunteerism in the community and engage newcomers.
- Skateboard park
- Construct new bleachers at the rodeo grounds
- Develop historic walking, biking, and driving tours of McCammon and surrounding area, with related maps
- More things for teens to do
- Cultivate McCammon's identity as a community with the best drinking water. Re-install water fountains along Center Street; enter McCammon's water in statewide competition
- Develop a farmer's market

Community Enhancement

- Develop community center (see also Community Places, Spaces, & Events focus area)
- Improvements to entrances to McCammon, including improved signs
- Improve overall attractiveness of community; encourage clean-up of both private and public properties; increase enforcement of related ordinances. Create opportunities for neighbors to support each other with clean-up and maintenance projects.
- Remove or fix-up old buildings in town
- Improve storefronts on Center Street with features like murals and planters
- Improve/redevelop the old Flying J building and site (see also Economic Development focus area)
- Develop walking and bike trails; improve sidewalks especially on Center Street from 5th to 6th Streets and from 9th to 11th Streets.
- Develop a farmer's market
- Open a coffee shop with wi-fi internet
- Develop and use multi-functional communication tools to increase volunteerism in the community and engage new comers.
- Get the whole community working together to make these improvements

Recurring Projects Across Multiple Focus Areas

The visiting team notes that that two or more focus areas identified the following potential projects:

- Develop a community center
- Improving streets and conditions for walking and biking
- Promote community clean-up
- Renovate existing buildings

McCammon residents were invited to

Developing a Community Vision

participate in a town hall meeting on Tuesday night, October 23 to learn about and respond to the possible projects within each focus area and to work in small groups of 5-6 people to develop a community vision.

A community vision is a written statement that describes a future in which the community is successful, as defined its members. It is a shared image of what residents value most about the community and what they want it to become.



About 20 residents participated in this effort. The visioning exercise asked participants to imagine McCammon being presented with "a best small town to live in" award 20 years from now. Participants used the following words and phrases to describe qualities that would make McCammon deserving of such an award.

- Hospitality
- Friendly, familyfriendly
- Small town feel
- Organization and collaboration
- Goods and services
- Attractive
- Fun
- Home
- Sense of community

- Safe
- Caring
- Thriving
- Diverse
- Desirable
- Supportive
- Welcoming
- Forward-thinking
- Idaho's most picturesque main street

- Best small town rodeo
- Best tasting water
- Most beautiful town
- Proactively plans for the future
- Awesome hotel
- Like being in a Hallmark movie

Home team member LeAnn Brown used the words and phrases above to develop the community vision statement on the following page. This statement was shared with Home and Visiting Team members on Wednesday, October 24.

A Vision for McCammon

Our heart and home.

Our connection to each other and to the land are our greatest assets. We are known for our majestic mountains, our pure crystal spring water and our glorious sunsets casting hues of pink across night skies...these are but a few of our natural treasures here.

We take great pride in maintaining our wonderful trails, parks and canyons for all to enjoy and whether it is the wildflowers blanketing the spring landscape or the autumn leaves giving show at harvest time, every season brings its own bounty to explore.

We cherish the wisdom of our elders, while embracing the innovation of our youth with programs, and events designed to highlight and memorialize the contribution and achievements of all.

We encourage creativity and ingenuity in our marketplace and are proud to provide our residents and guests with goods and services of the highest quality. From the hospitality of our historic hotel to the artisanal, home grown fare at our farmers' markets to the warm atmosphere of our café community...our lifestyle is based on fellowship, well-being and a sense of community pride. We are bridge makers, reaching forward to our future while still honoring our past.

We are compassionate, caring people, standing strong in our connection to our fellow human beings and to the land we hold so dear. With grateful hearts, we honor and care for our natural resources and the beauty and abundance in this valley we call home.

When faced with choosing from among multiple paths or options, the visiting team encourages the community to return to the vision above and ask yourselves which path or option will move you closer to realizing this vision.

Identification of High Priority Projects

The focus areas for Phase II of the McCammon Community Review were identified using the results of Phase I, as described in the Introduction section of this report. These focus areas are:

- Economic Development
- Community Services
- Community Places, Spaces, & Events
- Community Enhancement

McCammon home team members used "sticky dots" to identify the highest priority projects from the brainstormed lists of possible projects found on pages 4-5. The projects receiving the most "votes" are summarized by focus area below.

Economic Development

Highest Priority Projects	Notes
Review and update planning and zoning policies	 Establish a committee that would report to city council Could include update of city's comprehensive plan
2. Community beautification, including entryways	 Improve downtown lighting & sidewalks Improve/beautify town entrances. Seek community input on sign design. Increase code enforcement to reduce and prevent nuisance properties.
3. Support new business development	 Residents identified the following types of businesses frequently: bank, grocery store, pharmacy, car wash, professional services.
4. Redevelop the Flying J property	 Collaborate with property owner Identify potential deed restricted uses Environmental/brownfields clearance needed List property on Gem State Prospector website (ID. Dept. of Commerce) Identify needed infrastructure improvements Develop master re-development plan Consider creating an urban renewal district or commerce authority to finance infrastructure.
5. Form Marsh Valley Regional Economic Development Partnership	Major partners include: area communities and counties, SICOG, Bannock Development, ID. Dept. of Commerce, SE Idaho High Country Tourism

Community Services

Highest Priority Projects	Notes
1. Develop new public safety center	Inclusive of fire, EMS, law enforcement
	Incorporate vehicle bays and training center
	Visible, accessible location
	Will help achieve project #2, below.
2. Increase fire and EMS, and law enforcement	Includes increasing law enforcement
personnel/volunteers	presence.
	Create volunteer opportunities for teens and
	young adults who can receive mentoring.
3. Improve water and sewer systems	Increase water supply
	New winter storage lagoon
	Upgrade list station(s)

