



Tioga County Development Corporation

Highlights of Services & Programs: 2009

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- △ Administer the **Tioga County Enterprise Zone** from 2006 to Present:
 - △ Includes 18 communities and 95% of industries in Tioga County

- △ Tioga County Loan Programs generating a Total Project Cost of \$6,084,311.00 with a Total Private Cost of \$5,137,774.00 and a Total Public Cost of \$943,537.00 for 2009
 - △ Loans Closed: 6
 - △ Retained & Projected Jobs: 57

- △ Tioga County Loan Programs in combination with other public loan programs has generated from 2003 through 2009 a Total Project Costs of \$40,249,358.00 with a Total Private Cost of \$29,681,531.00 and a Total Public Cost of \$11,132,537
 - △ 2003-2009 Loans Closed: 35
 - △ Retained & Projected Jobs: 1,475

- △ Received 29 serious business inquiries in 2009

- △ Provided Direct Assistance to the following Projects:
 - △ The Deane Center for the Performing Arts Project:
 - △ DCED Anchor Building Grant of \$500,000 (\$32,263 Grant/\$462,737 Loan)
 - △ USDA Community Facilities Grant for \$3,000,000 submitted in 2009
 - △ Cowanesque Valley Broadband Project:
 - △ Secured and Administered \$26,500 *eCommonwealth* Grant through NTRPDC

- △ Developed and promote the Tioga County Tax Preferential Abatement Program. Currently there are six (6) participating municipalities (Blossburg, Mansfield, Lawrence Township, Richmond Township, Tioga Borough and Wellsboro), as well as Tioga County. Two (2) abatement projects were approved in 2009

- △ Administer the Tioga County *Business Retention Expansion Program (BREP)* conducting 35 Business Calls in 2008-2009

- △ Continue to work in cleaning up the former Westfield Tanning Company (WESTAN) site for safety and environmental and potential industrial reuse.

- △ Contract an annual independent Economic Analysis and Forecasting for Tioga County

- △ Certifications
 - △ 2009 - 2011 Pennsylvania State Certification of Economic Development
 - △ 2009 - 2011 Area Loan Organization
 - △ 2009 Pennsylvania Economic Development Association Economic Development Certification for President & Economic Development

Coordinator

- △ 2008 - 2011 Northeastern Economic Developers Association Certification for President & Economic Development Coordinator
- △ Partner with several economic, community, educational & health care organizations including:
 - △ US Route 15/Appalachian Thruway Association for completion of US Route 15 and future I99 Designation
 - △ Northern Tier Regional Planning & Development Commission (NTRPDC)
 - △ Tioga County Partnership for Community Health (TCPCH)
 - △ Northcentral Pennsylvania Area Health Education Center (AHEC)
 - △ Tioga County Association of Boroughs (TCAB)
 - △ Tioga County Association of Township Officials
 - △ Local Chambers of Commerce & IDCs
 - △ Mansfield University
 - △ Pennsylvania College of Technology
 - △ University of Scranton/Small Business Development Center (SBDC)
 - △ Mill Cove, Inc.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Leadership Tioga County has become the flagship of the *Tioga County Development Corporation* recognized at the state and national level.

Youth Leadership Program

From 2000 through April 2009, 293 High School Juniors from the NTSD, STSD and WASD (New Covenant entered in 2009) have graduated. 1,280 Individuals, Organizations, Government, Businesses and Others have contributed \$570,421.28 in-kind to date.

Community Leadership Program

The adult leadership program began in 2002. Through May 2009 93 adults will have graduated representing 32 businesses and organizations. During this time period \$331,074.73 of in kind services from 900 Individuals, Organizations, Government, Businesses and Other.

WORKFORCE & CAREER DEVELOPMENT

The *Tioga County Foundation*, the charitable arm of the *Tioga County Development Corporation*, is pleased to offer its services as an approved Educational Improvement Organization for the Pennsylvania Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) Program. This program offers businesses the opportunity to support educational initiatives within our local public school districts, Northern Tioga School District, Southern Tioga School District, and Wellsboro Area School District.

Over the past 2 years, the EITC Program has approved 50 grants for the 3 Public School Districts.

- △ 2007-2008 School Year
 - △ Approved \$10,000.00 in Grants from the Tioga County Foundation
 - △ Leveraged \$57,740.00 from the Applicants
 - △ 718 Students benefitted from the Funds
- △ 2008-2009 School Year
 - △ Approved **\$36,856.00** in Grants from the Tioga County Foundation
 - △ Leveraged **\$74,722.63** from the Applicants

🏠 **4,677 Students benefitted from the Funds**

TCDC COMMUNICATIONS & EVENTS

13th Annual Legislative Breakfast held on April 9, 2009 attracted 200 Members and Guests. The 14th Annual Legislative Breakfast will be held April 1, 2010.

16th Annual Meeting was hosted by the Northern Tioga School District and held on July 27, 2009 at the Williamson Jr/Sr High School. It was attended by over 165 **Members and Guests** and 30 Vendors displayed their products and services. **The 17th Annual Meeting will be held on July 26, 2010.**

In 2008, *TCDC* began a new event for our Members . . . “Meet Our Member” Mixer. Our Second Annual “Meet Our Member” Mixer was held on September 16, 2009 at Seabrook House West in Westfield, PA and attracted **over 65 Members and Guests.**

Initiated *eNews Insider* in 2008 for our Members and updated our *tcdc-pa.com* home page adding additional resource information, internal search engine and other features. During 2009, 6 *eNews Insider* Newsletters were sent to over 900 individuals, organizations, etc. in our system keeping our Members and other aware of the activities of our Corporation.

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