

Proposal to Develop an Action Plan on the Region's Economy Post-COVID-19

Several grant opportunities are coming up related to responses to the economic impact of the COVID-19 shutdown. Staff encourages a discussion on what localities might be doing and a discussion on what the region ought to be doing to help our economy. One idea for consideration is to develop a set of recommended actions that can be accomplished within the next two years which would include:

- Overview of where we are in a post COVID-19 economy
- Strengthening our economy's resilience
- What can we do to strengthen our workforce/education systems and better respond to business community
- How can we better support and strengthen our manufacturing sector (advanced technology)
- Strengthening agriculture/forestry/tourism in a post COVID-19 environment
- Update CEDS document to meet certain EDA criteria
- Partial funding available from Economic Development Administration