Community Places, Spaces, & Events

Highest Priority Projects	Notes
Develop a community center	 Incorporate some or all of the following: Internet café/coffee shop, senior center, health clinic, community meeting space, food bank, rec. center/gym, classroom(s), farmers market, youth center. Locate in or near downtown area. Should be in keeping with McCammon's historic small town character. Seen as a long-term goal requiring multiple incremental accomplishments. Development of an on-line virtual community center and finding a new home for the existing food bank were identified as important steps in the near term.
2. Create and improve walking and biking paths	See Community Enhancement focus area
3. Create new opportunities to increase community connections	 For example, events that bring people together in celebration and relationship-building Includes improving/replacing welcome sign to allow information about current community events and activities.

Community Enhancement

Highest Priority Projects	Notes
Develop community center	 See "Community Places, Spaces, and Events"
	focus area.
2. Create and improve walking and biking paths	Could include development of historical
	walking tour, signage, pathway lighting, etc.
	Need to identify locations where pedestrian
	and biking safety is an issue.

The preceding projects for each focus area are also described on the mind map found in Appendix F.

Summary of Action Plans for Each Focus Area

Once priority projects for each of the four focus were identified, home team and visiting team members worked together to develop one or more related action plans. Time limitations did not allow the completion of action plans for all high priority projects. Action plans for high priority projects not developed during Phase II could be developed as part of Phase III of the community review process.

Using worksheet C as a template, each action plan describes the project's overall goal or objective, action steps, responsible persons or partners, needed resources, benchmarks, and associated completion dates. A narrative summary of completed action plans for each focus area is found below. These summaries are followed by all completed worksheet C's.

Note: during this portion of the Phase II process, the Home and Visiting Teams reached an agreement that the Community Places, Spaces, and Events focus area and the Community Enhancement focus areas would be combined due to some overlap in the issues and projects identified by these two areas.

Economic Development

Community entryway signage
Create and place a new
entryway/welcome sign at the
junction of U.S. Highway 30 and
Interstate 15 Business Route. Move
the nearby rodeo sign to the
southside of town.

Community Services

New public safety center

Develop multipurpose public safety center to increase fire protection, law enforcement, and EMT/Ambulance services.



Community Places, Spaces, and Events/Community Enhancement

Relocate and expand food bank

Establish a new location for Idaho Food Bank (IFB) that is welcoming and inclusive.

Rationale: Current home in LDS church was intended to be temporary and presents a barrier to some members of the community.

Virtual community center

Establish a local on-line resource to provide information about available services, community events, and other announcements of interest to the community.

Develop physical community center Establish a Community Center in 2-4 years

Community or Neighborhood Clean-Up Increase community pride and overall appearance.

Action Plans for Highest Priority Projects

This section of the report contains detailed work plans for six of the highest priority projects identified by the Home Team. Worksheet C was used to develop these plans. Members of the Visiting Team are available to support the Home Team's efforts to develop action plans for some of the other high priority projects identified during Phase II.

Project: Community Entryway Signage

Focus Area: Economic Development

<u>Project description</u>: Create and place a new entryway/welcome sign at the junction of U.S. Highway 30 and Interstate 15 Business Route. Move the nearby rodeo sign to the southside of town.

Home Team Champion(s): Aaron Hunsaker

ACTION STEPS What you need to do to reach the goal	PERSONS OR PARTNERS RESPONSIBLE Who is responsible for each action step?	INTERNAL AND/OR EXTERNAL RESOURCES NEEDED Resources needed to complete action steps	PROGRESS INDICATED = BENCHMARK How you know that you have made progress on each action step	COMPLETION DATE When you expect to complete each action step
Talk to ITD to see if a sign could be placed in the state right of way and discover any regulations and design standards.	Aaron Hunsaker	Phone/Email	Written correspondence from ITD	End of November/Early December
If ITD says no talk to nearby property owners to see if they would give an easement for a sign	Aaron Hunsaker	Phone/Email	Written correspondence	End of December
Form a community task force to design and fundraise for the sign,	Aaron Hunsaker / Mayor Hall	2-3 volunteers	A visual design concept	End of March

Project: Community Entryway Signage (continued)

Fundraising	Aaron Hunsaker/ Mayor Hall	USDA Rural Dev, ID Com Gem Grant, Rocky Mtn Power, Local Go Fund Me, Simplot, Pocatello based businesses	Written funding commitments – goal \$6K	End of June
Construction & installation of the sign.	Mayor Hall / city crew	Paid contractor, city staff, donated labor and equipment	Sign installed	End of August
Relocation of existing rodeo sign to south of town	Mayor Hall / city crew	City Crew	Sign relocated	End of August

Project: New Public Safety Center

Focus Area(s): Community Services

<u>Project description</u>: Develop multi-purpose public safety center to increase fire protection, law enforcement, and EMT/Ambulance services. Consider incorporating a new city hall into the project and convert the existing city hall building into the community center described under Community Spaces, Places, and Events/Community Enhancement focus areas

Home Team Champion(s): Doug Armstrong, Mike Dahlquist, John Everson, Rich Pierson, Dale Kinlock

