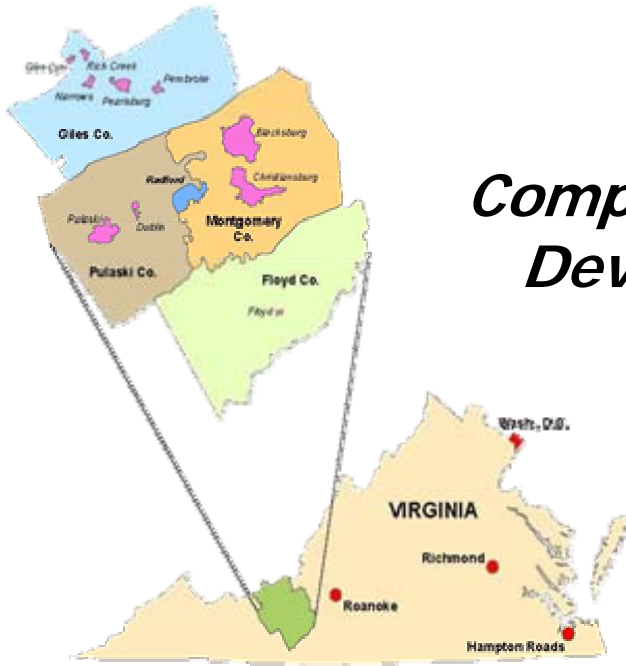


Virginia's New River Valley Strategic Plan



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INTRODUCTION

The purpose of the New River Valley Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) is to continue federal and local partnerships to address the economic development of the region. The CEDS process includes analysis, vision, action plan, and evaluation. This process helps create jobs, foster more stable and diversified economies, and improve living conditions. As a regional development strategy, Virginia's New River Valley Strategic Plan (*Vision 2020: Community First*) addresses the planning needs of the CEDS for the Economic Development Administration, the Area-wide Action Plan for the Appalachian Regional Commission, and the Regional Competitiveness Action Plan. Figure 1 attempts a graphic depiction of the myriad of community and organization involvement necessary for the development of the regional strategic plan. Though no organization has this planning process as their central activity – strategic planning is a collaborative effort with all of these organizations and groups represented and actively engaged.

CEDS emerges from a continuous planning process. This Annual Report of the New River Valley CEDS seeks to document and evaluate the process, effectively updating the CEDS, while responding to the reporting requirements, review, and critique of the previous CEDS for the Economic Development Administration. Rather than a single stand-alone section, evaluation is integrated as a continuous feedback loop in each part of the process and report.

The CEDS Committee includes the Principles of the Seven Investment Policy Guidelines in its project evaluation process. The Guidelines continue to be utilized in the development of CEDS projects.

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ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT

The New River Valley Planning District Commission (PDC) was created in September 1969 by the City of Radford, the Counties of Floyd, Giles, Montgomery, and Pulaski, and the Towns of Blacksburg, Christiansburg, and Pulaski. As key players in the regional economy, Virginia Tech and Radford University joined the Commission in July 2000 along with the Towns of Floyd, Narrows, Pearisburg, and Rich Creek. Twenty-four representatives of these entities make up the Board of Commissioners.

The PDC, as an Economic Development District, continues to serve as the CEDS committee for planning and economic development efforts in the New River Valley region. However, it works closely with several other regional groups that take leading roles in pursuing economic development projects and funding to advance the quality of life in the New River Valley (see Figure 1, page 4). These include the New River Valley Economic Development Alliance, the New River/Mount Rogers Workforce Investment Board, the Partners for Self Sufficiency (an organization formed by the local departments of social services in the region), Virginia's First Regional Industrial Facility Authority, the New River Valley Land Trust, and the Community Foundation of the New River Valley.

This spring, memoranda were sent to all the localities that participate in the New River Valley Planning District (PDC), and to collaborative partners. Each was asked to submit a list of projects that they were working on or considering. Then each group reviewed the status of current projects, and planning for the future. Staff at the PDC compiled the information for this report. The minutes of the CEDS Committee (PDC) meetings that were related to the CEDS are attached in Appendix I.

New projects and programs emerged and were refined this year. These are included in this document. In addition to projects, the Goals and Objectives for the Vision 2020 process were updated. The updated Goals and Objectives are on the following pages, and the revised evaluation criteria are included in the Annual Project Package Report Section.

The staff for the CEDS Committee includes David Rundgren, Executive Director of the Planning District Commission, as well as Shelia Smith, Regional Planner and Jan Gilbertson, Information Systems Manager.

A list and description of the current CEDS Committee membership, and current letters/resolutions from each of the localities that have participated in and supported the planning process are also attached in Appendices II and III, respectively.

Figure 1

CEDS Strategy Participants 2006



GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Virginia's New River Valley **VISION 2020** ***“Community First”*** **Updated April 2006**

The New River Valley Planning District Commission (Economic Development District) leads the continuous planning process for economic development in *Virginia's New River Valley* region (known as *“Community First”*).

A major update to *Vision 2020* was completed in 2003. The process started with a Celebration of the accomplishments in the Region since the 1995 version of the regional strategic planning document was prepared. Following the Celebration, meetings were held in each of the five jurisdictions. Additional public meetings were held around the specific goal areas. The partners involved in developing the update of the regional strategy included the New River Valley Regional Competitiveness Partnership, the New River Valley Land Trust, the New River Community Foundation, the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation along with the Economic Development District. Staff from these agencies served as a steering committee for the update process.

During the updating process, the tag line “A Globally Competitive Community” was replaced by *“Community First”*. The issue of competitiveness remains a very strong component of the development of the region. The new heading is driven by emphasis for putting ***Community First***, ahead of reliance on outside markets and ahead of individual or organizational pursuits. We are in this together in the New River Valley and we need to find ways to build bridges across jurisdictional and programmatic lines.

The Economic Development District works closely with localities and several regional groups that take key roles in pursuing economic development projects and funding to advance the quality of life in the New River Valley. The revised Goals and Objectives for 2005 are presented here in six interrelated categories: *Leadership, Education and Training, Human Resources, Natural and Cultural Environment, Economic Development, and Physical Infrastructure*.

LEADERSHIP

The New River Valley is an environment that promotes and sustains current and emerging leaders within our community.

Goal: To train, inspire, support and deploy qualified leadership for all sectors and programs in the region.

Objective: Support Leadership Development Program.

Objective: Develop regional leadership organization and certification programs.

Goal: To establish youth involvement in the regional community.

Objective: Establish youth leadership training.

Objective: Seek youth participation in programs and provide recognition.

Objective: Create youth-specific seats on local councils, boards, and committees.

Objective: Create Youth Entrepreneurial Center for business and civic development and practice.

Objective: Establish youth leadership recognition program.

Goal: To enhance and support entrepreneurial activity in the region.

Objective: Establish a model for entrepreneurial development through teams engaged in supporting start-up businesses.

Objective: Support VT KnowledgeWorks program for effective technology transfer with VT.

Objective: Support business incubator system in the region.

Goal: To enhance public understanding of organizations and their functions.

Objective: Community awareness workshops for corporate leaders and elected officials.

Objective: Establish a mechanism to foster regional coordination among government agencies and organizations.

Objective: Research and publicize non-profit and public contributions to community development efforts.

Objective: Quarterly human service community meetings to discuss service delivery and system constraints and promote community input and collaborative problem solving.

Goal: To promote and support organizational development and engagement in regional cooperation and collaboration.

Objective: Strengthen Non-profit corporate governance.

Objective: Promote local philanthropy to enhance community investment and commitment to local development.

Objective: Support regional coordination within and between government agencies.

Objective: Support and promote Christiansburg Institute.

Goal: To assist in establishment of a regional system to protect the regions physical and economic security.

Objective: Encourage the training of law enforcement departments in Homeland Security.

Objective: Assist localities in meeting homeland planning requirements.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

The New River Valley provides a cooperative educational system with quality personal, professional, and technical education for all citizens of the region.

Goal: To create educational programs that transcend school district lines to maximize available resources and eliminate inequity.

Objective: Use multi-media technologies in the classroom to share instructional delivery and access to information throughout the region.

Objective: Allocate resources equitably to ensure that students from all economic and basic skill groups in school are prepared, encouraged, and ready to learn.

Objective: Encourage State recognition of the need for a funding formula fostering regional cooperation among public schools in technology training and education.

Goal: To improve the Industry / Education interface at all levels.

Objective: Provide students with more "real world" learning opportunities in order to prepare them to compete in a global economy.

Objective: Provide nurturing environment to all children that stresses "employability skills" including work ethic.

Objective: Expand mentoring and "shadow" programs.

Objective: Establish partnerships between industry/business and schools to promote the importance of skill development and inform educators of the skills needed (e.g., Work Keys).

Goal: To increase literacy rates among the region's children and adults (90% with High School Diploma or equivalent).

Objective: Expand programs to teach basic literacy skills.

Objective: Offer more on-site literacy training opportunities to local businesses and industries.

Goal: To create life-long learning opportunities for New River Valley residents.

Objective: Expand educational curriculum, operating hours, use of technology, and location of programming to offer non-traditional students educational opportunities to meet the needs of all of the region's residents.

Objective: Provide affordable, diverse, and accessible continuing education opportunities.

Goal: To train and re-train workers for higher skills and productivity in the 21st Century economy.

Objective: Train managers and workers to meet the current and future challenges of a competitive marketplace.

Objective: Expand existing corporate training and professional development programs.

Objective: Encourage the "one stop career shop" to program services based on economic opportunities of the region and geared to providing skills and assistance necessary to compete in the global marketplace.

Objective: Implement a program to prepare secondary school students for technical careers that will support the recruitment of high technology industries to the New River Valley.

Goal: To enhance and link the region's labor skills and technology advantages to improve wage levels.

Objective: Link local industries with technology and research capabilities of Virginia Tech, Radford University, and New River Community College.

Objective: Expand the Virginia Tech Corporate Research Center's programs to include a strong technology transfer component.

Objective: Encourage alternative education in vocational programs, marketable skills, including business skills.

Objective: Market the region's specialty skill base to prospective industries.

Objective: Support research and development at all higher education institutions.

HUMAN RESOURCES

The New River Valley provides opportunities for families and individuals to achieve their potential.

Goal: To foster inter-agency cooperation in the delivery of human services.

Objective: Devise an easily available system for the delivery of human services.

Objective: Strengthen client awareness of available services through better use of media, technology, and volunteer care networks, and the grouping of social service agency representatives and informational material within the one stop center.

Goal: To provide affordable and accessible human services to all New River Valley citizens.

Objective: Make high quality services available in the New River Valley.

Objective: Target the needs of "high risk" persons of the region in order to allow greater participation of these persons in the workforce and community.

Objective: Encourage and improve volunteer involvement in the delivery of human services.

Goal: To create an affordable, accessible public transportation system for all citizens.

Objective: Coordinate and maximize the use of existing public and private transportation resources.

Objective: Target and coordinate the expansion of currently available "on demand" transportation services to fill the needs of elderly, disabled, and disadvantaged citizens.

Objective: Plan and coordinate the expansion of the existing public transportation network to incorporate the entire New River Valley.

Objective: Support volunteer-based transportation alternatives (e.g., Access to Rides).

Goal: To expand the region's child and adult day care network.

Objective: Develop an integrated network of private and public child and adult day care providers to assist families twenty-four hours a day.

Goal: To ensure the safety of the region's citizens.

Objective: Improve the region's preparedness and ability to respond to natural crisis and man-made emergencies.

Objective: Reduce police, fire, and Emergency Medical Service response times throughout the New River Valley.

Goal: To provide youth programs and support:

Objective: Provide access to family basics training.

Objective: Create a system of after school programs (e.g., boys and girls clubs).

Objective: Support the provision of youth shelter(s).

NATURAL AND CULTURAL ENVIRONMENT

The New River Valley is an attractive and desirable place to live, work, and visit.

Goal: To develop eco-tourism opportunities in the New River Valley.

Objective: Design and market a series of travel packages for different recreational consumers.

Objective: Institute measures to protect critical areas from inappropriate development.

Objective: Inventory cultural sites and artisan shops throughout the region, and establish loop trails off the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Objective: Develop nature-based recreational opportunities, including a network of trails for hiking and biking.

Goal: To manage the impacts of future development in order to preserve the character and quality of the regional environment.

Objective: Improve land use planning and practices to preserve the region's rural character ensure that critical or high risk areas are protected from inappropriate development.

Objective: Educate the public on the issues of land use planning and controls.

Objective: Encourage the development of recreational amenities in conjunction with all development throughout the region.

Objective: Collaborate with the New River Valley Land Trust and other groups to educate landowners regarding voluntary conservation easements.

Objective: Investigate program funding to assist in the cost of providing conservation easements.

Objective: Support existing agriculture operations and assist in developing alternative agriculture opportunities.

Goal: To encourage regional recycling as a way to reduce demand for new or expanded solid waste facilities.

Objective: Continue public awareness of benefits and needs for recycling.

Objective: Develop convenient means to recycle throughout the New River Valley.

Goal: To increase the awareness of educational and cultural programs in the region.

Objective: Promote the enhancement of educational and cultural amenities, to include cultural libraries.

Objective: Coordinate and cooperatively market local events regionally.

Goal: To develop activities and attractions that would better utilize the tourism potential of the New River Valley.

Objective: Identify, develop, and package the region's inventory of historical, cultural, natural features, and events and market to outside markets.

Objective: Examine opportunities to attract travelers from the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Objective: Create and support a regional tourism agency/organization to promote the New River Valley as a whole in partnership with each locality and other regional promotion organizations.

Objective: Develop a blueway along the New River, regionally.

Objective: Seek inter-regional partnerships with other Virginia communities, West Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Kentucky to enhance the region's chances of becoming a tourism destination.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The New River Valley has a diverse, stable business and industry community that provides high quality jobs, utilizes local ideas and technologies, and leverages private investment.

Goal: To increase the number of jobs created through entrepreneurial start-ups and expansions in the New River Valley.

Objective: Organize creative financing programs and improve entrepreneurs' access to capital.

