

#### November 2024





### Buffalo City Office Flex PACE Request Approved

The JSDC Board of Directors voted to approve the Flex PACE request of up to \$51,342.75 for interest buydown for Buffalo City Office, LLC at their November meeting.

Buffalo City Offices, LLC is purchasing a building at 312 2nd Ave SW in Jamestown to establish Center Counseling, which will offer counseling services for children seven and younger—an age group currently underserved in the community. Center Counseling is committed to supporting individuals seeking guidance and healing, with board-certified practitioners trained in clinical, evidence-based therapies.



## Nordic One Flex PACE Request Approved

The JSDC Board of Directors voted to approve the Flex PACE request of up to \$26,283.13 for interest buydown for Nordic One, LLC at their November meeting.

Bjorn Hanson, owner of Nordic One, LLC, plans to buy a building at 305 12th Ave SE in Jamestown to expand his furniture repair, refinishing, and carpentry business. His shop will serve both residential and commercial clients in the community, offering a local option for these services. The space will be equipped with woodworking tools and a spray booth.

Funding will cover the building purchase and renovations to create a dedicated space for quality counseling services.



#### **New At-Large Board Members for 2025**



Mike Delfs JRMC



Ben Steinolfson Dakota Central



Dustin Jensen UJ



#### 2025-2026 Executive Board



Jeremy Rham President



Casey Henderson Vice President



Tonya Perkins Secretary/Treasurer



Tory Hart Past President

## Jamestown Tourism Request Approved

At its November meeting, the JSDC Board of Directors approved the 2025 request for \$125,000 in marketing dollars for Jamestown Tourism.

These funds directly support efforts to attract visitors to Jamestown and nearby areas. This investment will help expand on



successful campaigns launched in 2024, using digital tools to reach more people and refine messaging based on visitor interests. While traditional media remains important, the tourism office has adapted to changing trends, partnering with marketing firms to create effective solutions and gather more photos and videos for engaging content. In 2024, campaigns focused on History and Culture Enthusiasts, Road Trippers, Families, and Outdoor Enthusiasts, utilizing social media and Google Display ads to drive significant website traffic. Warren has worked closely with the Chamber and City to align branding across these entities, presenting a unified and positive image of Jamestown. This

collaboration strengthens Tourism's message and highlights the growth and improvements within our community.



Having the opportunity to connect with many economic development professionals from across the country and learn from the incredible instructors during my time at OUEDI is something I am so grateful to have experienced. The knowledge gained and relationships built from OUEDI are invaluable to my growth here at JSDC. Thank you JSDC for investing in my continued education in Economic Development!

#### Looysen Graduates from OUEDI Training

Alyssa Looysen finished her 117 hours of coursework through the University of Oklahoma's Economic Development Institute in October.

Over the past year, Alyssa has traveled to Austin, New Orleans, and Orlando to learn more about credit analysis, workforce development, politics and trends in economic development, business retention and expansion, real estate development and reuse, marketing and attraction, and more! This opportunity also allowed her to be able to connect with other economic developers throughout the county.

#### In The News:



Stutsman County voters cast more ballots in 2024 than in 2020

Residents cast 10,248 ballots in the general election.



Taylor, Hansen, Hastings elected to Stutsman County Commission

The Stutsman County Commission will have two new members on its board.

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# Burgum, Advisory Committee unveil recommendations to address housing needs in North Dakota

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## Jamestown Regional Airport holds ribbon-cutting event to celebrate completion of projects

Jamestown Area Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors and staff helped celebrate the completion of the Jamestown Regional Airport's lighting and runway rehabilitation projects with a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

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#### **Upcoming Business Resource Events:**

| Event:  | Date:       | Hosted By:        |
|---|-------------|-------------------|
| CDFI Training with Dakota<br>Business Lending                       | November 20 | <u>JREC</u>       |
| Emotional Intelligence 101: A guide for small business owners       | November 20 | <u>JREC</u>       |
| Virtual Startup Business<br>Pitch Competition                       | December 2  | <u>JREC</u>       |
| Social Media 101: To Get<br>Your New Business Seen<br>and Growing   | December 3  | <u>JREC</u>       |
| S.T.I.R. @ The Bunker with  Jamestown Parks & Rec                   | December 3  | Jamestown Chamber |
| The 13th Hat LLC -<br>Founder's Journey Talk with<br>Deidre Hillman | December 10 | <u>JREC</u>       |

#### Loyal to Local Program to Kick Off November 30th

It's time once again for the "Loyal to Local" Holiday Passport campaign!

This 4th annual, month-long event's purpose is to encourage our community to keep local money local during the holiday shopping season.

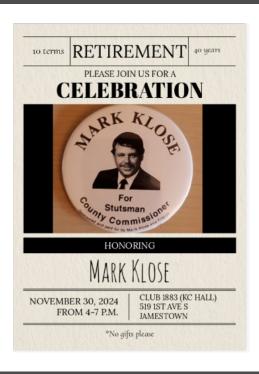
Participation is easy:

- 1. Pick up a Passport from the Chamber Office, Zimmerman's Furniture, or another participating business. Be sure to fill out your name and contact details on the first page.
- 2. Get shopping! Once your transaction is complete, businesses can stamp your passport(s) equal to how much you have spent there. Stamps range from \$5 to a maximum of \$50 on their business page. Once you have reached \$250 in stamps at 5 separate businesses minimum, you're all set
- to turn in your passport for a chance to win fabulous prizes! Multiple passports per person can be turned in.
- 3. Turn in your passport(s) at the Chamber Office, or at the dropbox at Zimmerman's Furniture.

The last day to get passports stamped is Friday, January 3rd! Books are DUE Monday, January 6th. Prizes will be drawn on Tuesday, January 7th.

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