ACTION STEPS What you need to do to reach the goal	PERSONS OR PARTNERS RESPONSIBLE Who is responsible for each action step	INTERNAL AND/OR EXTERNAL RESOURCES NEEDED Resources needed to complete action steps	PROGRESS INDICATED = BENCHMARK How you know that you have made progress on each action step	COMPLETION DATE When you expect to complete each action step
Research best practices from surrounding successful communities, e.g., Downer		No special resources Time/communication	Obtained valuable lessons learned and best practices from research	1-2 weeks
2. Assess needs of building Clarify scope	City representatives Fire department Sheriff's department	Standards re: space needed to accommodate the proposed functions (within and outside structure)	Establish plan for what needs building will satisfy	1-2 weeks
Establish location criteria t evaluate candidate sites.	o City representatives Fire department Sheriff's department		Location criteria established.	
Determine best suitable location	Fire department Sheriff department City representatives	Adequate land Proper access and visibility	Location selected	1-2 weeks

Project: New Public Safety Center (continued)

5. Create preliminary design of building	Architect retained by City	Design film Info on space required for anticipated vehicles and uses.	Preliminary designs created and approved	1-3 months
6. Determine most appropriate financing route	City council Community vote	USDA-CP SEICOG Commerce Bond Grant funds	Financing obtained	2-6 months
6. Ground breaking	Construction company City planning and zoning rep	Construction company Contract plans and specs	Construction begins	3-6 months

Project: Food Bank

Focus Area: Community Spaces, Places, and Events

Project description: Establish a new location for Idaho Food Bank (IFB) that is welcoming and inclusive.

Rationale: Current home in LDS church was intended to be temporary and presents a barrier to some members of the community.

Home Team Champion(s): None identified

ACTION STEPS	PERSONS OR PARTNERS	EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL RESOURCES NEEDED	PROGRESS INDICATORS	COMPLETION DATE
Conversation with City Council about need for space	IFB volunteers: Linda, Linda, Pete, Joan	Time of the volunteers beyond managing food bank. Need information from Idaho Food Bank personnel in Pocatello and Boise to identify available resources, standards for food bank space.	Notes of conversation with Idaho Food Bank personnel in Pocatello and Boise. Proposal for City Council: include information about # of people served, gaps in existing service, and plan of action	Start now with conversation with Council within 60 days.
2. Develop plan of action or business plan for Food Bank to use space in City Offices (depot).	IFB volunteers: Linda, Linda, Pete, Joan; and state and local IFB personnel	Time of the volunteers. Examples from other communities	Business plan that identifies needs: space, equipment, storage, etc.	Submit to City Council within 90 days.
3. Provide recipients with nutrition and cooking information.	IFB volunteers: Linda, Linda, Pete, Joan; and state and local IFB personnel Possible partnership with high school	Resources from Idaho Food Bank. Newsletter they distribute, nutrition classes they sponsor, etc.	Educational resources available to individuals using Food Bank.	60 days

Project: Virtual Community Center

Focus Area(s): Community Places, Spaces, and Events

<u>Project description:</u> Establish a local on-line resource to provide information about available services, community events, and other announcements of interest to the community.

Home Team Champion(s)

LeAnn and Sherri

ACTION STEPS What you need to do to reach the goal	PERSONS OR PARTNERS RESPONSIBLE Who is responsible for each action step	INTERNAL AND/OR EXTERNAL RESOURCES NEEDED Resources needed to complete action steps	PROGRESS INDICATED = BENCHMARK How you know that you have made progress on each action step	COMPLETION DATE When you expect to complete each action step
Define the target audience (youth, seniors, families, home school students, etc.)	LeAnn and Sherri	Potential Resources to Create Site: High School Idaho State University Boy Scouts	Find a need from each targeted group that the site could serve.	Define the target audience and inventory of resources and services- 6 months
Inventory of resources and services		Funds to create and maintain site	Identify the demographics of the community.	

Project: Virtual Community Center (continued)

3. Build off of the	Local library, Senior	Meet with a resource that	Website Launch- 6
McCammon website- link	Center in Lava Hot Springs	can create the site.	months
to current site	to promote the site and		
	events on it.	Find someone or a group	
		to maintain the site	
		temporarily.	

Project: Develop Physical Community Center

Focus Area(s): Community Places, Spaces, and Events & Community Enhancement

Project description: Establish a Community Center in 2-4 years

Home Team Champion(s): Sherry, Reese, Ashley, Pete, Leann, Karlene

ACTION STEPS What you need to do to reach the goal	PERSONS OR PARTNERS RESPONSIBLE Who is responsible for each action step	INTERNAL AND/OR EXTERNAL RESOURCES NEEDED Resources needed to complete action steps	PROGRESS INDICATED = BENCHMARK How you know that you have made progress on each action step	COMPLETION DATE When you expect to complete each action step
1. Form Committee of 5-6 people	Sherri, Reese, Pete, Ashley, Leann, Pam	Support from Coaches	Committee is formed and actively working on initial tasks	60 days
2. Define target audience and do a community needs and assets assessment and – identify all the needs and current resources that could be used in a community center (classes, services, teachers, etc.)	Committee	SICOG Sign Me Up Card List Former Residents	Needs and Asset Assessment Complete	60 days

3.	Complete research to identify and learn from other communities that have established a community center	Committee	SICOG	Other community center Projects Identified and contacted	60 days
4.	Engage more people in the community to build support and do local fundraising and in-kind support (Develop strategies to build volunteer base)	Committee and volunteers	SICOG – Krystal Harmon Department of Commerce – Jerry Miller Sign Me Up Card list Former Residents Bengal Solutions Corporate donors Regional health care providers ISU MPA program Facebook Page Website Library	Committee has engaged "X" number of volunteers Committee has done "X" number of fundraising events Committee has developed strategies to build the volunteer base	60 days and ongoing
5.	Identify Partners	Committee and volunteers	Sign Me Up Card list Library County Commissioner	20 letters of supports	6 months
6.	Gain City Council Support	Committee		City Council has provided official support	6 months
7.	Identify a location. This step could include considering incorporating a new city hall in the proposed public safety center project and converting the existing city hall building to a community center.			Several locations have been identified for consideration	6 months to 1 year

Project: Community Clean-up

Focus Area(s): Community Places, Spaces, and Events & Community Enhancement

<u>Project description</u>: Increase community pride and overall appearance.