Objective: Strengthen the New River Valley's capacity to assist in the creation and expansion of businesses that are competitive locally, nationally, and globally.

Objective: Support the business incubators, and their services to new businesses including the development of corporate structures.

Goal: To encourage "would be" entrepreneurs through education and enhanced opportunities.

Objective: Provide alternate educational opportunities and support to encourage self-employment.

Objective: Encourage and acknowledge entrepreneurial efforts in established local industries and businesses.

Objective: Encourage home-based, community-based business zoning.

Objective: Explore the establishment of a youth entrepreneurial center.

Goal: Expand the use of technology as a basis for entrepreneurial ventures.

Objective: Encourage the use of locally developed technology in manufacturing and other industry.

Objective: Support the development of E-commerce and business-to-business ventures.

Objective: Encourage the formation of programs to develop technology based businesses.

Goal: To expand the region's economic base without compromising the high quality of life.

Objective: Recruit environmentally responsible companies.

Objective: Utilize appropriate land use controls and utility availability to direct business to appropriate locations.

Objective: Develop and promote micro-business opportunities for recycled products to enhance local utilization of recycled materials.

Goal: To improve the region's ability to market itself and respond to the needs of new industrial, research, and technological prospects.

Objective: Market the region's existing industrial, technology, and research space.

Objective: Pursue a multi-regional marketing campaign involving the New River Valley Economic Development Alliance, and similar organizations throughout Western Virginia.

Goal: To strengthen the economic position of downtown commercial districts.

Objective: Enhance the diversity of the region's shopping opportunities.

Objective: Improve the competitiveness of downtown business districts.

Objective: Seek diversification and mixed use redevelopment of commercial districts.

Goal: To improve the customer service quality of local businesses.

Objective: Provide service instruction to employees.

Objective: Improve the region's ability to provide basic travel information to visitors.

- Goal:** **To improve the region's tourism development potential and ability to market itself as a tourism destination.**
- Objective:** Develop a feasibility report on the appropriate Tourism Marketing Organizations to market the Region.
- Objective:** Increase the region's tourism readiness and marketing capacity.
- Objective:** Attract support services.
- Goal:** **To attract new industries that will complement the region's economy, strengthen inter-industry linkages, and utilize the region's labor force.**
- Objective:** Pursue a targeted approach to economic development.
- Objective:** Recruit outside firms seeking a trained and skilled labor force, low utility costs, high quality industrial space, and convenient highway access.
- Objective:** Recruit outside firms that currently have significant vendor relationships with New River Valley companies.
- Objective:** Utilize Virginia's First to provide creative public incentives to encourage private investment.
- Objective:** Foster partnerships among localities with common needs (including non-adjacent counties).
- Goal:** **To enhance the financial resources of local governments through tax restructuring.**
- Objective:** Encourage the State to share income taxes and revenue growth with localities.
- Objective:** Encourage the state to allow more flexible local revenue strategies.
- Goal:** **To bring a voice to the policy table on behalf of the region.**
- Objective:** Seek representation on State Commissions and Committees.
- Objective:** Provide input to State from regional economic development organizations and planning districts.
- Goal:** **To improve the ability of local firms to strengthen industry relationships, access product and/or consumer markets, and become globally competitive.**
- Objective:** Develop a "Corporate Team" program to encourage local businesses to work together to pursue joint markets and/or federal contracts.
- Objective:** E-business support and development.
- Objective:** Market New River Valley products to other state, national, and international markets.
- Goal:** **To develop and strengthen the role of international trade and commerce in the economy of the New River Valley.**
- Objective:** Coordinate with existing international trade promotion, training and networking efforts/initiatives.
- Objective:** Market the advantages and promote the use of the Foreign Trade Zone and Customs Office at the New River Valley International Airport.
- Objective:** Use Foreign Trade Zone status as a tool in recruiting new industries and diversifying the New River Valley's economy.
- Goal:** **To improve the region's ability to support and respond to the needs of local industries.**
- Objective:** Create a more supportive and open relationship between industry, government, and educational institutions.
- Objective:** Utilize the Community College or the "one stop" centers to assist businesses seeking trained employees or training of employees requiring enhanced skills.
- Objective:** Provide intermediary between industry and social services.

Goal: **To improve the corporate profitability of existing firms in order to encourage capital investment and job creation.**

Objective: Evaluate the opportunity to create a New River Business Development Fund with the Community Foundation.

Objective: Create new financing opportunities for business/industry expansion.

Objective: Assist the commercialization of innovative technology and non-technology-based enterprises.

Objective: Develop more value-added processes for products developed locally.

Objective: Encourage recruitment of local college graduates.

Goal: **To develop opportunities with international firms.**

Objective: Identify potential international partners for local firms.

Objective: Evaluate the opportunities to locate a multi-modal transportation facility in the region.

Goal: **To capitalize on the region's unique human resources.**

Objective: To utilize specialty training (e.g. engineers, telecommunication, and technology).

Objective: To utilize specialty skills (e.g. artists and artisans).

Objective: To utilize basic skills in newer industries (e.g. hand dexterity).

PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

The New River Valley has complete and quality infrastructure to support the goals, needs, and aspirations of the regional community.

Goal: To improve the capacity, condition, and efficiency of inter- and intra-regional transportation systems.

Objective: Seek the commitment of government and private interests to improve the capacity, efficiency, and condition of the regional transportation network.

Objective: Increase the capacity and utilization of existing air service facilities in the New River Valley.

Objective: Support passenger rail service for the New River Valley.

Objective: Increase interstate connections.

Objective: Seek opportunities to implement multi-modal services.

Objective: Seek to expand public transportation services and private transportation providers.

Goal: To ensure adequate, reliable, and safe delivery of all utilities in the New River Valley.

Objective: Interconnect water and sewer systems regionally where possible to improve reliability and safety.

Objective: Examine the potential of the New River as an alternative source of water for communities using springs and wells.

Objective: Encourage AEP to build redundancy in electrical service to eliminate blackout/brownouts.

Objective: Deploy a network of fiber optics throughout the region.

Goal: To plan for the systematic construction, replacement, and repair of public infrastructure to meet future needs and ensure fiscal responsibility.

Objective: Encourage the development and updating of Capital Improvement Plans (CIP).

Objective: Seek creative and alternative funding sources for eligible capital improvement projects.

Objective: Seek creative and cooperative regional financing strategies for major infrastructure needs.

Goal: To improve the region's telecommunication network to attract new firms, assist existing firms, and educate citizens.

Objective: Establish a regional telecommunication committee to evaluate needs and recommend strategies.

Objective: Pursue the establishment of an open telecommunication network.

Objective: Promote the expansion and use of the "Electronic Classroom" at Virginia Tech, Radford University, New River Community College and primary and secondary schools.

Objective: Pursue direct electronic links to marketing information and market sources for advancing the region.

Objective: Establish a regional communications program for marketing and other outreach programs.

Goal: To enhance regional solutions to solid waste disposal and recycling.

Objective: Reduce the amount of waste added to the waste stream.

Objective: Seek inter-and intra-regional cooperation regarding the disposal of solid waste.

Objective: Pursue markets for recycled and reused products and materials.

Goal: To assure that the region has an ample supply of affordable housing to meet the needs of people in all income ranges.

Objective: Adopt creative approaches to encourage the creation of affordable housing.

Objective: Determine appropriate and cost-effective means for providing shelter for all residents.

Objective: Seek to establish phased retirement centers.

Goal: **To increase the region's supply of ready and available industrial and other economic development properties.**

Objective: Coordinate and evaluate the development of the New River Valley Airport and the New River Valley Commerce Park to provide property for air related development.

Objective: Identify, evaluate, and negotiate the acquisition and/or reserved use of industrial and business property within the region.

Objective: Develop regional properties tailored to the needs of targeted industries.

Objective: Utilize Virginia's First Regional Industrial Facilities Authority to cooperatively develop properties.

Objective: Develop public/private partnerships to meet space needs of targeted economic projects.

Goal: **To increase the commercialization of intellectual properties.**

Objective: Support the implementation of programs and facilities which support companies in their development and utilization of intellectual properties.(e.g., VT KnowledgeWorks and Radford University Business Technology Park).

EVALUATION OF PREVIOUS YEAR'S ACTIVITIES

The 2006 Project Package represented the priorities of the region as of May 2005. It is, therefore, imperative to look again critically at that list. First, it is ascertained whether or not the project is still desired by the named agency. If not, it will be dropped from the new list. If the project is still desired (indicated by an "X" in the table), it is evaluated in terms of status (see **New River Valley 2006 Annual Project Package Evaluation**, page 16). The status categories of "planning, funding, and completed" are explained below. If a project has been completed or is fully funded, it will not be included in the 2007 Project Package.

Planning

Planning, in this instance, is a general term used to indicate ongoing development of a project. This may include any of the following activities:

- ❑ holding project meetings
- ❑ studies including feasibility studies, engineering or architectural reports
- ❑ completion of required forms, permits, processes
- ❑ or any other activity indicating active pursuit of the project.

Funding

Funding is the critical yet often elusive component for bringing a project to fruition. The formal request for funding from Federal agencies is often a two-step process which begins with a pre-application. If the project is viewed favorably, the sponsoring agency is invited to submit an application. A project is considered "Funded" following award notification when grant agreements are completed.

Completed

A construction project is considered "completed" when the construction is entirely finished. A program (non-construction) is considered "completed" when it is implemented.

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		Project Status							Notes
Area	Description	Total Funding	Desired	Pre-App'l	Application	Funded	Completed		
	Economic Development								
NRV	VT KnowledgeWorks Phase I (formerly Montgomery County Business Accelerator) A facility providing intensive business training and space for people starting new businesses.	\$5,900,000	X	X	X	X	X	Project completed 3/05	
Radford	Business Technology Park To renovate/develop the old St. Albans property.	\$10,000,000	X						
NRV	NRV Community Regional Broadband Network Interconnect government facilities, schools, industrial parks, and in addition business and residents may be able to have advanced telecommunication services.	\$15,000,000	X					Phase I Project under development	
Pulaski County	Pulaski County Hammer Program (Job Training) Combination job-training and housing rehabilitation program for Low and Moderate Income individuals.	\$150,000	X						
NRV	New River Valley Development Revolving Loan Fund Fund to provide assistance for business and non-profit development.	\$500,000	X	X				\$50,000 funded by Rural Development	
Pearisburg	Downtown Pearisburg Revitalization Project To revitalize downtown Pearisburg.	\$5,800,000	X	X	X	X		Construction began 9/05	
Giles County	Giles Industrial Incubator (Giles Co) A facility located in the Bostic Industrial Park.	\$3,000,000	X						
Radford	Radford CDBG Entitlement (Annual) Community Development, Housing, Infrastructure and Public Service funds for LMI residents of the City of Radford.	\$262,995	X	X	X	X		Activities for FY 05-06 included housing rehab; neighborhood beautification; assistance to service orgs.; and infrastructure improvements	
Pulaski County	Pulaski County Dispatch/Communications To upgrade Pulaski County's dispatch/communications system.	\$1,600,000	X	X					
Narrows	Downtown Enhancement and Farmer's Market (Narrows) To build a Farmer's Market, new sidewalks & stop the Duck Pond eroding.	\$500,000	X	X	X	X	X		
NRV	Business and Industrial Revolving Loan Fund Provide funding for business and industrial fixed asset financing.	\$1,000,000	X						
Pulaski	Downtown Pulaski Revitalization Project To revitalize physically and economically the central business district through a storefront improvement program, a housing program, and a telecommunications program.	\$3,600,000	X	X	X	X	X	CDBG funding - Phase I	

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		Project Status					
Area	Description	Total Funding	Desired	Pre-Appr	Funded	Completed	Notes
Rich Creek	Rich Creek Downtown Enhancement Project Ensure the stability and success of downtown Rich Creek.	\$1,250,000	X				Seeking additional planning funds
NRV	Team Business Development of Companies.	\$1,000,000	X				
NRV	Regional Conference/Civic Center Determine feasibility and appropriate site for regional conference center.	\$15,000,000	X				Project currently tabled
NRV	Communications Center Purchase telecommunications equipment to make the New River Valley Competitiveness Center a world-class telecommunications center.	\$60,000	X				
Pulaski	Brownfields Redevelopment Redevelopment of existing industry and housing.	\$1,000,000	X				Pulaski Town Project
Floyd County	Multi-Use Facility in the Floyd Regional Commerce Center	\$3,200,000	X				
Floyd County	Marketing Floyd County Regional Commerce Center As a locality that already has advanced telecommunications infrastructure, access to higher education opportunities, available and affordable workforce, and available industrial space, Floyd County is seeking funding to create a model of promotion for Southwest Virginia.	\$60,000	X				Private/public partnership not currently related to direct project funding
Floyd County	Jacksonville Center E-Commerce Project (Floyd Co) Establishment of an e-commerce catalog of crafts and products.	\$50,000	X				
Education and Training							
NRV	21st Century Secondary Education - Alternative School A facility providing regional instruction for alternative study.	\$12,000,000	X				
NRV	Technology Magnet School: Workforce Development Designed to develop a specialized workforce in the NRV by providing advanced technology education to secondary schools. Federal funds will be used to purchase training equipment and construction of a facility.	\$8,000,000	X				
Physical Infrastructure							
NRV	Regional Water System Plan, Phase 2 Planning Evaluate water supply.	\$96,026	X	X	X	X	Completed August 2005

