

Umatilla County - Hermiston, Umatilla, Echo, Stanfield

Community Profile:

Population 65,500

Location Pendleton

Position Description:

Sponsor Hermiston, Umatilla, Echo, Stanfield Counties (HUES)

Supervisor Bruce Peet, Umatilla County Economic Development Director

Assignment

The RARE participant serves as the Coordinator for the HUES Growth Impact Strategic Planning Group. HUES is working to develop and implement a plan that directs growth in a positive, pro-active manner. A large part of this plan involves the development of new partnerships within the region. The participant coordinates HUES meetings and correspondence, refines and monitors the development of the group and carries out the activities identified in the HUES Action Plan. The first objective of the Action Plan is to identify livability and quality of life issues and to educate the public and advise federal, state and county partners of findings. The participant is also responsible for obtaining funding and support to sustain HUES operations.

Required Skills

Planning and project management, computer proficiency (newsletter and web page publishing), and group facilitation skills.

RARE Member: *Bradley Porterfield - 1998-1999, Year 5 Participant*

Bradley received his BS degree in Natural Resource Planning and in Latin American Literature from Humboldt State University in California. Upon graduation, he volunteered with the Peace Corps in Uruguay where he worked as an environmental consultant and project manager. There he helped a state government develop a division of environmental management, which implemented projects in solid waste management, water quality monitoring, and environmental education. During the last year Bradley worked as a RARE participant develop and implement a plan that will direct growth. His responsibilities included team building and group facilitation, data acquisition and evaluation, strategic planning, and other management activities.