Home Team Champion(s): Sherri, Reese, Pete, Leann, Karlene, Nichole, Pam

ACTION STEPS What you need to do to reach the goal	PERSONS OR PARTNERS RESPONSIBLE Who is responsible for each action step	RESOURCES NEEDED INTERNAL AND/OR EXTERNAL Resources needed to complete action steps	PROGRESS INDICATED = BENCHMARK How you know that you have made progress on each action step	COMPLETION DATE When you expect to complete each action step
Formalize beautification workgroup	Sherri, Reese, Pete, Leann, Aaron, Karlene, Nichole, Pam	City Council support	Workgroup is formed and actively working on initial tasks	Now
Recruit volunteers and equipment	Workgroup	Heavy equipment donations, e.g., Bowman, Inc. Connect with PSI Volunteers in the community Sign Me Up cards Churches, scouts, schools, businesses, and other organizations in the community	Workgroup has recruited "X" number of volunteers Workgroup has recruited "X" number of individuals with heavy equipment	60 days and ongoing

Project: Community Clean-up (continued)

3.	Celebrate successful clean-ups, property owners and volunteers. Create a Wall of Fame and in the December newsletter.	Workgroup and Sherri		Community clean-ups highlighted in the newsletter and Wall of Fame created	Now and ongoing
4.	Plan for fall and spring clean-up activities and create incentives for people to participate	Workgroup and volunteers	Volunteers and local businesses that can donate small incentives and provide food "Sign Me Up" cards Churches and other organizations in the community	Spring/Summer 2019 clean-up organized, with volunteers committed to participate, and incentives and food donated	6 months and ongoing
5.	Enforce existing City code and prosecute 1-2 violations to demonstrate seriousness	City	Kurt Hibbert – discussed other communities in the region that had prosecuted violators and the positive effects of that on the community clean-up John Bullock – code enforcement officer	More violators voluntarily clean-up property after receiving citations, and/or ask for assistance from the Beautification Workgroup	6 months

	Develop "Have a Need, Meet a Need" database or online platform	Workgroup	Reese will look into online platform used by her church as a possible model Workgroup & volunteers to identify needs in the community	"Have a Need, Meet a Need" developed, publicized and operational	6 months
	Organize McCammon Pride Day after Pioneer Day and Rodeo in July	Workgroup and volunteers	Volunteers to provide food and organize events	McCammon Pride Day organized and publicized Volunteers signed up to provide food and assist with day-of events	9 months – July
1	Organize community pride activities such as Treasure Show Antique and Yard Sale to provide a celebration for the community to show their treasures, sell them, and then have remaining items hauled away.	Workgroup and volunteers	Individuals with heavy equipment Volunteers and local businesses donate food and small incentives or prized.	Treasure Show organized, community members signed up to participate, volunteers and local businesses signed up to provide food and incentives or prized, and volunteers with heavy equipment signed up to haul away remaining treasures after the show.	10 months - August
9.	Install murals on building walls in downtown	Workgroup and volunteers	Ask downtown business & property owners to participate in & support new mural project. Contact local arts programs and artists to volunteer time and materials such as ISU, high school arts program, Tim Norton, elementary school, 4H program.	Downtown businesses agree to participate Local artists and arts program agree to participate Funding and/or materials secured to do the murals	6 months to 1 year

RESOURCES

"Resources" refer to potential sources of funding, technical assistance, and model projects in other communities that can help McCammon implement the action plans in this report.

Resource Database Maintained by the Western Community Assessment Network

The Western Community Assessment Network (WeCan) is a collaborative effort to evaluate and improve existing community review programs in Idaho, Montana, and Wyoming. WeCan is coordinated by the University of Idaho and is funded through a grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Idaho Rural Partnership and the other organizations that make up WeCan have created a searchable resource database that's available to all communities. We encourage McCammon leaders and residents to make full use of this database to find the funding and other resources needed to complete the high priority projects described in this report.



The WeCan Resource database is found here: https://www.communityreview.org/resource-database

Additional Resources by Focus Area

Additional Resources: Economic Development

Idaho Gem Grants (IGG) — IGG is a state program to assist rural communities with small infrastructure projects. These are state funds and thus do not include most of the requirements associated with federal grants. The bidding rules associated with this program are the same ones required of cities and counties under Idaho Code. http://commerce.idaho.gov/communities/community-grants/idaho-gem-grant. Contact: Jerry Miller jerry.miller@commerce.idaho.gov 208-287-0780.

Idaho Community Development Block Grant program sets aside a portion of the state's block grant allocation for downtown infrastructure projects. http://commerce.idaho.gov/communities/community-grants/community-development-block-grant-cdbg . Contact Dennis Porter dennis.porter@commerce.idaho.gov 208-287-0782.

The **City of Fairfield** received a CBDG grant to construct new sidewalks, landscaping, and lighting in its downtown area. McCammon might learn from their experience. They also completed a community revitalization plan which identified the downtown improvement project as a priority. Go to http://www.cityoffairfieldidaho.com/.