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		Project Status							
Area	Description	Total Funding	Desired	Planning	Pre-Appr	Application	Funded	Completed	Notes
NRV	Regional Water System Plan, Phase 3 Planning Conduct detailed Engineering Analysis. Develop Phase I project.	\$116,000	X	X	X	X	X		To be completed August 2006
NRV	NRV Airport Runway Overlay Strengthening of runway to enable use by heavier aircraft.	\$2,000,000	X						In Airport CIP
NRV	Parallel Taxiway To provide taxiway parallel to runway and offer an opportunity to provide air access to the Industrial Park (NRV Commerce Park).	\$6,000,000	X						
Radford	McHarg School (Radford) McHarg Elem. School would be replaced with a new 58,092 sq. ft. facility.	\$7,042,244	X						
Pulaski County	Pulaski County School Construction Renovate or replace facilities.	\$68,000,000	X						Phase 1 of 7 completed.
Radford	Radford High School Radford High School would be expanded by 1,280 sq. ft. to accommodate a Biology laboratory to meet Virginia Dept. of Education standards.	\$160,346	X						
NRV	New River Valley Commerce Park-Water and Sewer Project To provide water and sewer and support other economic development.	\$10,000,000	X						Plans and specs prepared
Pulaski County	Highland Park Subdivision Sewer (Pulaski Co) Provide sewer services to 233 residences.	\$2,274,000	X	X	X	X			Preliminary design complete; gathering easements
NRV	Intermodal Transportation Center Further explore the possibility of developing an intermodal transportation site on under-utilized US Army property near Dublin, Virginia.	\$8,000,000	X						
Radford	Industrial Park Development - Radford Corporate East Acquisition and development of new Industrial Park within City limits. Includes construction of roadway, sanitary sewer, waterline, landscaping, grading, surveying, etc.	\$1,600,000	X						
Pulaski County	Dublin Area Sewer Project To provide sewer.	\$1,900,000	X	X	X	X			Construction Winter of '06 / '07
Radford	High Meadows Development (Radford) Improve the water system to include line work and a water tank.	\$806,000	X						

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		Project Status						
Area	Description	Total Funding	Denied	Planned	Pre-Appr	Appr'd	Completed	Notes
Radford	Radford Gateway/Electronic Sign An electronic message board at the intersection of West Main Street and Memorial Bridge to provide community information. An extensive landscape plan is a part of the project.	\$118,000	X	X	X	X		
Radford	Public Safety Training Facility (Radford) A new facility would be located and developed to train fire and police personnel.	\$250,000	X					
Pulaski County	Pulaski County Central Water and Sewer Water Project Phase I (Pulaski Co) To provide water.	\$377,000	X	X	X	X		Construction Spring of '06
Pulaski County	Pulaski County Central Water and Sewer Project Phase 2 (Pulaski Co) To provide water and sewer.	\$2,200,000	X	X	X	X		Construction Fall of '06
Pulaski County	Bagging Plant Road Site Development Industrial access enhancement including connector to I-81.	\$3,000,000	X					
Radford	Radford Army Ammunition Plant Infrastructure Improvements Water, sewer, road, and rail upgrades at the New River site.	\$36,000,000	X					\$16,000,000 funded FY 05
Radford	Police Department (Radford) A new 20,000 sq. ft. building would be constructed to replace the aging Police/Public Safety building.	\$850,000	X					
Radford	Belle Heth School (Radford) Would undergo a multi-phase renovation which would include upgrades to mechanicals, new additions, etc.	\$805,683	X					
Pearisburg	Wenonah Avenue Pedestrian Gateway (Phase I) (Pearisburg) Extend sidewalks past existing bluffs to east of Town. Includes approximately 600 feet of new sidewalk and relocation of utilities.	\$180,000	X	X	X	X		
Pearisburg	Wenonah Avenue Pedestrian Gateway (Phase II) (Pearisburg) Extend sidewalks to Giles High School; add lighting, signage and landscaping.	\$192,500	X	X	X	X		
Giles County	Route 100 South To provide water service to Ownie and Mutter subdivisions.	\$2,300,000	X	X	X	X		CDBG/RD - Under Contract
Glen Lyn	Glen Lyn Housing Rehabilitation Project Housing rehabilitation to 26 housing units.	\$500,000	X	X	X	X		Construction began 4/05

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		Project Status						
Area	Description	Total Funding	Desired	Planning	Pre-Applic	Application	Completed	Notes
Pulaski County	Hiwassee Fire Department Expansion Add 1 fire bay, 1 rescue bay and community room.	\$500,000	X	X	X	X		Funding anticipated in July '06
Pulaski County	Riverbend Subdivision Sewer (Pulaski Co) Provide sewer services to 45 residences.	\$1,000,000	X					
Pulaski County	Fairgrounds Area Sewer (Pulaski Co) Provide sewer to NRV Fairgrounds & 148 residences.	\$1,800,000	X					
Radford	Bisset Park Restrooms (Radford) New restrooms would be construction at Bisset Park and open year round.	\$75,000	X	X	X	X	X	
Giles County	Shute Hollow Water Extension (Giles Co) Extend water service to 39 residences.	\$400,000	X	X	X	X	X	
NRV	Route 114 Bridge To replace the route 114 bridge that has structural damage.	\$20,000,000	X					On 6 year plan for 2007
Radford	Passenger Rail Station in Radford To develop a passenger rail station in the City of Radford.	\$10,000,000	X					
Radford	Municipal Building Upgrade (Radford) Heating, Air Conditioning and electrical systems would be upgraded.	\$100,000	X					
Radford	East Radford Fire Station An east radford fire station would be constructed with three bays, offices and parking.	\$450,000	X					
Pulaski County	Case Knife Road Water Extension (Pulaski Co) To provide water services to individuals on Case Knife Road.	\$150,000	X	X	X	X	X	
Giles County	Eggleston Water Extension Phase 2 (Giles Co) Extend water service to 160 residences.	\$1,400,000	X	X	X	X		Partially funded
Christiansburg	Christiansburg Sports Complex Multi-sport/activity center.	\$2,500,000	X	X	X	X		
Pulaski County	Pulaski Health Department Facility New building for Pulaski Health Dept.	\$2,500,000	X					
Pulaski	Calfee Park Renovations (Pulaski Town) Improvements to bring the facility up to baseball standards. Visitor dugouts, dressing rooms, and infrastructure improvements are needed.	\$1,000,000	X					

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		Project Status*							
Area	Description	Total Funding	Devel	Planng	Pre-Appl	Applicatn	Endd	Compltd	Notes
Floyd	Town of Floyd Downtown Revitalization Facade Improvement Program; Re-use strategy for under-utilized buildings; Development of downtown parking facilities & stormwater detention areas.	\$2,500,000	X	X	X	X	X		VDOT/CDBG/Private - Under contract
NRV	TransDominion Express - Capital Costs A statewide project to provide passenger rail transportation from Bristol through the New River Valley, and on to Richmond and Washington, D.C.	\$9,300,000	X						
NRV	Link Road: Pulaski County and Blacksburg New road to connect industrial area to Blacksburg.	\$24,000,000	X						Report completed.
Radford	Aquatic Center (Radford) An indoor 25 meter 8 lane swimming pool would be constructed adjacent to the New Recreation Center.	\$3,000,000	X						
Radford	Outdoor Swimming Pool (Radford) A new 25 meter outdoor swimming pool facility would be constructed next to the Radford Recreation Center.	\$1,800,000	X						
Giles County	Ingram Village Sewer (Giles Co) Put in water/sewer lines.	\$2,000,000	X						
Christiansburg	Christiansburg Aquatic Center Indoor swimming pool, etc.	\$4,000,000	X	X	X	X	X		Locally funded
Giles County	Route 635 Water Extension (Giles Co) Provide public water to approximately 150 residents in the Big Stony Community of Giles County.	\$3,000,000	X						
Giles County	Clendennin Water Extension (Giles Co) Provide public water to approximately 50 residents in the Clendennin community of Giles County.	\$2,000,000	X						
Dublin	Dublin Fire Department Expansion To add two bays.	\$750,000	X	X	X	X			
Pulaski	Hogan's Dam (Pulaski Town) To improve spillway to meet standards.	\$650,000	X						Study being conducted by Foresters Inc.
Floyd County	East Floyd Bypass Develop east Floyd industrial bypass.	\$4,000,000	X						
NRV	New River Valley Park and Ride Lot Development Development of new park and ride facilities.	\$1,500,000	X						

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Area	Description	Total Funding	Desired	Planning	Pre-App	Application	Completed	Notes
Floyd County	Route 8 Improvements (South) (Floyd Co) Road Improvements on Route 8 southbound from Floyd, South.	\$1,500,000	X					
Floyd County	Demolition and Abatement of Camp #5 Property (Floyd Co) To demolish a former prison and return 25 acres of prime property for use as an economic development site.	\$600,000	X					
Christiansburg	Passenger Rail Station in Christiansburg To develop a passenger rail station in the Town of Christiansburg.		X					
Natural and Cultural Environment								
Floyd County	Rocky Knob Interpretive Ctr. & Lodge, Reg. Collaborative (Floyd Co) A bi-county commission is working on the development of a major tourism destination along the Blue Ridge Parkway. A lodge and interpretive center are planned.	\$10,000,000	X	X				Federal funding awarded 2005 - \$1.2 million for planning
NRV	Connectivity of Trails, Regional Trail System Interconnect various local, state and federal trails to create a continuous network in southwest Virginia.	\$800,000	X	X				Feasibility study complete in June '06.
Radford	Amphitheater for Radford City A 200-500 seat amphitheater would be constructed for outdoor events. Would include engineering and construction.	\$100,000	X	X	X			
Radford	Bikeway/Walkway (Phase III) (Radford) Continue the development of the bikeway/walkway system from Connelly's Run to Wadsworth Street.	\$85,000	X	X	X			
Pearisburg	Whitt-Riverbend Park Development Phase II Development of public park on 27.7 acres of land with 1.75 miles frontage on Walker Creek and the New River. Site will include primitive camping, picnic areas, hiking, fishing, and improved road access.	\$250,000	X					
Pulaski	Restoration of Pulaski Theatre To restore the Pulaski Theatre.	\$1,000,000	X	X	X	X		Locally funded
Floyd County	Jacksonville Center Amphitheater & Residential Craft School The Jacksonville Center will continue development of its campus, including the residential craft school and the amphitheater.	\$250,000	X	X				
Pulaski	Maple Shade Business Plaza Develop an art/history museum complex/business plaza in downtown Pulaski.	\$4,000,000	X	X	X			

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		Project Status							
Area	Description	Total Funding	Desired	Planning	Pre-App	Application	Funded	Completed	Notes
Pulaski	The New River Trail Extension Extend trail from Cool Springs to Xaloy facility.	\$200,000 X	X	X	X	X			
Christiansburg	Christiansburg Institute The Black Educational Experience, Cultural Learning Curriculum, Oral History, and Site preservation.	\$3,000,000 X	X	X	X				
NRV	Promote Agricultural Tourism Program to encourage farmers to evaluate agricultural tourism to enhance incomes.	\$30,000 X	X						Contact VTC
Pulaski County	Claytor Lake Aquatic Restoration Project	\$2,090,000 X	X						
NRV	Promote Civil War Historical Sites To promote civil war historical sites throughout the NRV.		X						
NRV	Tie Regional Historical and Natural Attractions Together Develop a brochure and map for auto tours of attractions.	\$50,000 X							
Floyd County	Trail Around Floyd Commerce Center To develop a walking trail around the new Commerce Center in Floyd.	\$400,000 X							
PDCs 1-4	Human Resources Continuum of Care To address the needs of homeless and at-risk homeless persons in the region.	\$1,200,000 X	X	X	X	X			CHP Project - Funded 12/05
Radford	Addition to Radford Public Library Additional space to include a youth room, genealogy center, and technology center.	\$380,000 X	X						
NRV	Leadership Youth Planning Council Involve youth in discussing regional development issues.	\$20,000 X	X						
NRV	Create Formal Regional Leadership Organization Create formal leadership organization, hold community awareness workshop, and establish certified leadership development program.		X						

Project Evaluation Criteria - Revised April 2006

As stated in the Organization and Management section of this report, the PDC Board members reviewed and updated the project evaluation criteria.

PROJECT TYPE*

Priority Level 1 (8)

- Utilities: Water/Sewer/Communications
- Entrepreneurial/Small Business Assistance
- Local School & Educational Facilities
- Comprehensive Community Development
- Employment Creation/Retention – Technology and Industrial
- Primary/Arterial Roads
- Interstate Connections
- Rail and Airport service
- Technology Career Facilities

Priority Level 2 (6)

- Drought Management
- Drainage/Flood Control
- Housing Production
- Facilities for Protected Populations
- Tourism
- Secondary Roads
- Other Economic Development
- Central Business District Revitalization
- Mixed Use Development

Priority Level 3 (4)

- Sheltered Workshop
- Care Facilities
- Community Centers/Recreation
- Other Community Services Facilities
- Homeownership Program
- Protection of Cultural and Natural Resources

Priority Level 4 (2)

- Employment Creation/Retention - Commercial
- Other Housing
- Other Community Facilities
- Community Development Programs

*Administrative facilities to support project types have the same priority as the project type.

OTHER CRITERIA

While “project type” links the project criteria to the CEDS’ Goals and Strategies, there are other important factors in ranking individual projects. These factors are represented in the criteria listed below:

- Investment Relationship
- Regional Participation
- Relationship
- Per Capita Income
- Unemployment Rate
- Relative Jurisdictional Stress
- Relationship to Private Investments
- Relationship to Previous Investments
- Readiness to Initiate Project
- Public Private Partnership

1. Investment Relationship: The project is a significant investment in relation to the economy of the Planning District.

Points

- 4 A. Proposed investment directly supports high skill/high wage jobs.
- 3 B. Proposed investment results in an environment to support high skill/high wage jobs.
- 2 C. Proposed investment results in jobs having a regional average wage.
- 1 D. Proposed investment is to support high skill/high wage jobs.
- 0 E. Does not support job creation with above average wages.

2. Regional Significance: The significance of a project is in relation to the number of jurisdictions participating or impacted in reference to services and money invested.

Points

- 4 A. Four or More Jurisdictions Participating or Impacted
- 3 B. Three Jurisdictions Participating or Impacted
- 2 C. Two Jurisdictions Participating or Impacted
- 1 D. One Jurisdiction Participating or Impacted

3. Proposed Investment is Proactive: The proposed investment looks beyond the immediate economic horizon and is aimed at strengthening the relationships among business clusters.

Points

- 5 A. Project Relates Directly to Two or More existing or emerging Regional Economic Clusters
- 2 B. Project Relates Directly to One existing or emerging Regional Economic Cluster.
- 0 C. Project Does not Relate to a Regional Economic Cluster

4. Per Capita Income: Utilizing the latest available data, per capita income will be used in evaluating project significance. City-County/Town rank will be utilized, while in cases of multiple jurisdictions, the average rank will be determined.

