

# City of Pendleton

## Community Profile

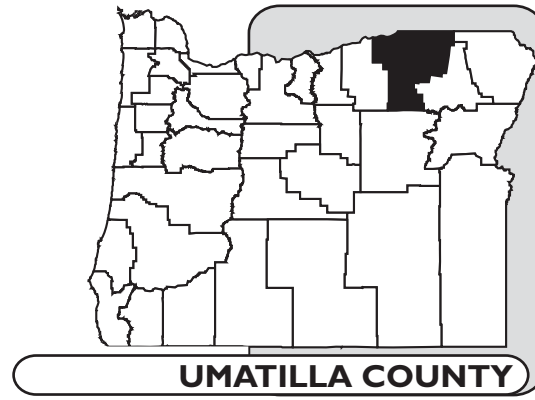
**Population** 17,515

**Location** Pendleton

## Position Description

**Sponsor** City of Pendleton

**Supervisor** Larry Lehman,  
City Manager



**Assignment** The RARE participant is working with the City of Pendleton on downtown development projects. The participant is assisting the Economic Development Director with attracting and retaining industrial and commercial development to Pendleton. And, in collaboration with the Pendleton Downtown Partnership, the participant is helping to further their efforts to become an accredited Main Street Program which includes implementing a downtown streetscape plan and enhancing the business environment.

The Umatilla River runs directly through downtown Pendleton and offers an opportunity to create an important community asset. Together with the Urban Renewal Commission, the participant is working to create a Riverfront District. This includes working with the Riverfront Committee to develop the River Parkway which will include a biking and hiking trail along the river as well as a small park. This project includes collaborating with current property owners along the river to encourage beautification of the area.

## RARE Participant



Lee Jorgensen

**Lee Jorgensen** graduated from the University Of Minnesota- Twin Cities College Of Design with a BS in Architecture and Political Science. Most recently, Lee worked as a junior architect at LSA Design, Inc in Minneapolis, Minnesota where he lead and participated in design teams from project conception to construction. Additionally, he conducted community-based master planning and transit feasibility studies. Lee also interned for a political campaign in Minnesota, served Habitat for Humanity International in Kenya, and volunteered for Architecture for Humanity in Mississippi and Louisiana. Lee has a passion for the field of design and the contribution it can make to the advancement of underserved communities.