The Idaho Main Street Program is a licensed partner of the National Main Street Center and offers help for communities interested in pursuing the Main Street [™] model. https://commerce.idaho.gov/communities/main-street/ Contact: Jerry Miller, jerry.miller@commerce.idaho.gov 208-287-0780.

The National Main Street Center is a membership organization that offers a number of downtown improvement resources. Communities looking to explore Main Street for the first time may get a discounted annual membership \$150 per year. This membership provides access to the center's webinars, printed materials and resource centers. Subscribers also receive a complimentary membership to the National Trust for Historic Preservation and access to "member only" grant programs. Go to https://www.mainstreet.org/home. Contact: Jerry Miller, jerry.miller@commerce.idaho.gov 208-287-0780.

Givens Pursley Law Firm in Boise has published *Land Use Handbook: The Law of Planning, Zoning, and Property Rights in Idaho*, and other handbooks of interest to Idaho communities. This explains comprehensive plans and related requirements. Free download at: http://www.givenspursley.com/publications.

Idaho Commission on the Arts offers grants for a variety of arts-related projects, including murals and arts education. http://www.arts.idaho.gov/. Contact Juta Guertsen, juta.geurtsen@arts.idaho.gov, 208-334-2119.

Administered by the Department of Commerce, the **Idaho Travel Council** grant program provides funding for development and marketing of tourism and recreation-related amenities and services. Go to https://commerce.idaho.gov/tourism-resources/itc-grant-program/.

Project for Public Spaces is a nonprofit planning, design and educational organization dedicated to helping people create and sustain public spaces that build stronger communities. Our pioneering placemaking approach helps citizens transform their public spaces into vital places that highlight local assets, spur rejuvenation and serve common needs. http://www.pps.org.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Business Development Grant Program can help communities plan downtown improvement projects and collectively market downtown businesses. http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-business-development-grants. Contact Daryl Moser, daryl.moser@id.usda.gov, 208-378-5615.

New Markets Tax Credits are a resource that can be used to build new and rehabilitate older structures. In Idaho, New Market Tax Credits are administered by the Montana & Idaho Community Development Corporation. Go to http://mtcdc.org/loans/new-markets-tax-credits/. Contact Dave Glaser, 406-728-9234 ext. 211, daveg@mtcdc.org

Show Me the Money is a newsletter highlighting corporate, government and foundation grant opportunities. To subscribe, go to http://idaho.us2.list-manage2.com/subscribe?u=74de75b2fc7e24670e05b0def&id=a1f3c8c6b9 Contact Jerry Miller at jerry.miller@commerce.idaho.gov or 208-287-0780.

Gem State Prospector is website whereby agents, landlords and property owners can list properties that are available for sale or rent. The service is free and contains a number of data features that might be helpful for grant writing and other planning activities. http://www.gemstateprospector.com/. Jerry Miller, jerry.miller@commerce.idaho.gov 208-287-0780.

ArtPlace America, is a nationwide initiative to drive community revitalization through the arts, is inviting Letters of Inquiry for the fifth round of its National Grants program. Grants of up \$500,000 will be

awarded to projects that involve arts organizations, artists, and designers working in partnership with local and national partners to have a transformative impact on their community. http://www.artplaceamerica.org/our-work/national-grants-program/introduction

Idaho Department of Environmental Quality Brownfields programs offers loans and grants to assess and clean up contaminated buildings and properties. https://www.deq.idaho.gov/waste-mgmt-remediation/brownfields.aspx . Contact Eric Traynor eric.traynor@deq.idaho.gov

Northwest Community Development Institute is a training program accredited by the Community Development Council a national organization dedicated to training of community, downtown and economic development professionals. The training is offered every July in Boise. http://commerce.idaho.gov/communities/northwest-community-development-institute, Contact Jerry Miller jerry.miller@commerce.idaho.gov (208) 287-0780

Economic Development Terms & Acronyms is a comprehensive primer to economic development terms and concepts. This is a great resource for both economic development novices and veterans alike. http://edtbestpractices.com/wp-content/uploads/GL-Uploads/General-ED-Resources/Economic-Development-Terms-Acronyms-Greg-Last.pdf

The Southeast Idaho Council of Governments is the economic development district serving the seven-county region of southeast Idaho. They help lead the locally-based, regionally driven economic development planning process that leverages the involvement of the public, private and non-profit sectors to establish a strategic blueprint (i.e., an economic development roadmap) for regional collaboration. Go to www.sicog.org

Additional Resources: Community Services

USDA Rural Development offers grant and other financing programs for community facilities, housing, and business development. Contact McCammon visiting team member Shawn Cafferty, 208-690-3539, shawn.cafferty@id.usda.gov.

Idaho Community Development Block Grant program funds public facilities infrastructure projects. The CDBG program funds fire and ambulance stations, but not jails. CDBG projects must benefit low and moderate income households. For projects that benefit the community's population overall, Census data is used to determine the benefit to low and moderate income households. McCammon will need to determine CDBG eligibility, depending on the specifics of the project, with the Idaho Department of Commerce before submitting an application to the CDBG program. Go to http://commerce.idaho.gov/communities/community-grants/community-development-block-grant-cdbg. Contact Dennis Porter, dennis.porter@commerce.idaho.gov, 208-287-0782.

The **Idaho Fire Chief's Association** might be able to help identify completed public safety buildings that are similar to the facility described in this report. Go to http://www.idahofirechiefs.org/, 208-629-4865.

Much can be learned by talking with cities and counties that have recently completed or are currently building new fire stations or similar facilities. Examples include Downey, Grand View, Nez Perce, Payette, Moore, Cambridge, Shelley-Firth, Osburn, Shoshone County, Gooding County, and Custer County.

