

March 2017

# Sibley County Community Development

## ACT on Alzheimer's grant underway

Sibley County held four meetings during the month of January to inform residents about the ACT on Alzheimer's grant. The County received \$7,000 to educate the community about dementia and perform surveys to understand our community's knowledge of dementia and Alzheimer's. We will then receive another \$7,000 to implement a dementia friendly program or two in the County. The action team members began surveying community members in late January. The surveying process will be complete by the end of March. The surveys will show our community's gaps, strengths, and opportunities. If you would like to become part of the action team or if you would like to complete a survey please contact Amy Newsom at 507-237-4117 or [AmyN@co.sibley.mn.us](mailto:AmyN@co.sibley.mn.us).

Sibley County received a \$10,000 grant from DHS to hire a cultural consultant to reach out to the Hispanic Community. Maria Munoz can be reached at 507-240-1203.

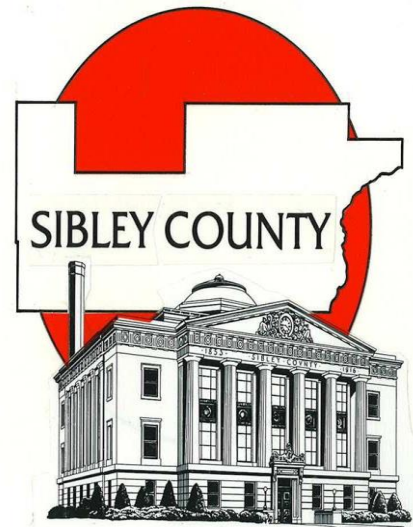
## Funding information available

Looking for information to start a business or expand your business in Sibley County? Information on DEED programs, Region 9 revolving loans, Sibley County revolving loan fund, city revolving loans, Southern Minnesota Initiative Funding, 504 Corporation, and the USDA is available by contacting Amy Newsom at 507-237-4117 or stopping in at Administration at the Courthouse. Amy has also presented this information in the City of Green Isle and can come to your City Council or EDA to present the information and provide a funding packet. Information can also be found at [http://www.co.sibley.mn.us/economic\\_development/index.php](http://www.co.sibley.mn.us/economic_development/index.php).

## Things To Do around Sibley County

Make sure you check out the *Things To Do* section of the Sibley County website to see events around the County.

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## Upcoming events:

March 17<sup>th</sup> –  
St. Patrick's Day Bowling at  
CODE3 Bowling & Party in  
Gibbon. 7-11 p.m.

March 18<sup>th</sup> –  
Henderson Healing Hub  
One Year Anniversary  
8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

March 18<sup>th</sup> -  
Marv Nissel Band at Oak  
Terrace in Gaylord 2:30 p.m.

March 19<sup>th</sup> –  
Craig Blackstad music at Oak  
Terrace in Gaylord at 3:45  
p.m.

March 22<sup>nd</sup> –  
ACT meeting at CODE3  
Bowling and Party in Gibbon  
9:15 a.m.

March 24<sup>th</sup> -  
ACT on Alzheimer's Hispanic  
meeting at the Arlington  
Community Center. 6-8 p.m.

March 30<sup>th</sup> –  
Pie Social at Oak Terrace in  
Gaylord at 2:30 p.m.



## Property for Sale: 401 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North, Arlington

2.27 acres of industrial land available in the city of Arlington. cleared of buildings and will be sold as bare land.

The property features electricity, water, telephone and gas.

The site is the former Cemstone site and has been

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\$400,000 asking price.  
\$176,211.46 per acre.

Contact the listing broker John Jasinski at 507-333-1152 for more information.

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### BR&E visits continue

Sibley County will be continuing to perform Business Retention and Expansion visits. We have performed 17 visits in 2017 and approximately 193 since 2015. The visits are an important way to gauge the needs of a business community. The visits have also been the reason we have started some of the classes and programs offered by the County. If you have not received a business visit and would like to do one please contact Amy Newsom at 507-237-4117 or 507-479-3219 to arrange a visit.

You can also contact your local EDA Director for a business visit.

In Arlington contact Holly Kreft at 952-529-5022.

