Brookings, City of

Community Profile:
Population 5,475
Location Brookings, Curry County

Position Description:
Sponsor City of Brookings
Supervisor John Bischoff

Assignment
The RARE Participant will work on a number of diverse projects with the City of Brookings. These projects include: coordinating a downtown revitalization project; developing and writing a parks master plan for the city; implementing the GASB 34 project; calculating a fixed asset inventory; and developing a city equipment replacement schedule.

The downtown revitalization project will involve developing a downtown master plan. The RARE Participant will work with a citizens’ committee to facilitate meetings for public input in addition to working with consultants to assure a quality project.

The city does not currently have a parks master plan and there has not been consistent expansion and development of the city parks. The RARE Participant will work with the Parks Commission to find funding to prepare a parks master plan. The plan will include a feasibility study for a covered city swimming pool.

The RARE Participant will be working closely with city employees to develop the GASB 34 criteria, the fixed asset inventory and the equipment replacement schedule. Each of these projects will be a new document that will allow the city to better manage its resources and plan for their planning and budgetary future.

Required Skills
The required skills of this position are a knowledge of accounting principles, ability to prioritize, leadership skills, good organizational skills, understanding of straight-line depreciation, research skills, experience facilitating public meetings, knowledge of municipal governments, and knowledge of planning and zoning.

RARE Member: Jeremy McVeety - 2001-2002, Year 8 Participant
In 2001, Jeremy McVeety earned his undergraduate degree in Economics from Idaho State University in Pocatello, Idaho. While attending Idaho State University, he was involved in student government. Prior to joining RARE he worked in customer service as an Entertainment Consultant with Convergys. Jeremy has also worked as a Welder/Equipment Operator with SME Steel Contractors.