There are thousands of local junior firefighter programs nationwide. The National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC) created the National Junior Firefighter program where departments and youth alike can find the resources, tools, and information they need to help develop, grow, enhance, promote, and participate in these local programs. Go to https://juniors.nvfc.org/ or call 1-888-ASK-NVFC (275-6832).

Additional Resources: Community Places, Spaces, & Events

The following Idaho communities have city buildings that serve multiple functions similar to what is contemplated by McCammon and described in this report: **Athol, Garden City, Driggs, Glenns Ferry, Gooding, American Falls, and Aberdeen**. Services typically combined under one roof include some combination of the following: city hall/council chambers, community meeting space, indoor recreation (e.g. gym), senior center, library, and police and/or fire departments.

Sign Up Genius is an online tool for recruiting and managing volunteers. http://www.signupgenius.com/.

In Our Back Yard (IOBY) is a non-profit that helps communities accomplish small projects through crowd source funding. IOBY can help craft a crowd sourcing campaign and even serve as a group's 501(C)3 if none exist. Go to http://www.ioby.org/.

Civitan International is an organization of volunteer service clubs around the world, dedicated to helping people in their own communities. Civitan help wherever the need arises – from collecting food for a homeless shelter, to volunteering at their local retirement home, to building a playground for children with disabilities. Civitan have been helping people since the organization's founding in 1917, by a group of businessmen determined to make a difference in their community. www.civitan.org

Canva: Design anything. Publish anywhere. Use Canva's drag-and-drop feature and professional layouts to design consistently stunning graphics. Think "Graphic Design for Dummies" - special rates for non-profits and other small organizations. Go to www.canva.com.

Eventbrite: Create a beautiful event listing page with built-in payment processing, analytics, and support. Free for free events! Go to www.eventbrite.com

Weebly: With tailored, step-by-step guidance, it's easy to build a professional website with Weebly. Create exactly what you want and update it easily whenever you want. There's no coding needed and everything you design looks great on any device. Go to www.weebly.com

The **Idaho Community Foundation** also offers grants to nonprofits, schools and other organizations and provides scholarships to students. Money for grants and scholarships comes from charitable funds established by donors. Go to www.idahocf.org.

Additional Resources: Community Enhancement

Transportation Alternatives Program is a federal funding program of the Federal Highway Administration for bicycle and pedestrian projects. For local roads: http://lhtac.org/programs/transportation-alternatives-program/. For State Routes: https://itd.idaho.gov/alt-programs/.

Child Pedestrian Safety Program is a state funding program for projects that improve children's pedestrian safety. http://lhtac.org/programs/children-pedestrian-safety-program/.

ADA Curb Ramp Program is a state funding program that provides funding for curb ramps on the State Highway system. https://itd.idaho.gov/alt-programs/

Rotary International is an international service organization whose stated purpose is to bring together business and professional leaders in order to provide humanitarian service and to advance goodwill and peace around the world www.rotary.org

American Legion/ American Legion Auxiliary was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veteran's organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. It is the nation's largest wartime veterans service organization, committed to mentoring youth and sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion to our fellow service members and veterans. www.legion.org

Elks inculcate the principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity; to recognize a belief in God; to promote the welfare and enhance the happiness of its members; to quicken the spirit of American patriotism; to cultivate good fellowship; to perpetuate itself as a fraternal organization, and to provide for its government, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America will serve the people and communities through benevolent programs, demonstrating that Elks Care and Elks Share. Go to www.elks.org

Fundable.org offers tips on putting together a community cleanup project. Go to http://www.fundable.org/fundraising-ideas/community-cleanup-fundraisers/

Much can be learned with how other communities approach code enforcement. Go here to see what can be learned from the **City of Pocatello's** code enforcement programs and procedures: https://www.pocatello.us/376/Code-Enforcement.

The Association of Washington Cities' **Municipal Research Services Center** has excellent information about code enforcement policies, procedures, and model ordinances. Go to http://mrsc.org/Home/Explore-Topics/Legal/Regulation/Nuisances-Regulation-and-Abatement/Code-Enforcement.aspx.

Kansas State University Extension publishes a free guidebook on conducting a community clean-up/fix-up campaign. Go to http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/bookstore/pubs/MF931.pdf.

Many Idaho cities have organized daylong or weeklong community clean-up events. Rathdrum, St. Anthony, Blackfoot, Post Falls, Idaho City, Melba, and Shelley are just a few examples. To see a slide show of a 2011 clean-up day in Idaho City, go to http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3ellPF-pXm0.

Idaho Smart Growth and **Idaho Walk Bike Alliance** can help with data collection, planning, and strategic guidance related to making McCammon more bike and pedestrian friendly. Go to www.idahosmartgrowth.org and <a href="https://www.idahosmartgrowth.

The **Local Highway Technical Assistance Council** can help access transportation-related funding available through the Idaho Transportation Department. Go to https://lhtac.org/.

PHASE III

Known as the "Launch" phase of the Community Review process, Phase III focuses on the further development and implementation of the action plans found in this report.

Phase III typically includes a public gathering celebrating accomplishments, conducting a satisfaction survey and completing a focus group-like activity known as Ripple Effects Mapping.

Community Coaching

Lori Porreca from the Federal Highway Administration and Krystal Harmon from Southeast Idaho Council of Governments began serving as community coaches for McCammon soon after the Phase II visit described in this report.

Phase III offers support as needed to help the community implement the actions plans developed during Phase II. The exact nature and duration of this assistance depends on community needs and issues and is provided by one to two community coaches who come from IRP and/or our partners organizations and agencies. It is not uncommon for the community coach or coaches to have been a member of the visiting team for Phase II.

