

Partnering for a Better Economy



What the EDC does WE SUPPORT PRIMARY-SECTOR GROWTH

Our goal is primary-sector job creation. We support recruitment, retention and expansion of primary-sector companies. Primary-sector companies export a majority of their goods and services outside the trade area and bring new wealth into the region. Companies like John Deere Electronic Solutions, Microsoft and Bobcat that choose to do work here when they could choose any market in the world. www.gfmedc.com

The EDC partners with the Grand Forks EDC and Red River Valley business leaders to impact public policy in ND and Minn.

The EDC partners with The Chamber to drive discussions and implementation of critical issues affecting our region.

The EDC has been a lead funder of Emerging Prairie, raising our hand in support from their beginning. We continue to support their mission with time and resources.

Valley Prosperity Partnership (VPP)

REPRESENTS BUSINESS LEADERS ALONG THE RED RIVER VALLEY SUPPORTING STATEWIDE BUSINESS FRIENDLY LEGISLATION

From north of Grand Forks to Wahpeton, business leaders, representing more than 26,000 employees, are focused on statewide legislation like workforce development, water security and university research. While they target several key pieces of legislation in a session, they always focus on ways to make doing business easier.



www.valleyprosperitypartnership.com

Fueling Our Future (FOF)

A FARGO-MOORHEAD-REGION FOCUSED, BUSINESS-LED INITIATIVE THAT FOCUSES ON "BIG ROCK" ISSUES

FOF focuses its efforts through three pillars: People, Place and Prosperity. Current projects within each pillar include:

People: Support of the Regional Career Workforce Academies, one proposed for Moorhead and one proposed for Cass County.

Place: Support of a regional business accelerator.

Prosperity: FOF is working to create a regional shovel ready sites program.



www.fuelingourfuture.net

Emerging Prairie (EP)

LEAD SUPPORTER OF A STRONG ENTREPRENEURIAL ECOSYSTEM

EP connects and supports the entrepreneurial ecosystem. They took a lead role in bringing Prairie Den, a coworking space, to Fargo and continue to manage the Prairie Den. They manage and lead several programs and events like: Drone Focus, Cultivate, 1 Million Cups, TEDxFargo and are part of a collaborative bringing GrandFarm to the region.

The EDC partners with EP on all aspects of economic development including business attraction and expansion.



www.emergingprairie.com

Partnering for a Better Economy

The EDC supports United Way of Cass Clay's New Americans Workforce Initiative Program.



The EDC supports increased awareness of the NDSU Research & Tech Park incubator and is a sponsor of the NDSU Innovation Challenge.



Our EDC supports the Tri-College University. We have partnered with Tri-College to create a college brochure to help recruitment efforts and are working on ways to retain and launch graduate careers here.



The EDC is a long-time supporter of the Health Tech & Trades Career Expo (produced in part by the HBA of FM) for area 9th graders.



The EDC supports the Small Business Development Center in its efforts to assist primary-sector companies.



The EDC manages and markets the LiveInFargo.com site which was created by the Regional Workforce Initiative.