Points

- 3 A. If less than or equal to 60% of State per capita income
 - 2 B. If 61 - 74% of State per capita income
 - 1 C. If 75 - 99% of State per capita income
 - 0 D. If greater than or equal to the State per capita income
5. Unemployment Rate: Utilizing the latest annual average figures available, unemployment rates will be used in evaluating project significance. City-County/Town will be utilized, while in cases of multiple jurisdictions, the average rank will be determined.

Points

- 3 A. If 50% or more above State average
 - 2 B. If 25 - 49% above State average
 - 1 C. If 1 - 24% above State average
 - 0 D. If equal to or below State average
6. Relative Jurisdictional Stress: A composite index prepared by the Commission on Local Government to compare the relative strengths of the jurisdictions in the State.

Points

- 2 A. High stress
 - 1 B. Above average stress
 - 0 C. Below average stress
7. Relationship to Private Investments: Capital investments from private sources relate to the significance of the project.

Points

- 5 A. Direct Private Capital Investment
 - 3 B. Direct Relationship to Private Capital Investment
 - 2 C. Indirect Relationship to Private Capital Investment
 - 1 D. Minimal Indirect Relationship to Private Capital Investment
8. Relationship to Previous Investment

Points

- 2 A. New Service or Facility; Expansion of Service from an Existing Service
- 1 B. Replacement of Existing Service or Facility

9. Readiness to Initiate Project

Points

- 5 A. Jurisdictional Commitment and Final Plans and Specifications-Application Filed
- 4 B. Jurisdictional Commitment - Preliminary Plans and Specifications-Pre-application Filed
- 2 C. Jurisdictional Commitment, but no Plans and Specifications-Desired Project
- 1 D. No Jurisdictional Commitment, but Preliminary Plans and Specifications-Pre-application/Application
- 0 E. No Jurisdictional Commitment and no Plans and Specifications-No Pre-application/Application

10. Public Private Partnership

Points

- 3 A. Significant Public Private Partners
- 1 B. A Public Private Partner
- 0 C. No Public Private Partner

In addition to the above criteria, all of the projects are reviewed for relationships to regional markets in order to maximize the return on taxpayer investment. Proposed projects are proactive trying to anticipate the economic changes in the region and continue to diversify the economy.

The environmental impact of each project will also be evaluated on a project-by-project basis.

Evaluating Projects

Projects remaining from the 2006 Project package as well as new project ideas are evaluated and ranked using the above criteria. While all the criteria are important, several are based directly on the most current economic data. For a summary of that data, see Tables 1, 2 and 3 below. For the scores and ranked projects, see the **New River Valley 2007 Annual Project Package**, page 30. (To see the short-range vs. long-range breakdown, see **New River Valley 2007 Annual Project Package in Time Order**, page 36).

Table 1
Per Capita Income

Jurisdiction	2000	% of VA
Floyd County	\$16,345	68.2%
Giles County	\$18,396	76.7%
Montgomery County	\$17,077	71.2%
Pulaski County	\$18,973	79.1%
City of Radford	\$14,289	59.6%
New River Valley	\$17,284	72.1%
Virginia	\$23,975	100.0%

Source: US Census Bureau.

Table 2
2005 Unemployment Rates

Jurisdiction	Percent
Floyd County	3.5%
Giles County	4.9%
Montgomery County	3.1%
Pulaski County	4.4%
City of Radford	3.9%
New River Valley	3.7%
Virginia	3.5%

Source: Virginia Employment Commission.

Note: 50% above the Virginia level would be 5.25% or more; 25-49% above would be 4.375 to 5.215%.

Table 3
Relative Jurisdictional Fiscal Stress, 2002/03

Jurisdiction	
Floyd County	Below Average
Giles County	Above Average
Montgomery County	Above Average
Pulaski County	Above Average
City of Radford	Above Average
New River Valley	Above Average

Source: Virginia Commission on Local Governments, April 2005.

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Score	Area	Description	Fed. S	State S	Local S	Total Funding	Const. Date	Responsible Agency
34	NRV	Route 114 Bridge To replace the Route 114 bridge that has structural damage.		\$20,000,000		\$20,000,000	2009	VDOT
33	NRV	New River Valley Commerce Park-Water and Sewer Project To provide water and sewer and support other economic development.	\$9,000,000		\$1,000,000	\$10,000,000	2008	Virginia's First
33	Pulaski County	Bagging Plant Road Site Development Industrial access enhancement including connector to I-81.	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000		\$3,000,000	2007	Virginia's First/ATK
33	Pulaski County	Radford Army Ammunition Plant Infrastructure Improvements Water, sewer, road, and rail upgrades at the New River site.	\$36,000,000			\$36,000,000	2008	ATK/Virginia's First
31	NRV	NRV Community Regional Broadband Network Interconnect government facilities, schools, industrial parks, and in addition business and residents may be able to have advanced telecommunication services.		\$10,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$15,000,000	2007	NRV Wireless Authority
31	NRV	Regional Water System Plan, Phase 4 Planning Conduct detailed Engineering Analysis. Develop Phase I project.	\$72,200		\$43,800	\$116,000	2007	Radford
30	Pulaski County	Business Technology Park To renovate/develop the old St. Albans property.		\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000	2010	Radford University
30	Pulaski	Downtown Pulaski Revitalization Project To revitalize physically and economically the central business district through a storefront improvement program, a housing program, and a telecommunications program.		\$1,940,000	\$1,625,500	\$3,600,000	2006	Pulaski Town
30	NRV	NRV Airport Runway Overlay Strengthening of runway to enable use by heavier aircraft.	\$1,960,000		\$40,000	\$2,000,000	2008	Airport Commission
30	NRV	Parallel Taxiway To provide taxiway parallel to runway and offer an opportunity to provide air access to the Industrial Park (NRV Commerce Park).	\$5,880,000		\$120,000	\$6,000,000	2007	Airport Commission
30	Floyd County	Jacksonville Center Amphitheater & Residential Craft School The Jacksonville Center will continue development of its campus, including the residential craft school and the amphitheater.	\$250,000			\$250,000	2006	Jacksonville Center, Inc.
29	NRV	Business and Industrial Revolving Loan Fund Provide funding for business and industrial fixed asset financing.	\$50,000		\$50,000	\$100,000	2008	NRVDC
29	NRV	TransDominion Express - Capital Costs A statewide project to provide passenger rail transportation from Bristol through the New River Valley, and on to Richmond and Washington, D.C.		\$9,300,000		\$9,300,000	2008	VA Department of Rail and Public Transportation
28	Christiansburg	Christiansburg Institute The Black Educational Experience, Cultural Learning Curriculum, Oral History, and Site preservation.	\$1,500,000		\$1,500,000	\$3,000,000	2007	Christiansburg Institute
28	Floyd County	Rocky Knob Interpretive Ctr. & Lodge, Reg. Collaborative (Floyd Co) A bi-county commission is working on the development of a major tourism destination along the Blue Ridge Parkway. A lodge and interpretive center are planned.	\$5,000,000		\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000	2010	Rocky Knob
28	NRV	Link Road: Pulaski County and Blacksburg New road to connect industrial area to Blacksburg.	\$12,000,000	\$12,000,000		\$24,000,000	2015	VDOT Public/Private

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26	NRV	Communications Center Purchase telecommunications equipment to make the New River Valley Competitiveness Center a world-class telecommunications center.		\$30,000	\$30,000	\$60,000	2008	NRVDC
25	Pulaski	Maple Shade Business Plaza Develop an art/history museum complex/business plaza in downtown Pulaski.	\$1,000,000		\$3,000,000	\$4,000,000	2007	Town of Pulaski
25	NRV	Intermodal Transportation Center Further explore the possibility of developing an intermodal transportation site on under-utilized US Army property near Dublin, Virginia.	\$4,000,000		\$4,000,000	\$8,000,000	2009	VA's First/ATK
25	Dublin	Waterline Improvement Renovation To make waterline renovations.				\$4,147,145	2006	Dublin Town
25	Pearisburg	Riverbend Tank Tie-In Connect Town system to PSA Tank.				\$100,000	2007	Pearisburg Town
24	Pulaski	Restoration of Pulaski Theatre To restore the Pulaski Theatre.		\$750,000	\$250,000	\$1,000,000	2006	Pulaski Town
24	Giles County	Giles Industrial Incubator (Giles Co) A facility located in the Bostic Industrial Park.				\$3,000,000	2007	Giles County
24	NRV	Team Business Development of Companies.	\$500,000	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$1,000,000	2008	NRVDC
23	NRV	Regional Conference/Civic Center Determine feasibility and appropriate site for regional conference center.	\$7,000,000		\$8,000,000	\$15,000,000	2010	Virginia's First and Partners
23	Pearisburg	Downtown Pearisburg Revitalization Project To revitalize downtown Pearisburg.		\$700,000	\$180,000	\$880,000	2006	Pearisburg Town
23	Floyd County	Economic Development Marketing Program for Floyd County To include a detailed labor assessment, business analysis in targeted sector, and promotional program to generate visits to Floyd by prospects.	\$15,000	\$25,000	\$10,000	\$50,000	2007	Floyd County
23	NRV	Technology Magnet School: Workforce Development Designed to develop a specialized workforce in the NRV by providing advanced technology education to secondary schools. Federal funds will be used to purchase training equipment and construction of a facility.	\$4,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$8,000,000	2009	New River Community College & School Div's
23	Floyd County	Engineering Studies on Extending Water and Sewer to areas of Floyd Co. To study water and sewer extensions and to understand hydrogeologic systems resources. Include protecting critical recharge and well-head areas.	\$1,200,000	\$200,000	\$100,000	\$1,500,000	2008	Floyd County
23	Floyd	Town of Floyd Downtown Revitalization Facade Improvement Program; Re-use strategy for under-utilized buildings; Development of downtown parking facilities & stormwater detention areas.	\$3,951,357		\$248,643	\$2,500,000	2007	Floyd Town
22	Christiansburg	Christiansburg Aquatic Center Indoor swimming pool, etc.			\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000	2007	Christiansburg Town
22	NRV	New River Valley Development Revolving Loan Fund Fund to provide assistance for business and non-profit development.	\$25,000		\$25,000	\$50,000	2007	New River Valley Development Corporation
22	Pulaski County	Pulaski County Dispatch/Communications To upgrade Pulaski County's dispatch/communications system.				\$1,600,000	2007	Pulaski County
22	Pulaski County	Pulaski County Central Water and Sewer Water Project Phase I (Pulaski Co) To provide water and sewer to one mobile home park.	\$300,000			\$300,000	2007	Pulaski County

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22	Pulaski County	Pulaski County Central Water and Sewer Project Phase 2 (Pulaski Co) To provide water and sewer.	\$2,300,000			\$2,200,000	2007	Pulaski County
21	Floyd County	Jacksonville Center E-Commerce Project (Floyd Co) Establishment of an e-commerce catalog of crafts and products.				\$50,000	2007	Jacksonville Center, Inc.
21	Glen Lyn	Glen Lyn Housing Rehabilitation Project Housing rehabilitation to 26 housing units.		\$500,000	\$100,000	\$500,000	2006	Glen Lyn Town/CDBG
21	NRV	Connectivity of Trails, Regional Trail System Interconnect various local, state and federal trails to create a continuous network in southwest Virginia.	\$400,000		\$400,000	\$800,000	2010	Trail Operators
21	NRV	Regional Trails Conference (Spring)		\$6,000		\$6,000	2007	NRVPCD
21	Radford	McHarg School (Radford) McHarg Elem. School would be replaced with a new 58,092 sq. ft. facility.			\$7,042,244	\$7,042,244	2007	Radford
21	Radford	Radford High School Radford High School would be expanded by 1,280 sq. ft. to accommodate a Biology laboratory to meet Virginia Dept. of Education standards.			\$160,346	\$160,346	2008	Radford
21	Pulaski County	Highland Park Subdivision Sewer (Pulaski Co) Provide sewer services to 233 residences.	\$2,274,000			\$2,274,000	2007	Pulaski County
21	Radford	Industrial Park Development - Radford Corporate East Acquisition and development of new Industrial Park within City limits. Includes construction of roadway, sanitary sewer, waterline, landscaping, grading, surveying, etc.	\$800,000		\$800,000	\$1,600,000	2007	Radford
21	Pulaski County	Dublin Area Sewer Project To provide sewer to approximately 160 residences.	\$1,849,400		\$13,300	\$1,862,700	2007	Pulaski County
21	Radford	Belle Heth School (Radford) Would undergo a multi-phase renovation which would include upgrades to mechanicals, new additions, etc.			\$805,683	\$805,683	2007	Radford
21	Giles County	Route 100 South To provide water service to Ownie and Mutter subdivisions.	\$2,300,000			\$2,300,000	2006	Giles County
21	Giles County	Shute Hollow Water Extension (Giles Co) Extend water service to 39 residences.		\$300,000	\$100,000	\$400,000	2006	Giles County/CDBG
20	Blacksburg	Huckleberry Trail Extension Assist in the construction of the Huckleberry Trail extension from Prices Fork to Glade Road. Will connect the Hethwood Community to the Heritage Park and then link to the National Forest. Grading, site amenities, and surfacing are needed for this project.			\$100,000	\$100,000	2009	Town of Blacksburg
20	Giles County	Ingram Village Sewer (Giles Co) Put in sewer lines.	\$750,000		\$1,250,000	\$2,000,000	2008	Giles County
19	PDCs 1-4	Continuum of Care To address the needs of homeless and at-risk homeless persons in the region.	\$906,000	\$294,000		\$1,200,000	2008	State
19	NRV	New River Valley Park and Ride Lot Development Development of new park and ride facilities.	\$750,000	\$750,000		\$1,500,000	2010	VDOT
19	Radford	Radford CDBG Entitlement (Annual) Community Development, Housing, Infrastructure and Public Service funds for LMI residents of the City of Radford.	\$262,995			\$262,995	2007	City of Radford