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The following are examples of the types of support typically provided by the community coaches.

- Assist in establishing proactive and effective planning and implementation steering committees and project action teams
- Facilitate the development of leadership and capacity development skills (e.g., making space for new leaders to become established)
- Assist in developing and implementing community engagement and planning processes
- Provide guidance on the process of project development
- · Assist with facilitation as needed
- Help connect teams to potential funding possibilities and partners
- Help diagnose the technical assistance needs of teams
- Advise on project evaluation strategies
- Help teams develop a culture of reflective learning to advance team goals

APPENDICES

Appendix A Documentation of In-kind Value

Appendix B Agenda for Phase II Visit, McCammon Community

Review

Appendix C Home and Visiting Team Rosters

Appendix D Worksheets A and B used during McCammon

Community Review

Appendix E A Community Center How-to Guide

Appendix F McCammon Community Action Council Action Plan

Appendix A Documentation of Value of Phase II, McCammon Community Review

Total Value of McCammon Community Review, Phase II

Description	Value + actual cost
Total in-kind value of time donated by visiting team members	\$10,387.93
Coordination and administration by IRP staff	\$5,650.00
In-kind lodging and travel costs	\$1,583.22
Food, bus transportation, and meeting space	\$550.00
Report writing and printing	\$3,750.00
Total Value (actual and In-kind, combined)	\$21,921.15

Appendix B

McCammon Community Review Phase II Agenda

October 23-24, 2018

Summary

Tuesday, October 23

- Team Tour
- Concurrent Focus Area Session
- Visioning Town Meeting to Develop Community Vision

Wednesday, October 24

- Focus areas develop action plans
- Home Team and Visiting Team Regroup
- Report Out

Detailed Schedule

Tuesday, October	23	
10:45am – 11:00 am	Visiting team gathers at Harkness Hotel	
11:00am – 12:00 pm	Driving & walking tour for Visiting Team	
12:00pm -1:00 pm	WORKING LUNCH (Visiting & Home Teams)	
	Review with Home Team and Visiting Team	
	Team introductions	
	Review of Phase 1 Report	
	Topics and Issues	
	Agenda for Phase 2	
	Coach discussion	
1:00pm – 1:30 pm	Visiting Team prep	
1:30pm – 3:30 pm	CONCURRENT FOCUS AREA SESSIONS	
	Locations: 2 teams at Harkness Hotel Banquet Room; 2 teams at City Hall	
	1:30 – 1:40 Divide into focus areas:	
	Community Enhancement	
	Community Places, Spaces and Events	
	Community Services	
	Economic Development	
	1:40 – 1:50 Review Topic and Issues (add/remove)	
	1:50 – 2:30 Prioritize - Worksheets A, B, and C if necessary (2 + 4 + 8)	
	2:30 – 3:00 Digging Deeper – divide group again on topics/issues, if needed	

	Clearly define the issue
	What do we need to do to make this happen?
	o Resources
	o People
	 Plan Working Group Meeting tomorrow
3:00 – 3:30 pm	RAPID FIRE REPORT OUT (5 minutes each focus area)
	Location: Harkness Hotel Banquet Room (all focus areas)
3:30pm – 6:15 pm	DOWN TIME AND DINNER
	Dinner location: Harkness Hotel Banquet Room
6:30pm – 7:30 pm	TOWN MEETING TO DEVELOP COMMUNITY VISION
	Location: Harkness Hotel Banquet Room
	Phase 1 Review – How we got here!
	 Review of conclusions from focus area sessions
	Visioning exercise
	Review Wednesday schedule and next steps
October 24	
7:45am – 8:30 am	Visiting Team Breakfast
	Location: TBD
8:30am – 9:00 am	Visiting Team Prep
9:00am – 11:00 am	FOCUS AREAS MEET TO BEGIN ACTION PLANS
	Locations: 2 focus areas meet at Harkness Hotel; 2 groups meet at City Hall
	Community Enhancement Working Group
	 Community Places, Spaces and Events Working Group
	Community Services Working Group
	Economic Development
	Introductions, choose recorder, specialist(s) and group dig into projects, who is
	not here? Next meeting?
11:00am- 1:30 pm	WORKING LUNCH
	Visiting Team, Home Team, Working Group Champions, Working lunch
	 Determine if additional tours are needed, more information from
	Working Groups thus far, etc.
1:30pm – 3:00 pm	REPORT OUT (ALL FOCUS AREAS)
	Location: Harkness Hotel Banquet Room

Appendix B

Home and Visiting Team Rosters

Home Team Roster

Overall Coordination & Leadership
Aaron Hunsaker
Mayor Karlene Hall
Economic Development
Aaron Hunsaker
Heidi Belnap
Cheryl Thomas
Community Enhancement
Mayor Karlene Hall
Sherry Bordeaux
Community Places, Spaces, and Events
Ashley McQuivey
Margie King
Community Services
Dale Kinlock