In Winthrop contact Mark Erickson at 507-240-1130.

## Arlington BR&E visit results

*Top three priority projects or initiatives the City should consider in order to enhance the business climate?*

- Filling up the Downtown.
- Working with the County.
- Bringing in more industry; finding a business for the Seneca building.

## Arlington EDA Assistance Available

Are you an Arlington business looking to spruce up the front of your building? Last year the City approved the Façade Improvement Loan program. This is a forgivable loan up to \$2,500 that can assist you with storefront improvements. The loan is a 50% match and can be used to replace windows, update exteriors, replace awnings, or add or update signage. If you stay in business in Arlington for at least one year, the loan will be forgiven. Contact EDA Director Holly Kreft at 952-529-5022 or [hkreftmdg@gmail.com](mailto:hkreftmdg@gmail.com) for more information.

## Looking for property in Winthrop?

The City of Winthrop and the Winthrop EDA own 23 different parcels of land in Winthrop. Contact EDA Director Mark Erickson at 507-240-1130 for more information.



## Property available in Green Isle

The City of Green Isle has property available in the industrial park. 9.43 acre lot zoned Industrial. Located on West Church Street near JIT Companies and Locher Bros. For more information contact Green Isle EDA Director Amy Newsom at 507-479-3219.



## Sibley County Community & Business Expo

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual *Live and Work in Sibley County* Business Expo will be Thursday, April 20 from 4-8 pm at the Arlington Community Center. We are looking for businesses to register for the event. There will be business booths, hiring booths, and business food booths. Booths include a 5-foot round table & two chairs. For more information or to receive a registration form please contact Amy Newsom at 507-237-4117 or [AmyN@co.sibley.mn.us](mailto:AmyN@co.sibley.mn.us). Registration forms are due back by Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>.



The Henderson Healing Hub will be marking its One Year Anniversary on Saturday, March 18.

**Yoga class – 8:30 a.m.**  
**Chair Massages – 9 a.m. to noon**  
**Drawing Meditation Demo – 9:15 & 9:30 a.m.**  
**Yoga & the Chakras Workshop – 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**  
**Tours – 1 – 2 p.m.**

For more information contact Jennifer Kolter at 507-868-0053

## **Henderson Classic Car Roll-In**

Every Tuesday from 5 to 8 p.m.  
May 30th - Sept. 26th - Main Street,  
Henderson



## Upcoming Events:

April 1<sup>st</sup> –  
April Fools' Bowling at  
CODE3 Bowling & Party in  
Gibbon 1-10 p.m.

April 6<sup>th</sup> –  
*Leading Sibley Together* –  
Ag Day

April 7<sup>th</sup> –  
ACT on Alzheimer's Hispanic  
meeting at the Gibbon  
Community Center. 6-8 p.m.

April 11<sup>th</sup>  
Sibley County Economic  
Development Committee  
meeting  
Sibley County Courthouse  
5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

April 13<sup>th</sup> – May 18<sup>th</sup> –  
Powerful Tools for Caregivers  
Ridgeview Sibley Medical  
Contact Barb Alsleben at  
320-221-3747 for more  
information.

April 20<sup>th</sup> –  
Sibley County Business Expo  
Arlington Community Center  
4-8 p.m.

April 27<sup>th</sup> –  
*Spring into Arlington*  
Shop Chamber businesses  
from 5-8 p.m.

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### Sibley County has a new Facebook page

Sibley County has a new Facebook page.  
[https://www.facebook.com/Sibley-County-706410026207787/?ref=aymt\\_homepage\\_panel](https://www.facebook.com/Sibley-County-706410026207787/?ref=aymt_homepage_panel).  
Please like our page to stay up to date on events throughout the County. If you would like to add your event to the Facebook page please contact Amy Newsom at [AmyN@co.sibley.mn.us](mailto:AmyN@co.sibley.mn.us) or 507-237-4117.

### April's newsletter

Please submit your local economic development news and events to Amy Newsom [AmyN@co.sibley.mn.us](mailto:AmyN@co.sibley.mn.us) or PO Box 256 by Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> to be included in our next Sibley County newsletter which will come out on Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>.

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