

Ashland - Bayfield - Burnett - Douglas - Iron - Price - Rusk - Sawyer -Taylor - Washburn and the Northwest Tribal Nations of Red Cliff -Lac Du Flambeau - Lac Courte Oreilles - Bad River - St. Croix

> Rusk County Community Resource Forum March 12, 2020

WHO WE ARE

The Northwest Regional Planning Commission (NWRPC) was created in 1959 by local units of government of Northwest Wisconsin.

It is the oldest planning commission in Wisconsin and one of the first multi-county planning commissions in the nation.



OUR MISSION

NWRPC's Mission Statement

As an advocate for Northwest Wisconsin, NWRPC is a leader, a coordinator, and an advisor. This is accomplished through implementation of our core functions of planning, community development, and economic development.



ORGANIZATION INCLUDES:

- 31 MEMBER COMMISSION
- EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
- 10 MEMBER COUNTIES
 - **5 TRIBAL NATIONS**
- 229 UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT:
 - ► 14 CITIES
 - 185 TOWNS
 - ► 30 VILLAGES
- 1 METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)
- POPULATION OF APPROX 177,000
- APPROX. 10,927 SQUARE MILES

NORTHWEST REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

SERVICES TO MEET YOUR

NEEDS NWRPC has expert staff to respond to the long-range and day-to-day needs of our member communities and provide support services to assist local officials and staff.



PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- Provide technical assistance to member communities to address challenges in a manner that sustains community character and fosters a sense of place.
- Expert staff is able to respond to long-range and day-to-day needs of our member communities.
- Whether your community is considering a potential project or just has general questions, NWRPC can help.

NORTHWEST WISCONSIN INFRASTRUCTURE CAPACITY ANALYSIS



City of Ladysmith/

Rusk County

Business Technical

Assistance Informational

Meeting

In Order To Provide Business Owners

with Information on All the Funding,

Recovery and Financing Assistance Programs Available.

Tuesday, September 10th 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Rusk County Community Library Community Rooms

or more information call 715-635-2197



Town of Willard WELCOME

Comprehensive Hall

PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- Providing towns, villages, cities, counties and tribal nations with planning and development services
- Comprehensive and Asset-Based
 Community Plans, Outdoor
 Recreational Plans, TID assistance
- Resiliency planning
- Infrastructure Planning and Assistance
- Multi-modal transportation planning and coordination assistance
- Coordinated Transit Planning
- Mapping and GIS services
- Grant writing and project development

ENVIRONMENTAL - RECYCLING AND HHW

- Administers the Responsible Unit (RU residential recycling requirements) for the counties of Washburn, Burnett, and Douglas.
- Created in 1995, NWRPC's Household Hazardous Waste Program (HHW) has taken in well over A MILLION POUNDS of chemicals.
- Collect unwanted medications during HHW events.
- Collect Very Small Quantity Generator (VSQG) chemicals and waste from business and local governments.
- Provide educational information to residents and others.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- County and Local Economic Development Partnerships
- Economic Development District (U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration since 1975)
- Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy
- Technical and Business Planning Services
- Revolving Loan Fund Administration & Development
- Related Entity Coordination and Administration
 - Northwest Wisconsin Business Development Corporation (NWBDC)
 - Wisconsin Business Innovation Corporation (WBIC)
 - Wisconsin Rural Enterprise Fund (WREF)
 - SBA Business Administration Micro Loan Fund (SBA- Micro)
 - Northwest Wisconsin Regional Economic Development Fund (NWREDF)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

NWRPC REVOLVING LOAN FUND PROGRAMS

- NW Wisconsin Business Development Corporation (NWBDC)
 - Economic Development Administration (EDA) RLF
 - 2 USDA Intermediary Relending Program (IRP) RLFs
 - Tech Seed Fund (TSF) RLF
 - HUD Emergency Management RLF
- Wisconsin Business Innovation Corporation (WBIC)
 - ► EDA RLF
 - USDA IRP RLF
- NW Wisconsin Regional Economic Development Fund (NWREDF)
 - Consolidated Regional Revolving Loan Fund (RLF)
- Northwest Regional Planning Commission (NWRPC)
 - SBA Microloan Revolving Fund (SBA MRF)
- Wisconsin Rural Enterprise Fund (WREF)

NORTHWEST ENTERPRISE CENTERS (BUSINESS INCUBATORS/ACCELERATORS)

- Northwest Enterprise Center Network (ECN)
 - Providing necessary resources to enhance technology-based business development; resulting in added economic diversification and strength within the region through the creation of high-skill, high wage jobs.
 - Ten facilities totaling 176,000 sq. ft. with locations in Grantsburg, Iron River, Medford, Phillips, Siren, and Spooner.
 - Accommodates start-up and expanding companies by providing Flexible Lease Space, Business Technical Assistance, Revolving Loan Funds and Venture Capital Financing.
- Results to Date:
 - ► 46 Companies
 - ► 418 jobs
 - ► 67.8 Million Annual Sales
 - \$19.1 Million Annual Payroll
 - \$62 Million Private Investment

HOUSING PROGRAMS

Northwest Regional Housing Program (CDBG)

Since 2013, NWRPC has served as the administrator of the 10 county Regional Housing Program and administrator of 18 local (town, village, city, county) housing RLF's.



What We Do...

We offer Zero Percent Interest, Deferred Payment Loans to Qualified Applicants for:

- Emergency Housing Repairs
- Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation
- Renter-Occupied Rehabilitation
- Handicap Accessibility Modifications
- Homebuyer Assistance

Emergency Assistance Program (CDBG-EAP)

NWRPC also serves as the administrator for EAP funding that assists with activities directly related to damages caused by storms and flooding.

- Iron, Ashland, Bayfield, Sawyer, Washburn (2016 & 2018 Flooding)
- Rusk County (2017 Tornado)

HOUSING PROGRAMS

Housing Revolving Loan Fund Programs (CDBG)

Since 1996 NWRPC has provided grant writing and administrative services to town, village, city, and county housing RLF's. Currently NWRPC administers 18 RLF's and coordinates with other agency administered housing RLF programs.

Northwest Affordable Housing, Inc. (NWAH)

NWRPC serves as the administrator for HOME and HCRI funding provided to NWAH. The program provides assistance to qualifying low- to moderate-income households who are unable to make necessary repairs to their home or families needing down payment assistance to purchase a home.



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NWRPC

- 60 years experience in the Region
- Proven track record
- Highly-qualified staff
- Familiar with State and Federal grants and programs
- Recipient of numerous State and National awards

Thank You! 715-635-2197

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