Visiting Team Roster

VISITING TEAM COORDINATING	BUSINESS/AGENCY	TELEPHONE	EMAIL
Jon Barrett	Idaho Rural Partnership	208-332-1731	jon.barrett@irp.idaho.gov
Lorie Higgins	University of Idaho Extension	208-669-1480	higgins@uidaho.edu
Vickie Winkel	Idaho Rural Partnership	208-332-1730	vickie.winkel@irp.idaho.gov
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOCUS	AREA		
Jerry Miller	Idaho Dept. of Commerce	208-287-0780	jerry.miller@commerce.idaho.gov
Krystal Harmon	SE Idaho Council of Governments	208-233-4535	krystal@sicog.org
Michael Patton	SE Idaho Council of Governments	208-233-4535	Michael@sicog.org
COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT FOCU	JS AREA		
Lori Porreca	Federal Highway Administration	208-334-9180	lori.porreca@dot.gov
Chris Piersol	Idaho Transportation Department	208-239-3300	chris.piersol@itd.idaho.gov
COMMUNITY PLACES, SPACES, AND	EVENTS FOCUS AREA		
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Kurt Hibbert	City of Blackfoot	208-785-8600	khibbert@cityofblackfoot.org
COMMUNITY SERVICES FOCUS AREA	A		
Shawn Cafferty	USDA Rural Development	208-690-3539	shawn.cafferty@id.usda.gov
Jon Barrett	Idaho Rural Partnership	208-332-1731	Jon.barrett@irp.idaho.gov

Appendix C

Blank worksheets A and B

McCammon Worksheet A Project Identification

Idaho Community Review

Work on this Individually	Name (optional)
your mind as a possibility – please id	m this process thus far – or perhaps something that has been on dentify up to three projects that you PERSONALLY consider to be a sh Valley. NOTE: You are not limited to the ideas included in the sare welcome!
Possibility #1:	
 Ponder: * Why is this important to the come * How will the project impact the come * What do you see as obstacles and * How willing are you to help make 	ommunity and/or Marsh Valley? I how do you suggest overcoming these obstacles?
Possibility #2:	
 Ponder: * Why is this important to the come * How will the project impact the come * What do you see as obstacles and * How willing are you to help make 	ommunity and/or Marsh Valley? how do you suggest overcoming these obstacles?
Possibility #3:	
Ponder:	

* Why is this important to the community and/or Marsh Valley?* How will the project impact the community and/or Marsh Valley?

* How willing are you to help make this possibility a reality?

* What do you see as obstacles and how do you suggest overcoming these obstacles?

McCammon Worksheet B Project Development Idaho Community Review October 23, 2018 1:30pm – 3:30pm

After dividing into focus area teams

Discuss in your small group each person's ideas from Worksheet A. Come to agreement on three possibilities.

Possibility #1:
Resources necessary to achieve this goal (financial and other):
Identify who the lead agency, organization or individual should be in this process, and other partners who should be involved:
Time frame (e.g., 60 days, 6-12 months, more than 12 months):
Are you willing to make a time commitment to help this possibility become a reality? List names and best contact (point of phone and/or email)
Possibility #2:
Resources necessary to achieve this goal (financial and other):
Identify who the lead agency, organization or individual should be in this process, and other partners who should be involved:
Time frame (e.g., 60 days, 6-12 months, more than 12 months):
Are you willing to make a time commitment to help this possibility become a reality? List names and best contact (point of phone and/or email)
Possibility #3:
Resources necessary to achieve this goal (financial and other):

Identify who the lead agency, organization or individual should be in this process, and other partners who should be involved:
Time frame (e.g., 60 days, 6-12 months, more than 12 months):
Are you willing to make a time commitment to help this possibility become a reality? List names and best contact (point of phone and/or email)

Appendix D

A Community Center How-to Guide

Prepared by Tony Tenne, Community Development Specialist Idaho Department of Commerce

The vast majority of community center grants for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program are existing city/county owned facilities (or also can be owned by non-profit or recreation district) where block grant funds are used to make upgrades to or complete an existing project. Applications for community/senior centers are due the first Friday in March every year. Cities/Counties seeking community center grants must income qualify by either Census or income survey. Seniors are considered "limited clientele" and senior center projects automatically qualify. Grants are up to \$150,000.

Here are a few examples of projects in North and North Central Idaho where CDBG funds were used.

City of Nezperce

The City of Nezperce is a great example of community collaboration on a project. A library project was spearheaded by community member Maxine Riggers and a community center/library funded by private donations, local and in-kind cash and private cash took shape.

Phase I of the project, funded by the city and local groups finished a shell structure with siding, foundation and doors. \$150,000 of CDBG funds were used to complete the interior work including HVAC, electrical, plumbing, ADA accessible restrooms, kitchen, sheetrock and interior painting. A community chain transported the books from the old facility to the new. The phone number for the city is 937-1021.





City of Cottonwood

Horizons volunteer Chinh Le from the Prairie Horizon Group played a big role in getting the community center renovation project going for the City of Cottonwood. The center had wood covering all the windows, an outdated kitchen and a basement library that was not ADA accessible. CDBG funds were used to remodel the exterior basement entrance, install a

mechanical lift for ADA accessibility, remodel the main floor restrooms and uncover and replace nine large interior windows. The electrical system was also upgraded to accommodate larger scale use. The city also contributed close to 100% cash match alone to the project (not including local/private donations). The phone number for the city is 962.3231



City of Kamiah

The American Legion owns the community center in Kamiah and it is run by the Upper Clearwater Community Foundation who rent the building for a nominal fee to run as the community center. The city applied for a grant and then sub-granted it to the Upper Clearwater Community Foundation.



The vast majority of the Kamiah City Pool's operating budget came from the annual crab feed held in the community center building. Age and disrepair threatened the integrity of the structure and the annual crab feed was going to be looking for a new place to hold their event. The project, currently under construction, included a remodel of the main floor, adding insulation, replacing windows, addition of ceiling covering, and installation of an updated electrical system and recovering the main floor. An ADA accessible entrance and ramp outside is also being constructed. The phone number for the City of Kamiah is 935.2672.





Appendix F McCammon Community Action Council Mind Map

