

# Talent, City of

## **Community Profile:**

**Population** 5,050 (Talent)

**Location** Talent

## **Position Description:**

**Sponsor** City of Talent

**Supervisor** Nancy Murphy Kincaid, City Planner

## **Assignment**

The RARE participant is involved in the comprehensive plan review, specifically the economic and housing elements. This requires the participant to inventory existing businesses and to study economic conditions and trends. The housing element requires the participant to understand the new state administrative rules directing how communities must provide for a variety of housing opportunities. Completing these projects requires convening citizen advisory committees and study sessions with the Planning Commission and City Council to provide needed direction and support.

## **Required Skills**

Ability to read, interpret and convey administrative rules, local ordinances and plan policies into lay language, verbally and in writing; an upper division law and legal methods course work is extremely valuable.

## **RARE Member: *Kevin A. Cronin - 1998-1999, Year 5 Participant***

Kevin graduated from Pennsylvania State University in 1993 with a BA in General Arts and Sciences and is currently pursuing a Master's degree in Regional Planning. Kevin worked on a variety of projects for the AmeriCorps\*National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC), rehabilitating inner city parks in addition to teaching first grade and fighting forest fires. Most recently he worked as an AmeriCorps campus recruiter in Oregon. Kevin has extensive volunteer experience including: National Park Service, US Forest Service, REACH Community Development Corporation and the Multnomah County Bicycle and Pedestrian Citizen Advisory Committee. As a RARE participant Kevin hopes to gain insight into the implications of statewide land use planning as it is applied to resource dependent communities.