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Score	Area	Description	Fed. \$	State \$	Local \$	Total Funding	Const. Date	Responsible Agency
19	Rich Creek	Rich Creek Downtown Enhancement Project Ensure the stability and success of downtown Rich Creek.		\$1,000,000	\$250,000	\$1,250,000	2008	Rich Creek Town
19	Pulaski County	Newbern Area Enhancements Creation of Wilderness Road Exhibit and other area enhancements.		\$53,387	\$21,613	\$75,000	2006-2007	Pulaski County
19	NRV	21st Century Secondary Education - Alternative School A facility providing regional instruction for alternative study.	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$8,000,000	\$12,000,000	2009	NRV School Divisions
19	Pulaski County	Pulaski County School Construction Renovate or replace facilities.			\$68,000,000	\$68,000,000	2005-10	Pulaski County
19	Radford	High Meadows Development (Radford) Improve the water system to include line work and a water tank.			\$806,000	\$806,000	2006	Radford
19	Floyd County	East Floyd Bypass Develop east Floyd industrial bypass.		\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$4,000,000	2008	Floyd County
18	Pulaski	Brownfields Redevelopment Redevelopment of existing industry and housing.	\$500,000		\$500,000	\$1,000,000	2007	Pulaski Town
18	Pearisburg	Whitt-Riverbend Park Trail Construct 1.1 mile loop trail and rest room.		\$60,000	\$20,000	\$80,000	2006	Pearisburg Town
18	NRV	Promote Agricultural Tourism Program to encourage farmers to evaluate agricultural tourism to enhance incomes.					2007	Virginia Tourism Corporation
18	Pulaski County	Route 100 Landscape Improvements	\$50,000			\$50,000	2006	Pulaski County
18	Blacksburg	Municipal Complex Expansion and Town Hall Renovations Will provide improved and expanded conference and public meeting space, office/work space, improved service delivery areas and civic space.			\$4,110,000	\$4,110,000	2010	Town of Blacksburg
18	Giles County	Eggleston Water Extension Phase 2 (Giles Co) Extend water service to 160 residences.	\$1,400,000			\$1,400,000	2007	Giles County
18	Giles County	Route 635 Water Extension (Giles Co) Provide public water to approximately 150 residents in the Big Stony Community of Giles County.	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000		\$3,000,000	2007	Giles County
18	Pulaski County	Replace Route 100 Back Creek Bridge	\$2,479,000			\$2,479,000	2011	VDOT
17	Pearisburg	Wenonah Avenue Pedestrian Gateway (Phase I) (Pearisburg) Extend sidewalks past existing bluffs to east of Town. Includes approximately 600 feet of new sidewalk and relocation of utilities.		\$180,000		\$180,000	2006	Pearisburg Town
17	Pearisburg	Wenonah Avenue Pedestrian Gateway (Phase II) (Pearisburg) Extend sidewalks to Giles High School; add lighting, signage and landscaping.		\$192,500		\$192,500	2006	Pearisburg Town
17	Pulaski County	Hiwassee Fire Department Expansion Add 1 fire bay, 1 rescue bay and community room.	\$50,000		\$450,000	\$500,000	2006	Pulaski County
17	Christiansburg	Christiansburg Sports Complex Multi-sport/activity center.			\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	2008	Christiansburg Town

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17	Pulaski	Hogan's Dam (Pulaski Town) To improve spillway to meet standards.				\$650,000	2007	Pulaski Town
17	Pulaski County	Claytor Lake Aquatic Restoration Project	\$1,320,000		\$770,000	\$2,090,000	2006-07	Pulaski County
17	Pearisburg	Pearisburg Wastewater System Plan PER to determine water loss cause.				\$25,000	2007	Pearisburg Town
17	Pulaski County	Riverbend Subdivision Sewer (Pulaski Co) Provide sewer services to 45 residences.	\$1,000,000			\$1,000,000	2008	Pulaski County
17	Pulaski County	Fairgrounds Area Sewer (Pulaski Co) Provide sewer to NRV Fairgrounds & 148 residences.	\$1,800,000			\$1,800,000	2007	Pulaski County
17	Radford	Passenger Rail Station in Radford To develop a passenger rail station in the City of Radford.				\$10,000,000	2010	Radford City
17	Giles County	Clendennin Water Extension (Giles Co) Provide public water to approximately 50 residents in the Clendennin community of Giles County.	\$2,000,000			\$2,000,000	2010	Giles County
17	Floyd County	Route 8 Improvements (South) (Floyd Co) Road improvements on Route 8 southbound from Floyd, South.		\$1,500,000		\$1,500,000	2012	VDOT
16	Radford	Public Safety Training Facility (Radford) A new facility would be located and developed to train fire and police personnel.			\$250,000	\$250,000	2009	Radford
16	Radford	Police Department (Radford) A new 20,000 sq. ft. building would be constructed to replace the aging Police/Public Safety building.			\$850,000	\$850,000	2009	Radford
16	Pearisburg	Pearisburg Fire Station Construct new fire station.				\$1,500,000	2009	Pearisburg Town
16	Pulaski	Calfee Park Renovations (Pulaski Town) Improvements to bring the facility up to baseball standards. Visitor dugouts, dressing rooms, and infrastructure improvements are needed.	\$1,000,000			\$1,000,000	2007	Pulaski Town
16	Radford	Aquatic Center (Radford) An indoor 25 meter 8 lane swimming pool would be constructed adjacent to the New Recreation Center.			\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	2009	Radford
16	Radford	Outdoor Swimming Pool (Radford) A new 25 meter outdoor swimming pool facility would be constructed next to the Radford Recreation Center.			\$1,800,000	\$1,800,000	2010	Radford
16	Radford	Bikeway/Walkway (Phase III) (Radford) Continue the development of the bikeway/walkway system from Connelly's Run to Wadsworth Street.			\$85,000	\$85,000	2007	Radford
16	Floyd County	Multi-Use Facility in the Floyd Regional Commerce Center	\$1,700,000	\$1,000,000	\$500,000	\$3,200,000	2008	Floyd County
16	Floyd County	Marketing Floyd County Regional Commerce Center As a locality that already has advanced telecommunications infrastructure, access to higher education opportunities, available and affordable workforce, and available industrial space, Floyd County is seeking funding to create a model of promotion for Southwest Virginia.			\$60,000	\$60,000	2007	Floyd County
16	Radford	Radford Gateway/Electronic Sign An electronic message board at the intersection of West Main Street and Memorial Bridge to provide community information. An extensive landscape plan is a part of the project.			\$118,000	\$118,000	2006	Radford

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16	NRV	Promote Civil War Historical Sites To promote civil war historical sites throughout the NRV.					2012	New River Travel Alliance
16	NRV	Wilderness Road Initiative Develop a brochure and map for auto tours of attractions.					2008	New River Community Partners
16	Christiansburg	Passenger Rail Station in Christiansburg To develop a passenger rail station in the Town of Christiansburg.					2008	Christiansburg Town
15	NRV	Create Formal Regional Leadership Organization Create formal leadership organization, hold community awareness workshop, and establish certified leadership development program.					2007	Leadership Organizations
14	Blacksburg	Rescue Squad Station Replacement To replace the current station on Progress Street. Presently not equipt to handle new ambulances and other specialized equipment. Does not meet current ADA access requirements.			\$1,625,000	\$1,625,000	2011	Town of Blacksburg
14	Radford	Bisset Park Restrooms (Radford) New restrooms would be constructed at Bisset Park and open year round.			\$75,000	\$75,000	2006	Radford
14	Radford	East Radford Fire Station An east radford fire station would be constructed with three bays, offices and parking.			\$450,000	\$450,000	2008	Radford
14	Pulaski County	Pulaski Health Department Facility New building for Pulaski Health Dept.	\$750,000	\$1,250,000	\$1,250,000	\$2,500,000	2007	Pulaski County
14	Dublin	Dublin Fire Department Expansion To add two bays.				\$750,000	2008	Dublin Town/Pulaski County
14	Pearisburg	Whitt-Riverbend Park Development Phase II Development of public park on 27.7 acres of land with 1.75 miles frontage on Walker Creek and the New River. Site will include primitive camping, picnic areas, hiking, fishing, and improved road access.				\$250,000	2008	Pearisburg
14	Pulaski	The New River Trail Extension Extend trail from Cool Springs to Xaley facility.				\$200,000	2006	Pulaski Town
14	Floyd County	Trail Around Floyd Commerce Center To develop a walking trail around the new Commerce Center in Floyd.				\$400,000	2008	Floyd County
13	NRV	Youth Planning Council Involve youth in discussing regional development issues.	\$10,000		\$10,000	\$20,000	2008	NRVPDC
13	Radford	Municipal Building Upgrade (Radford) Heating, Air Conditioning and electrical systems would be upgraded.			\$100,000	\$100,000	2006	Radford
12	Radford	Addition to Radford Public Library Additional space to include a youth room, genealogy center, and technology center.			\$380,000	\$380,000	2008	Radford
12	Pulaski County	Pulaski County Library System To purchase and install automation software.	\$80,000			\$80,000	2006	Pulaski County
12	Radford	Amphitheater for Radford City A 200-500 seat amphitheater would be constructed for outdoor events. Would include engineering and construction.			\$100,000	\$100,000	2007	Radford City

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Pulaski	Downtown Pulaski Revitalization Project To revitalize physically and economically the central business district through a storefront improvement program, a housing program, and a telecommunications program.	\$3,600,000	2006	Pulaski Town
Floyd County	Jacksonville Center Amphitheater & Residential Craft School The Jacksonville Center will continue development of its campus, including the residential craft school and the amphitheater.	\$250,000	2006	Jacksonville Center, Inc.
Dublin	Waterline Improvement Renovation To make waterline renovations.	\$4,147,145	2006	Dublin Town
Pulaski	Restoration of Pulaski Theatre To restore the Pulaski Theatre.	\$1,000,000	2006	Pulaski Town
Pearisburg	Downtown Pearisburg Revitalization Project To revitalize downtown Pearisburg.	\$880,000	2006	Pearisburg Town
Glen Lyn	Glen Lyn Housing Rehabilitation Project Housing rehabilitation to 26 housing units.	\$500,000	2006	Glen Lyn Town/CDBG
Giles County	Route 100 South To provide water service to Ownie and Mutter subdivisions.	\$2,300,000	2006	Giles County
Giles County	Shute Hollow Water Extension (Giles Co) Extend water service to 39 residences.	\$400,000	2006	Giles County/CDBG
Radford	High Meadows Development (Radford) Improve the water system to include line work and a water tank.	\$806,000	2006	Radford
Pearisburg	Whitt-Riverbend Park Trail Construct 1.1 mile loop trail and rest room.	\$80,000	2006	Pearisburg Town
Pulaski County	Route 100 Landscape Improvements	\$50,000	2006	Pulaski County
Pearisburg	Wenonah Avenue Pedestrian Gateway (Phase I) (Pearisburg) Extend sidewalks past existing bluffs to east of Town. Includes approximately 600 feet of new sidewalk and relocation of utilities.	\$180,000	2006	Pearisburg Town
Pearisburg	Wenonah Avenue Pedestrian Gateway (Phase II) (Pearisburg) Extend sidewalks to Giles High School; add lighting, signage and landscaping.	\$192,500	2006	Pearisburg Town
Pulaski County	Hiwassee Fire Department Expansion Add 1 fire bay, 1 rescue bay and community room.	\$500,000	2006	Pulaski County
Radford	Radford Gateway/Electronic Sign An electronic message board at the intersection of West Main Street and Memorial Bridge to provide community information. An extensive landscape plan is a part of the project.	\$118,000	2006	Radford

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Radford	Bisset Park Restrooms (Radford) New restrooms would be constructed at Bisset Park and open year round.	\$75,000	2006	Radford
Pulaski	The New River Trail Extension Extend trail from Cool Springs to Xaloy facility.	\$200,000	2006	Pulaski Town
Radford	Municipal Building Upgrade (Radford) Heating, Air Conditioning and electrical systems would be upgraded.	\$100,000	2006	Radford
Pulaski County	Pulaski County Library System To purchase and install automation software.	\$80,000	2006	Pulaski County
Pulaski County	Bagging Plant Road Site Development Industrial access enhancement including connector to I-81.	\$3,000,000	2007	Virginia's First/ATK
NRV	NRV Community Regional Broadband Network Interconnect government facilities, schools, industrial parks, and in addition business and residents may be able to have advanced telecommunication services.	\$15,000,000	2007	NRV Wireless Authority
NRV	Regional Water System Plan, Phase 4 Planning Conduct detailed Engineering Analysis. Develop Phase I project.	\$116,000	2007	Radford
NRV	Parallel Taxiway To provide taxiway parallel to runway and offer an opportunity to provide air access to the Industrial Park (NRV Commerce Park).	\$6,000,000	2007	Airport Commission
Christiansburg	Christiansburg Institute The Black Educational Experience, Cultural Learning Curriculum, Oral History, and Site preservation.	\$3,000,000	2007	Christiansburg Institute
Pulaski	Maple Shade Business Plaza Develop an art/history museum complex/business plaza in downtown Pulaski.	\$4,000,000	2007	Town of Pulaski
Pearisburg	Riverbend Tank Tie-In Connect Town system to PSA Tank.	\$100,000	2007	Pearisburg Town
Giles County	Giles Industrial Incubator (Giles Co) A facility located in the Bostic Industrial Park.	\$3,000,000	2007	Giles County
Floyd County	Economic Development Marketing Program for Floyd County To include a detailed labor assessment, business analysis in targeted sector, and promotional program to generate visits to Floyd by prospects.	\$50,000	2007	Floyd County
Floyd	Town of Floyd Downtown Revitalization Facade Improvement Program; Re-use strategy for under-utilized buildings; Development of downtown parking facilities & stormwater detention areas.	\$2,500,000	2007	Floyd Town
Christiansburg	Christiansburg Aquatic Center Indoor swimming pool, etc.	\$4,000,000	2007	Christiansburg Town

