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Community Futures Development Corporation
of the
Pacific Northwest



*Softwood Industry
Community Economic
Adjustment Initiative*

The Softwood Industry Community Economic Adjustment Initiative was established by the Federal Government to help communities that have been impacted by the softwood tariffs imposed by the United States. Community Futures of the Pacific Northwest (CFDC-PNW) is administering the program for the region.

To date CFDC-PNW has received 39 applications for funding through this program at the initial stage. 9 applications are being worked on and 3 have been funded to date, totaling over a million dollars.

The projects that have been funded are as follows:

The North Coast Water Quality and Biotoxin program has received \$31, 805.40 in funding for the development and maintenance of shellfish testing sites throughout the Northwest. This funding will encourage the local shellfish industry to grow and develop in the Pacific Northwest.



The North Pacific Historic Fishing village has received \$191, 000.00 funding to enable the further development of the machine shop and the First Nations village displays. This will enable North Pacific to handle the increased traffic that is anticipated from the cruise ship industry.

The Port of Prince Rupert has received \$800, 000.00 for the final engineering stages towards the development of a container port in the Prince Rupert area. This study will complete the planning stages required for the development of the container Port.

To date in excess of one million dollars in funding have been received from the federal government to date under this particular program. Individuals that have projects that demonstrate sustainable, long-term economic benefits to the local economy are encouraged to discuss with Todd Lemire at the CFDC-PNW Office.

CFDC-PNW Board of Directors

Nancy Wilson	Chair
Bill Parmar	Vice-chair
Jack Rudolph	Secretary/Treasurer
Don Seidel	Loans Committee Chair
Brad Mirau	Director
Frank Alexcee	Director
Bob Sankey	Director

*Community Futures
of the Pacific Northwest
is locally driven by a
volunteer board of directors!*

Meet our Board



**Director -
Brad Mirau**

Brad has lived in Prince Rupert for over 15 years. He married his high school sweetheart, Janet, and they have three children. In addition to his volunteer service with the CFDC-PNW Board, Brad is a former member of the Prince Rupert and Chamber District of Commerce. He is also an active member of the Hecate Strait Rotary Club.

Brad Mirau has been on the Board of Directors of CFDC of the Pacific Northwest (CFDC-PNW) since the inception of the organization. He is a member of the CFDC-PNW Loans Committee. As the General Manager of Aero Trading Company's Port Edward Fish Processing Plant he brings a wealth of knowledge on the Fishing Industry to the organization.

Brad was recently recongnized by the Community Futures Development Association of B.C. as a "Volunteer of the Year".

Ripple Effects

Staff of Community Futures
of the Pacific Northwest

Maynard Angus General Manager
Louise Leclerc Executive Assistant/
Business Analyst
Treena Decker C.E.D. Coordinator
Todd Lemire SICEA Coordinator
Pat Lawson Receptionist

Meet Our Staff



Todd Lemire
SICEA Coordinator

Todd Lemire joined the Community Futures of the Pacific Northwest staff in July of 2003 as the Coordinator of the Softwood Industry Community Economic Adjustment Initiative (SICEAI). He has been a welcome addition to the staff with over 17 years of experience in the Forestry Industry.

Todd has been an entrepreneur, running a successful silviculture consulting company for seven years. He has knowledge of government regulations and industry hardships after working for 10 years with the Ministry of Forests. Todd also worked with the Kitkatla First Nations Band on Forestry program development.

Todd and his wife, Allison, are involved in many facets of community development through the Salvation Army and various other community organizations. The couple have two children and live in Port Edward.

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Export Expo November 4, 2003

Presentations:

10:00 – 12:00 How to Export Seminar
Jacalin Crosfield (Canada / British Columbia Business Services Society), Joan Reynolds (Western Economic Diversification)
12:00 – 12:15 Keynote Speech – Why Export?
Stephen Nairne (Industry Canada)
12:15 – 12:45 Working Lunch
12:45 – 2:15 Government Support/ Assistance Programs
Jacalin Crosfield – (Canada / British Columbia Business Services Society) - Export Readiness Self Assessment/ Skills Development
Joan Reynolds – (Western Economic Diversification) - Business Development Programs for Exporters
Carla Busnardo – (Canada Customs and Revenue Agency) - Trade Documentation, Permit Requirements & New Procedures
Joe Knockaert – (Canadian International Development Agency) - Financing International Development Projects/ Indigenous Peoples
Patricia Elliott – (Industry Canada – Pacific International Trade Centre) – Canadian Heritage's Trade Routes Program: International Market Support for Arts and Cultural Industries
Stephen Nairne – (Industry Canada – Pacific International Trade Centre) – Market Entry Strategies/ Export Finance and Risk Mitigation
2:15 – 4:00 – Wrap-up, Informal Meetings and Networking

Call Treena Decker to register as seats are limited!!

What we do...

There are Community Futures office throughout Western Canada. Community Futures of the Pacific Northwest serves the communities of Prince Rupert, Port Edward, Hartley Bay, Kitkatla, Kincolith, Oona River, Dodge Cove, Lax Kw'alaams and Metlakatla.

Community Futures of the Pacific Northwest is pleased to offer a variety of services to the North Coast region. The mission statement of Community Futures of the Pacific Northwest is:

"To actively contribute to building a diversified and sustainable economy for the Pacific Northwest through entrepreneurial development and participation in Regional Economic Planning."

Community Futures offers lending amounts between \$5,000.00 and \$75,000.00 to eligible clients who have explored other financing options.

In addition to the primary focus of helping entrepreneurs through our lending services we also have a business resource centre available to members of the general public at no cost. The resource centre includes a variety of printed materials, including a small library and two internet ready computers.

Community Futures ~ strengthening the economies of rural communities.

FEATURED BUSINESS LINK:

Industry Canada
<http://www.ic.gc.ca>

Industry Canada and the Industry Portfolio offer a broad range of programs, services and products to help sectors such as aboriginals, small business, communities, consumers, industry, regions, research, science, and youth.

Industry Canada Programs

Industry Canada delivers a broad range of programs and services designed to benefit a diverse client base across Canada. Collaborating extensively with partners at all levels of government, as well as within the private sector, the Department has become a leader in providing client-focussed services and leading edge products.

The network of Canada Business Service Centres provides an integrated access point for information and fact sheets on over 150 Industry Canada programs, services and regulations.

Leading-edge Internet services such as Strategis, Industry Canada's business and consumer site, provides information services 24 hours a day, seven days a week.