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HEDC Announces Skilled Trades Incentive Program

The Herreid Economic Development Corporation (HEDC) of Herreid, South Dakota, announced its new Skilled Trades Incentive Program. Kevin Wientjes, HEDC President said, “We are very excited to be focused on recruiting carpenters, electricians, plumbers and concrete finishers. We have these skill sets now in the Herreid community but we are focused on future community needs.” Many of the current skilled trades people will be retiring within the next two or three years. Therefore, now is the time to begin aggressively recruiting so residents will be able to enjoy services that only carpenters, electricians, plumbers and concrete finishers can offer. “We will be competing with other rural South Dakota communities for these skill sets. It is imperative that we get focused, start recruiting as soon as possible and offer attractive incentives to move to Herreid, South Dakota”, said Kayla Huber, HEDC Vice President. HEDC already offers housing incentives which are listed on www.herreidsd.com for new residents. Depending on the level of skill and experience a person has, HEDC may offer low cost / no cost lots to build on; licensing, certification or training fees reimbursement; relocation expense reimbursement; customer referrals and other incentives. What is unique about the HEDC program is referral bonuses or finder’s fees paid to anybody who successfully refers a carpenter, electrician, plumber or concrete finisher. Wientjes pointed out, “Many people know someone in their family or a friend who may be able to take advantage of the program incentives. Herreid is a beautiful, welcoming American small town with a lot to offer.” Interested skilled trades people or referring parties can contact Kevin Wientjes at 605-437-2294 or email ktw@valleytel.net for more program qualifications and general information.

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