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NRV	New River Valley Development Revolving Loan Fund Fund to provide assistance for business and non-profit development.	\$50,000	2007	New River Valley Development Corporation
Pulaski County	Pulaski County Dispatch/Communications To upgrade Pulaski County's dispatch/communications system.	\$1,600,000	2007	Pulaski County
Pulaski County	Pulaski County Central Water and Sewer Project Phase I (Pulaski Co) To provide water and sewer to one mobile home park.	\$300,000	2007	Pulaski County
Pulaski County	Pulaski County Central Water and Sewer Project Phase 2 (Pulaski Co) To provide water and sewer.	\$2,200,000	2007	Pulaski County
Floyd County	Jacksonville Center E-Commerce Project (Floyd Co) Establishment of an e-commerce catalog of crafts and products.	\$50,000	2007	Jacksonville Center, Inc.
NRV	Regional Trails Conference (Spring)	\$6,000	2007	NRVPDC
Radford	McHarg School (Radford) McHarg Elem. School would be replaced with a new 58,092 sq. ft. facility.	\$7,042,244	2007	Radford
Pulaski County	Highland Park Subdivision Sewer (Pulaski Co) Provide sewer services to 233 residences.	\$2,274,000	2007	Pulaski County
Radford	Industrial Park Development - Radford Corporate East Acquisition and development of new Industrial Park within City limits. Includes construction of roadway, sanitary sewer, waterline, landscaping, grading, surveying, etc.	\$1,600,000	2007	Radford
Pulaski County	Dublin Area Sewer Project To provide sewer to approximately 160 residences.	\$1,862,700	2007	Pulaski County
Radford	Belle Heth School (Radford) Would undergo a multi-phase renovation which would include upgrades to mechanicals, new additions, etc.	\$805,683	2007	Radford
Radford	Radford CDBG Entitlement (Annual) Community Development, Housing, Infrastructure and Public Service funds for LMI residents of the City of Radford.	\$262,995	2007	City of Radford
Pulaski	Brownfields Redevelopment Redevelopment of existing industry and housing.	\$1,000,000	2007	Pulaski Town
NRV	Promote Agricultural Tourism Program to encourage farmers to evaluate agricultural tourism to enhance incomes.		2007	Virginia Tourism Corporation
Giles County	Eggleston Water Extension Phase 2 (Giles Co) Extend water service to 160 residences.	\$1,400,000	2007	Giles County

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Giles County	Route 635 Water Extension (Giles Co) Provide public water to approximately 150 residents in the Big Stony Community of Giles County.	\$3,000,000	2007	Giles County
Pulaski	Hogan's Dam (Pulaski Town) To improve spillway to meet standards.	\$650,000	2007	Pulaski Town
Pearisburg	Pearisburg Wastewater System Plan PER to determine water loss cause.	\$25,000	2007	Pearisburg Town
Pulaski County	Fairgrounds Area Sewer (Pulaski Co) Provide sewer to NRV Fairgrounds & 148 residences.	\$1,800,000	2007	Pulaski County
Pulaski	Coffee Park Renovations (Pulaski Town) Improvements to bring the facility up to baseball standards. Visitor dugouts, dressing rooms, and infrastructure improvements are needed.	\$1,000,000	2007	Pulaski Town
Radford	Bikeway/Walkway (Phase III) (Radford) Continue the development of the bikeway/walkway system from Connelly's Run to Wadsworth Street.	\$85,000	2007	Radford
Floyd County	Marketing Floyd County Regional Commerce Center As a locality that already has advanced telecommunications infrastructure, access to higher education opportunities, available and affordable workforce, and available industrial space, Floyd County is seeking funding to create a model of promotion for Southwest Virginia.	\$60,000	2007	Floyd County
NRV	Create Formal Regional Leadership Organization Create formal leadership organization, hold community awareness workshop, and establish certified leadership development program.		2007	Leadership Organizations
Pulaski County	Pulaski Health Department Facility New building for Pulaski Health Dept.	\$2,500,000	2007	Pulaski County
Radford	Amphitheater for Radford City A 200-500 seat amphitheater would be constructed for outdoor events. Would include engineering and construction.	\$100,000	2007	Radford City
NRV	New River Valley Commerce Park-Water and Sewer Project To provide water and sewer and support other economic development.	\$10,000,000	2008	Virginia's First
Pulaski County	Radford Army Ammunition Plant Infrastructure Improvements Water, sewer, road, and rail upgrades at the New River site.	\$36,000,000	2008	ATK/Virginia's First
NRV	NRV Airport Runway Overlay Strengthening of runway to enable use by heavier aircraft.	\$2,000,000	2008	Airport Commission
NRV	Business and Industrial Revolving Loan Fund Provide funding for business and industrial fixed asset financing.	\$100,000	2008	NRVDC

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NRV	TransDominion Express - Capital Costs A statewide project to provide passenger rail transportation from Bristol through the New River Valley, and on to Richmond and Washington, D.C.	\$9,300,000	2008	VA Department of Rail and Public Transportation
NRV	Communications Center Purchase telecommunications equipment to make the New River Valley Competitiveness Center a world-class telecommunications center.	\$60,000	2008	NRVDC
NRV	Team Business Development of Companies.	\$1,000,000	2008	NRVPDC
Floyd County	Engineering Studies on Extending Water and Sewer to areas of Floyd Co. To study water and sewer extensions and to understand hydrogeologic systems resources. Include protecting critical recharge and well-head areas.	\$1,500,000	2008	Floyd County
Radford	Radford High School Radford High School would be expanded by 1,280 sq. ft. to accommodate a Biology laboratory to meet Virginia Dept. of Education standards.	\$160,346	2008	Radford
Giles County	Ingram Village Sewer (Giles Co) Put in sewer lines.	\$2,000,000	2008	Giles County
PDCs 1-4	Continuum of Care To address the needs of homeless and at-risk homeless persons in the region.	\$1,200,000	2008	State
Rich Creek	Rich Creek Downtown Enhancement Project Ensure the stability and success of downtown Rich Creek.	\$1,250,000	2008	Rich Creek Town
Floyd County	East Floyd Bypass Develop east Floyd industrial bypass.	\$4,000,000	2008	Floyd County
Christiansburg	Christiansburg Sports Complex Multi-sport/activity center.	\$2,500,000	2008	Christiansburg Town
Pulaski County	Riverbend Subdivision Sewer (Pulaski Co) Provide sewer services to 45 residences.	\$1,000,000	2008	Pulaski County
Floyd County	Multi-Use Facility in the Floyd Regional Commerce Center Wilderness Road Initiative Develop a brochure and map for auto tours of attractions.	\$3,200,000	2008	Floyd County
NRV	Passenger Rail Station in Christiansburg To develop a passenger rail station in the Town of Christiansburg.		2008	New River Community Partners Christiansburg Town
Radford	East Radford Fire Station An east radford fire station would be constructed with three bays, offices and parking.	\$450,000	2008	Radford
Dublin	Dublin Fire Department Expansion To add two bays.	\$750,000	2008	Dublin Town/Pulaski County

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Pearisburg	Whitt-Riverbend Park Development Phase II Development of public park on 27.7 acres of land with 1.75 miles frontage on Walker Creek and the New River. Site will include primitive camping, picnic areas, hiking, fishing, and improved road access.	\$250,000	2008	Pearisburg
Floyd County	Trail Around Floyd Commerce Center To develop a walking trail around the new Commerce Center in Floyd.	\$400,000	2008	Floyd County
NRV	Youth Planning Council Involve youth in discussing regional development issues.	\$20,000	2008	NRVPDC
Radford	Addition to Radford Public Library Additional space to include a youth room, genealogy center, and technology center.	\$380,000	2008	Radford
NRV	Route 114 Bridge To replace the Route 114 bridge that has structural damage.	\$20,000,000	2009	VDOT
NRV	Intermodal Transportation Center Further explore the possibility of developing an intermodal transportation site on under-utilized US Army property near Dublin, Virginia.	\$8,000,000	2009	VA's First/ATK
NRV	Technology Magnet School; Workforce Development Designed to develop a specialized workforce in the NRV by providing advanced technology education to secondary schools. Federal funds will be used to purchase training equipment and construction of a facility.	\$8,000,000	2009	New River Community College & School Div's
Blacksburg	Huckleberry Trail Extension Assist in the construction of the Huckleberry Trail extension from Prices Fork to Glade Road. Will connect the Hethwood Community to the Heritage Park and then link to the National Forest. Grading, site amenities, and surfacing are needed for this project.	\$100,000	2009	Town of Blacksburg
NRV	21st Century Secondary Education - Alternative School A facility providing regional instruction for alternative study.	\$12,000,000	2009	NRV School Divisions
Radford	Public Safety Training Facility (Radford) A new facility would be located and developed to train fire and police personnel.	\$250,000	2009	Radford
Radford	Police Department (Radford) A new 20,000 sq. ft. building would be constructed to replace the aging Police/Public Safety building.	\$850,000	2009	Radford
Pearisburg	Pearisburg Fire Station Construct new fire station.	\$1,500,000	2009	Pearisburg Town
Radford	Aquatic Center (Radford) An indoor 25 meter 8 lane swimming pool would be constructed adjacent to the New Recreation Center.	\$3,000,000	2009	Radford

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Pulaski County	Business Technology Park To renovate/develop the old St. Albans property.	\$10,000,000	2010	Radford University
Floyd County	Rocky Knob Interpretive Ctr. & Lodge, Reg. Collaborative (Floyd Co) A bi-county commission is working on the development of a major tourism destination along the Blue Ridge Parkway. A lodge and interpretive center are planned.	\$10,000,000	2010	Rocky Knob
NRV	Regional Conference/Civic Center Determine feasibility and appropriate site for regional conference center.	\$15,000,000	2010	Virginia's First and Partners
NRV	Connectivity of Trails, Regional Trail System Interconnect various local, state and federal trails to create a continuous network in southwest Virginia.	\$800,000	2010	Trail Operators
NRV	New River Valley Park and Ride Lot Development Development of new park and ride facilities.	\$1,500,000	2010	VDOT
Blacksburg	Municipal Complex Expansion and Town Hall Renovations Will provide improved and expanded conference and public meeting space, office/work space, improved service delivery areas and civic space.	\$4,110,000	2010	Town of Blacksburg
Radford	Passenger Rail Station in Radford To develop a passenger rail station in the City of Radford.	\$10,000,000	2010	Radford City
Giles County	Clendennin Water Extension (Giles Co) Provide public water to approximately 50 residents in the Clendennin community of Giles County.	\$2,000,000	2010	Giles County
Radford	Outdoor Swimming Pool (Radford) A new 25 meter outdoor swimming pool facility would be constructed next to the Radford Recreation Center.	\$1,800,000	2010	Radford
Pulaski County	Replace Route 100 Back Creek Bridge	\$2,479,000	2011	VDOT
Blacksburg	Rescue Squad Station Replacement To replace the current station on Progress Street. Presently not equipt to handle new ambulances and other specialized equipment. Does not meet current ADA access requirements.	\$1,625,000	2011	Town of Blacksburg
Floyd County	Route 8 Improvements (South) (Floyd Co) Road Improvements on Route 8 southbound from Floyd, South.	\$1,500,000	2012	VDOT
NRV	Promote Civil War Historical Sites To promote civil war historical sites throughout the NRV.		2012	New River Travel Alliance
NRV	Link Road: Pulaski County and Blacksburg New road to connect industrial area to Blacksburg.	\$24,000,000	2015	VDOT Public/Private

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Pulaski County	Pulaski County School Construction Renovate or replace facilities.	\$68,000,000	2005-2010	Pulaski County
Pulaski County	Claytor Lake Aquatic Restoration Project	\$2,090,000	2006-2007	Pulaski County
Pulaski County	Newbern Area Enhancements Creation of Wilderness Road Exhibit and other area enhancements.	\$75,000	2006-2007	Pulaski County

Additional Concepts for Future Development

Though many projects exist to support the identified Goals and Objectives, there are also supporting concepts that do not have specific projects yet. This section outlines some of those concepts. Many of these projects comprise an economic development approach that links directly into the *Community First* goals of having an optimum level of employment; an income level equal to or better than the state's average; and a beneficial living environment.

Leadership

The Leadership category highlights opportunities in the New River Valley for promoting and sustaining leadership development and engagement in our local and regional community. The following concepts do not currently have an active project associated with them but are in the process of partnership and timeline development.

Youth Business and Civic Leadership Development:

Provide hands-on training and mentoring opportunities through business and civic organizational partners in the program.

Youth Leadership Recognition Program:

Create award/program that recognizes and rewards youth leadership efforts in the civic and business sectors of the region.

Community Awareness Workshop for Elected Officials:

Establish short course for elected officials and corporate leaders highlighting community development issues and opportunities.

Economic Development

The arena of economic development showcases the New River Valley's approach to creating a sustainable, diverse local economy that is also globally competitive. The following concepts do not currently have a project associated with them but eventually will in the future.

Niche Development for Downtowns:

Define downtown niches for cooperative marketing of unique characteristics of NRV downtowns.

Niche Farming:

Agri-tourism for a regional community of farmers.

Sustainable Agriculture:

Feasibility Studies of agro-tourism and providing outlets for locally-produced dairy products.

Explore approaches to expand public/private partnerships:

There are increasing pressures for the development of public/private partnerships to expand the public assistance in providing basic infrastructure to a more active role in the development of

corporations. The cost and risk involved in the formation of corporations has entrepreneurs seeking business acceleration assistance from the public sector. Defining and legitimizing this role is requiring innovation in establishing such partnerships.

Education & Training

In the area of Education and Training, the NRV has reached the critical point of needing to support workforce development, as unemployment rates are relatively low. With the budget crisis at the state and federal levels creating great inequities in educational service delivery, it is crucial that the New River Valley strategic plan for local educational advancement for building a workforce for the global economy here at home.

Address the teacher shortage:

Develop incentives in collaboration with local governments, school boards and business sector to attract and retain qualified teachers to this area.

Address education funding:

Seek public/private partnerships and regional collaborations to offset state under-funding of education.

Regional Educational System:

Create New River Valley collaborative model to address alternative, advance placement and adult education needs in the region.

