WHO WE ARE

• Nonprofit organization

• Federally recognized Economic Development District (EDD)

• State recognized Certified Regional Development Corporation (CRDC)

• Services include:
  • Community Planning (CEDS, Growth Policies, Capital Improvement Plans, etc.)
  • Community Development (infrastructure planning and financing for water, wastewater, bridges, etc.)
  • Small Business Development Center (business planning and startup resources)
REGIONAL ECONOMY

- Agriculture – the primary industry in the region with wheat, pulse crops, and cattle
- Railroad – many Hi-Line communities were established to support the rail industry along Montana’s northern tier
- Health Care – Northern Montana Hospital; 2 Community Health Centers; 5 Critical Access Hospitals; 2 IHS Facilities
BEAR PAW BY THE NUMBERS
2017

$8,959,691 Funds Secured by BPDC

$85.33 Leveraged for every $1 in Local Government Funding

195 Jobs Created or Retained

124 Entrepreneurs Counseled by Small Business Development Center
IMPACT: BPDC THROUGH THE YEARS

Loans to Small Businesses Since Inception of RLF

381

Estimated Jobs Created Through RLF Since Inception

1,460

Funding Coordinated by BPDC Since 2006

$136,500,051

Business Lending & Leveraged Funds Since 1983 for Business Start-ups and Expansions

$59 Million
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