Health & Human Development

Health and human development put a personal face on the region's approach to supporting its citizens.

Evaluate and Pilot Human Service Delivery Programs:

Using higher education partners in the region, assess service delivery in the New River Valley and develop model for effective and efficient delivery.

Quarterly Agency/Community Sessions:

Create forum for community and human service agencies to gather and strategize ideas for higher efficacy in service delivery and agency/client interface.

Natural & Cultural Environment

The Natural and Cultural projects represent the importance our citizens place on the often intangible aspects of quality of life that can make a place one that people are proud to call home.

Adopt-a-Stream:

Support for state-run program.

Baseline Wildlife & Habitat Inventory:

Build baseline landscape-level wildlife species and habitat inventory for the greater New River watershed.

Citizens' Water Atlas:

Develop a database for water resources, including threats in the watershed.

Compliance Study of Erosion and Sedimentation Control Practices:

Examine compliance rates of erosion/sedimentation control practices.

Erosion Control:

Educate landowners on erosion control and restore eroded areas.

Support and Promote Christiansburg Institute:

Assist in funding and program development to support this important historic and cultural asset of the region.

Regional-link Trail System:

Create prioritized map of trail connections to link all alternative transportation pathways in the New River Valley.

Physical Infrastructure

A sound physical infrastructure is the base on which all other projects are built. There are many needs in the area of physical infrastructure including **water and sewer** as well as **technology** infrastructure. Beyond these needs, additional concepts for physical infrastructure are listed below.

Bikeway Network:

Plan and create a network of bikeways through the NRV that connects towns, scenic areas, and historic areas.

Regional Civic/Convention Center:

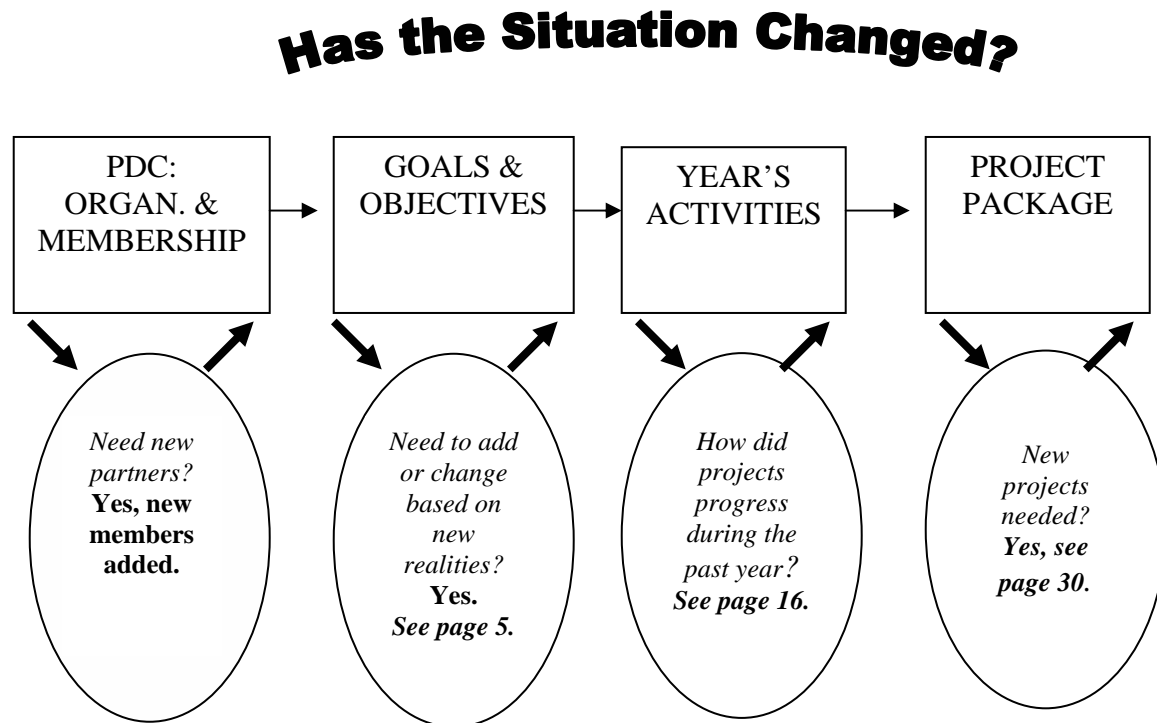
Create event/conference center to provide space for large attractions and events.

EVALUATION: AN INTEGRATED APPROACH

As is apparent throughout this document, evaluation is an integrated part of the CEDS process. Given the continuous nature of this planning process, integration of evaluation into every step is one method of assuring a self-adjusting, constantly “fresh” plan and process. (See Figure 2) Important questions that are asked along the way as part of a feedback loop include:

- ❑ Has the situation changed?
- ❑ Are new partners needed?
- ❑ Do Goals, Objectives, and Projects need to be changed in light of current Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT)?

Figure 2:
Evaluation: An Integrated Part of the Continuous Planning Process



Evaluating Completed Projects

Following completion of a project, it is desirable to measure the effectiveness of the project and more specifically the return for the money spent. While larger goals such as a diversified economy, higher wages/incomes and improved quality of life are not easily detectable as they may be affected by most single projects, there are measurable related outputs. These include data such as number of jobs created and amount of private investment generated directly and indirectly. Please see **Project Evaluations**, Appendix IV.

Cautions and Concerns

While this is a straightforward query, answers are not so simple nor easily obtained. These projects do not take place in a laboratory where all external factors are controlled; rather each project is but one small part of countless variables in a huge picture that is the global economy. Moreover, the sum of a program of well-developed, mutually supporting projects is much greater than the sum of the parts.

For example, singularly developing a Regional Educational System to address alternative and advanced placement students needs regionally would not necessarily help incomes or unemployment in the region. Singularly developing a large Commerce Park to attract high tech industry will not help local economies if it sets idle. However, if a well-trained, well-educated work force is developed and physical space and infrastructure is available to high tech firms simultaneously, the likely of significant positives outcomes is great. Therefore, a truly integrated economic development strategy with multi-dimensional projects and components cannot be accurately measured in a single dimension. A means of simultaneously measuring relationships and synergies must be developed. A better question in many instances may be, “Is a good new piece of the puzzle now in place?”

Another difficulty in measuring outputs is that the timing is uncertain. In some cases, the greater the potential reward in the end, a longer timeframe may be required.

One of the most significant limiting factors in evaluation concerns the collection of data. To truly account for the success of a program would require tracking every single action and following that action to its subsequently induced actions and so forth. Even an attempt to keep track of “simple” items such as “jobs created” is a laborious process that takes time away from new project development, administration, etc. Evaluation and assessment is an important part of any project and in order to continue success and progress it must be built into every effort. Understanding the necessity of this effort and making it a seamless part of the project rather than something tacked on at the end is the goal of the integrated evaluation approach.

Lastly and related to the multi-dimensional discussion above, even if time is invested in tracking jobs and investments associated with a project, the data is not necessarily valid outside its immediate context. The whole purpose of a regional strategy is to recognize the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats within the region and to develop a unique program of projects for that situation. Unless the entire program is captured in a multi-dimensional way, the data is not well aggregated to the federal level.

Appendix I
Minutes of the New River Valley Planning District Commission

Appendix II
CEDS Committee Membership

**SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS
NEW RIVER VALLEY PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION MEMBERS
2005-2006**

REPRESENTATIVE	LOCALITY	EO	C	U	R	W	B	O	M	F	OCCUPATION	REPRESENTING
Gerald, Fred	Floyd County	X			X	X			X		Graphic Designer	Local Government
Janney, Evelyn			X		X	X				X	Farmer	Agriculture
Ingram, David		X			X	X			X		Chair BOS/Merchant/Farmer	Local Government
Light, Leon	Giles County		X		X	X			X		Merchant	Business
McCoy, Richard		X			X	X			X		Transportation and Packing	Local Government
Perkins, Annette	Montgomery County	X		X		X				X	School Administrator	Local Government
Harvey, Mike			X			X	X			X		Retired Telcom Planner
Owen, Tom	Pulaski County		X		X	X			X		Retired, Placement Officer	Workforce
Sheffey, Joe		X			X			X	X		Financial Aid/Chair BOS	Education/Local Gov.
Starnes, Thomas	City of Radford	X		X		X			X		Mayor/Business	Local Government
Harvey, Helen				X	X		X				X	Retired Professor
Leighton, A. T.	Town of Blacksburg	X		X		X			X		Retired Professor/Business	Local Government
Mease, Stuart				X	X		X			X		Personnel Officer
Barber, Michael	Town of Christiansburg	X		X		X			X		Banker	Local Government
Stipes, Brad				X	X		X			X		Engineer
Patton, Mike	Town of Floyd	X			X	X			X		Social Worker	Local Government
Skidmore, Richard	Town of Narrows	X			X	X			X		Retired	Local Government
Moses, Becky	Town of Pearisbug	X			X	X				X	Retired	Local Government
Talbert, Dan	Town of Pulaski	X		X		X			X		Engineer	Business
Weddle, Joe				X	X		X			X		Retired
French, Darlene	Town of Rich Creek	X			X	X				X	Mayor/Business	Local Government
Vacant	Radford University											
Dent, David	Virginia Tech		X	X		X			X		Civil Engineer	Education
Sullivan, Kevin				X	X		X			X		Lawyer
Percentages (Based on 24 members)		54%	42%	46%	50%	92%	4%	0%	75%	21%		

Weaver, Scott (Non-Voting)	Town of Christiansburg		X	X		X			X		Retired, Treasurer	Local Government
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EO = Elected Official
C = Citizen
U = Urban
R = Rural
W = White
B = Black
O = Other
M = Male
F = Female

Dr. A. T. Leighton, Jr.
Town of Blacksburg
711 Broce Drive, NW
Blacksburg, VA 24060

Mr. Thomas Starnes
City of Radford
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Radford, VA 24141

Mrs. Evelyn Janney
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366 Bethlehem Church Rd, NE
Floyd, VA 24091

Mr. Joe Weddle
Town of Pulaski
1201 Memorial Drive
Pulaski, VA 24301

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Montgomery County
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Blacksburg, VA 24060

Mr. Stuart Mease
Town of Blacksburg
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Christiansburg, VA 24073

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Dublin, VA 24084

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Town of Christiansburg
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Christiansburg, VA 24073

Ms. Darlene French
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Christiansburg, VA 24073

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Town of Pulaski
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Pulaski, VA 24301

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Narrows, VA 24124

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Copper Hill, VA 24079

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Town of Floyd
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Mr. Kevin Sullivan
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Blacksburg, VA 24060

Appendix III
Letters/Resolutions from Localities

Floyd County Board of Supervisors

P. O. Box 218

Floyd, Virginia

24091

March 20, 2006

Mr. David Rundgren, Executive Director
New River Valley Planning District Commission
6580 Valley Center Drive
Box 21
Radford, Virginia 24141

Dear Mr. Rundgren:

Re: Fiscal Year 2006-2007

Please accept this letter as Floyd County's expression of support for the New River Valley Planning District Commission's efforts to secure an EDA grant for the coming fiscal year. The Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) is vital to the continued economic growth of our region.

The New River Valley Planning District Commission assumes the lead role in helping this region prepare for the future by planning and promoting economic development including the writing of our region's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). I understand the Planning District Commission will be applying to the Economic Development Administration for funding assistance to help continue this vital role as lead planning agency for our region.

The County of Floyd is strongly supportive of this essential program. As we are too small to have a full planning department, the PDC serves as the only professional planning organization that we can rely upon. This service to our County is vital for the careful consideration of growth options before the fastest growing County in the New River Valley. The PDC assures that our planning needs are professionally addressed within a regional framework.

The County and I appreciate the services and professional support that is offered by the New River Valley Planning District Commission. If there is anything that the County or I can do to assist you in securing this important grant, please let me know. Again, thank you for your continued cooperation and assistance.

Sincerely,
COUNTY OF FLOYD



George W. Nester, CM, AICP
County Administrator

County of Giles



Board of Supervisors

315 North Main Street
Pearisburg, Virginia 24134

February 22, 2006

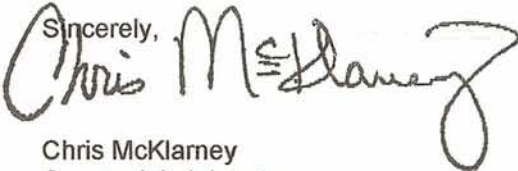
Mr. David W. Rundgren
Executive Director
New River Valley Planning District Commission
6850 Valley Center Drive, Box 21
Radford, VA 24141

Dear Mr. Rundgren:

The Giles County Board of Supervisors strongly endorses the economic development planning activities currently being conducted by the New River Planning District Commission. These efforts benefit all the county and municipal jurisdictions within our region and area, which are possible only as a result of the funding support received from the Economic Development Administration.

Support from the PDC is vital in the current development of a water project along the Route 100 corridor in Giles County. This project will allow us not only to serve the current residents, but will enable the county to provide infrastructure and promote industrial development along that corridor.

Thank you very much for your support of the citizens of Giles County. We look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,


Chris McKlarney
County Administrator

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OFFICE OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATION
MONTGOMERY COUNTY
B. CLAYTON GOODMAN, III, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

755 ROANOKE STREET, SUITE 2E, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA 24073-3181

March 20, 2006

David Rundgren, Executive Director
New River Valley Planning District Commission
6580 Valley Center Drive, Box 21
Radford, VA 24141

Dear Mr. Rundgren:

Please accept this letter as evidence of support on behalf of Montgomery County for the New River Valley Planning District Commission's effort to secure EDA Grant funding for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007.

The New River Valley Planning District Commission plays a vital role in providing assistance throughout the entire New River Valley region for purposes of future planning, the promotion of economic development initiatives and the writing of our region's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.

We understand the Planning District Commission will be applying to the EDA for funding assistance to continue the role as the lead training agency for the region.

Montgomery County is fully supportive of these essential programs.

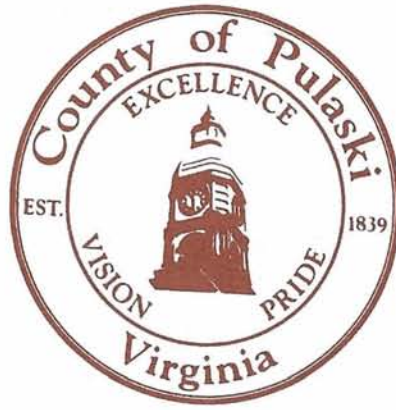
Sincerely,

B. Clayton Goodman, III
County Administrator

CG/jk

Administration

143 Third Street, NW, Suite 1
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540-980-7717
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March 29, 2006

Mr. David Rundgren
Executive Director
New River Valley Planning District Commission
6580 Valley Center Drive, Box 21
Radford, VA 24141

Dear Dave:

Pulaski County endorses local and regional projects on the enclosed listing, as amended. In addition, regional projects of particular interest include the formation of a regional water authority, the interconnection of the New River Trail with the Huckleberry Trail, and regional telecommunications funding.

The work of the New River Valley Planning District staff in compiling and seeking state and/or federal funding for these projects is much appreciated.

The key to the effective use of state and federal funds is the way in which localities throughout the region work together. The development, distribution and endorsement of this listing is an important part of that process.

Please let me know if you have any questions or comments regarding this endorsement.

Sincerely,

Peter M. Huber
County Administrator

PMH/gh

Enclosure



March 22, 2006

Mr. David W. Rundgren
Executive Director, NRVPCD
6580 Valley Center Drive, Box 21
Radford, Virginia 24141

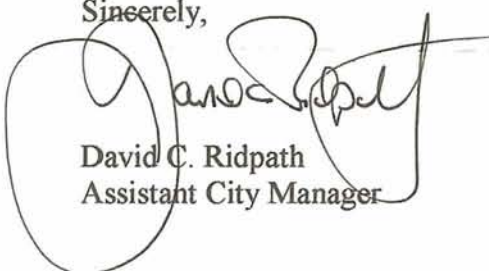
Dear Mr. Rundgren:

The City of Radford would like to convey to you its support of the economic development planning efforts of the New River Valley Planning District Commission, including preparation of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.

The Commission has been a strong supporter of regional economic development activities by serving as administrative staff to economic development organizations, maintaining the regional economic development related issues. It is for these reasons, as well as others, that we support the planning functions of the New River Valley Planning District Commission and its pursuit of grant funding from the Economic Development Administration.

If I can be of further assistance, please let me know.

Sincerely,



David C. Ridpath
Assistant City Manager

Appendix IV
Project Evaluations



Virginia's New River Valley Economic Development Projects

Project Introduction

Project Name		Award Type			
Regional Hazard Mitigation Planning		Mitigation Assistance Grant--Planning			
Award Number	Award Date	Award Period	Agency		
VA FMA-000-007	3/3/2002	3/3/02 - 11/1/04	FEMA/VA DEM		
Grants Officer	Recipient Name	Address			
Michael Pope	NRVPCD	6580 Valley Center Drive, Box 21			
City	State	Zip Code	Phone	Fax	E-mail
Radford	VA	24141	(540) 639-9313	(540) 831-6093	nrvpcd@nrvc.org
Contact Name	Contact Phone	Contact Fax	Contact E-mail		
Ali Whitaker	(540) 639-9313	(540) 831-6093	awhitaker@nrvc.org		
Project Description					
To develop a NRV Hazard Mitigation Plan to meet FEMA requirements for localities.					



Virginia's New River Valley Economic Development Projects

Project Information

Project Name Regional Hazard Mitigation Planning	Pre Application <input type="checkbox"/>	Pre App Date Submitted	Pre App Date Approved
Full Application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Full App Date Submitted 9/15/2001	Full App Date Approved 3/3/2002	

Budget

Federal Agency FEMA	Federal Share Approved \$49,772.00	Federal Share Final \$49,772.00
Recipient Name NRVPDC	Recipient Share Approved \$16,590.50	Recipient Share Final \$16,590.50
Local Agency	Local Funds Approved \$0.00	Local Funds Final \$0.00
State Agency	State Funds Approved \$0.00	State Funds Final \$0.00
Other Federal Agency	Other Federal Approved \$0.00	Other Federal Final \$0.00
Other Agency	Other Approved \$0.00	Other Final \$0.00
	Total Project Approved \$66,362.50	Total Project Final \$66,362.50



Virginia's New River Valley Economic Development Projects

Project Outcomes

Project Name
Regional Hazard Mitigation Planning

Additional Dollars Invested

Private Sector Add \$ Direct	Private Sector Add \$ Indirect
\$0.00	\$0.00
Local Public Add \$ Direct	Local Public Add \$ Indirect
\$0.00	\$0.00
State Add \$ Direct	State Add \$ Indirect
\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Federal Add \$ Direct	Other Federal Add \$ Indirect
\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Add \$ Direct	Total Add \$ Indirect
\$0.00	\$0.00

Increase in Local Real or Business Property Tax Base

Increase in Tax Base \$0.00 FEZ or E Located in State EZ

Local Capacity Anticipated and Actual Results

Weight (0-100%)		Actual Results (Rate of 1-10)		Summary
Infras Supp Private Invest Wt	0	Infras Supp PI Rate	0	0
Infras Stim Private Invest Wt	0	Infras Stim PI Rate	0	0
Stable Econ Base Wt	0	Stable Econ Base Rate	0	0
Diversify Local Econ Wt	0	Diversify Local Econ Rate	0	0
Other--specify	Other Wt	Other Rate	0	0
	0	0		
Total Wt				Total
0				0
Jobs Created				
Jobs Estimated	Actual Jobs 3 yrs	Actual Jobs 6 yrs	Jobs As of 5/06	
0	0	0	0	



Virginia's New River Valley Economic Development Projects

Project Status

Project Name	Date Announced	Administer Contract
Regional Hazard Mitigation Planning	3 /11/2002	Ali Whitaker

1st Drawdown	Final Drawdown
4/1/2002	11/1/2004

Project Schedule

Submit for pre-approval in April 2004—final adoption by November 1, 2004. Initial project removed 6 houses from the flood plain protecting 15 lives and preventing property damage in Pulaski Town.

Est Completion Date	Actual Completion Date
11/1 /2004	4 /15/2005

Project Status

Project is complete. Made available to propose \$75 million protection projects.	Bid Estimate	Actual Amount
	\$0.00	\$0.00

Begin Construction	Project Date/Actual	End Construction



Virginia's New River Valley Economic Development Projects

Project Introduction

Project Name		Award Type			
The Jacksonville Center		Federal Assistance-Construction			
Award Number	Award Date	Award Period	Agency		
			RD, ARCI, ARCII, VA DBA		
Grants Officer	Recipient Name	Address			
Steven Vaughn-USDA RD	Floyd Community Center for the Arts, Inc.	220 Parkway Lane S. Box 1			
City	State	Zip Code	Phone	Fax	E-mail
Floyd	VA	24091	(540) 745-2784		
Contact Name	Contact Phone	Contact Fax	Contact E-mail		
Lee Chichester	(540) 593-2011		falconer@swva.net		
Project Description					
Renovation of Jacksonville Center, a former dairy barn as a rural cultural business incubator.					



Virginia's New River Valley Economic Development Projects

Project Information

Project Name The Jacksonville Center	Pre Application <input type="checkbox"/>	Pre App Date Submitted	Pre App Date Approved
Full Application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Full App Date Submitted 5/23/2000	Full App Date Approved	

Budget

Federal Agency RD	Federal Share Approved \$171,600.00	Federal Share Final \$417,027.00
Recipient Name Floyd Community Center for the Arts, Inc.	Recipient Share Approved \$3,150.00	Recipient Share Final \$3,150.00
Local Agency Gov't	Local Funds Approved \$2,000.00	Local Funds Final \$2,000.00
State Agency Dept. of Business Assistance	State Funds Approved \$250,000.00	State Funds Final \$250,000.00
Other Federal Agency ARC/ARC II	Other Federal Approved \$229,000.00	Other Federal Final \$229,000.00
Other Agency	Other Approved \$0.00	Other Final \$0.00
	Total Project Approved \$655,750.00	Total Project Final \$901,177.00



Virginia's New River Valley Economic Development Projects

Project Outcomes

Project Name
The Jacksonville Center

Additional Dollars Invested

Private Sector Add \$ Direct	Private Sector Add \$ Indirect
\$0.00	\$0.00
Local Public Add \$ Direct	Local Public Add \$ Indirect
\$0.00	\$0.00
State Add \$ Direct	State Add \$ Indirect
\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Federal Add \$ Direct	Other Federal Add \$ Indirect
\$245,427.00	\$0.00
Total Add \$ Direct	Total Add \$ Indirect
\$245,427.00	\$0.00

Increase in Local Real or Business Property Tax Base

Increase in Tax Base: \$0.00
 FEZ or E:
 Located in State EZ:

Local Capacity Anticipated and Actual Results

Weight (0-100%)		Actual Results (Rate of 1-10)		Summary
Infras Supp Private Invest Wt	0	Infras Supp PI Rate	0	0
Infras Stim Private Invest Wt	0	Infras Stim PI Rate	0	0
Stable Econ Base Wt	0	Stable Econ Base Rate	0	0
Diversify Local Econ Wt	0	Diversify Local Econ Rate	0	0
Other--specify	Other Wt	Other Rate		0
	0	0		0
Total Wt				Total
0				0

Jobs Created

Jobs Estimated: 0
 Actual Jobs 3 yrs: 0
 Actual Jobs 6 yrs: 0
 Jobs As of 5/06: _____



Virginia's New River Valley Economic Development Projects

Project Status

Project Name The Jacksonville Center	Date Announced 	Administer Contract PDC Staff
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1st Drawdown 1/30/2003	Final Drawdown 9/12/2005
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Project Schedule
 4/2/02 Bid documents/specs to Rural Development for approval; 6/18/02-Bid opening; 11/14/02-RD approval of contract documents; 1/23/03-RD loan/grant closing, notice to proceed issued; 8/29/03-Partial substantial completion certificate and punch list issued on original project; 9/12/03-9/14/03-JVC celebrates with open house. 10/04 construction begins on roof component, studios and residence with substantial completion 7/28/05.

Est Completion Date 8 /21/2003	Actual Completion Date
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Project Status

Renovation of barn is complete. USDA RD approves a total of \$245,427 additional funds to fix roof and build a residence and build and equip studios for crafts school. Project completed 9/12/05.

Bid Estimate \$509,867.00	Actual Amount \$542,381.00
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Begin Construction 1 /23/2003	Project Date/Actual 	End Construction 7 /28/2005
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Virginia's New River Valley Economic Development Projects

Project Introduction

Project Name		Award Type			
VT KnowledgeWorks		Construction Grant			
Award Number	Award Date	Award Period	Agency		
01-01-07685	8/31/2002	August 31, 2002-2005 (3 years)	EDA		
Grants Officer	Recipient Name	Address			
	VT Foundation	1872 Pratt Drive, Ste. 1000			
City	State	Zip Code	Phone	Fax	E-mail
Blacksburg	VA	24060	(540) 961-3600	(540) 961-2304	same as below
Contact Name	Contact Phone	Contact Fax	Contact E-mail		
Joe Meredith	(540) 961-3600	(540) 961-2304	joe.meredith@vt.crc.com		
Project Description					
40,000 square foot business accelerator to commercialize selected research projects.					



Virginia's New River Valley Economic Development Projects

Project Information

Project Name VT KnowledgeWorks	Pre Application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pre App Date Submitted 3/14/2002	Pre App Date Approved 4/10/2002
Full Application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Full App Date Submitted 5/10/2002	Full App Date Approved 8/31/2002	

Budget

Federal Agency EDA	Federal Share Approved \$2,000,000.00	Federal Share Final \$0.00
Recipient Name VT Foundation	Recipient Share Approved \$3,900,000.00	Recipient Share Final \$0.00
Local Agency	Local Funds Approved \$0.00	Local Funds Final \$0.00
State Agency	State Funds Approved \$0.00	State Funds Final \$0.00
Other Federal Agency	Other Federal Approved \$0.00	Other Federal Final \$0.00
Other Agency	Other Approved \$0.00	Other Final \$0.00
	Total Project Approved \$5,900,000.00	Total Project Final \$0.00



Virginia's New River Valley Economic Development Projects

Project Outcomes

Project Name
 VT KnowledgeWorks

Additional Dollars Invested

Private Sector Add \$ Direct	Private Sector Add \$ Indirect
\$0.00	\$0.00
Local Public Add \$ Direct	Local Public Add \$ Indirect
\$0.00	\$0.00
State Add \$ Direct	State Add \$ Indirect
\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Federal Add \$ Direct	Other Federal Add \$ Indirect
\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Add \$ Direct	Total Add \$ Indirect
\$0.00	\$0.00

Increase in Local Real or Business Property Tax Base

Increase in Tax Base: \$0.00
 FEZ or E:
 Located in State EZ:

Local Capacity Anticipated and Actual Results

Weight (0-100%)		Actual Results (Rate of 1-10)		Summary
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Diversify Local Econ Wt	0	Diversify Local Econ Rate	0	0
Other--specify	Other Wt	Other Rate	0	0
	0	0		
Total Wt				Total
0				0
Jobs Created				
Jobs Estimated	Actual Jobs 3 yrs	Actual Jobs 6 yrs	Jobs As of 5/06	
34	0	0	16	



Virginia's New River Valley Economic Development Projects

Project Status

Project Name	Date Announced	Administer Contract
VT KnowledgeWorks	8 /31/2002	Kay Hunnings

1st Drawdown	Final Drawdown
11/19/2004	12/7/2005

Project Schedule
Construction began 2/5/04; Completed 3/4/05

Est Completion Date	Actual Completion Date
	3 /4 /2005

Project Status

Construction began 2/5/04 and was completed 3/4/05	Bid Estimate	Actual Amount
	\$4,823,800.00	\$4,898,850.00

Begin Construction	Project Date/Actual	End Construction
2 /5 /2004	2 /5 /2004	3 /5 /2005