

# STUTSMAN COUNTY



September 2025



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JAMESTOWN / STUTSMAN CO.

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## September is Workforce Development Month!

At the JSDC we know that strong communities are built on strong workforces. That's why September's Workforce Development Month is an important time to highlight the programs, partnerships, and people shaping the future of Jamestown and Stutsman County.

From supporting internships through our Internship Reimbursement Program to helping businesses expand and create new jobs, JSDC is committed to investing in opportunities that retain and grow local talent. Workforce development doesn't just strengthen individual careers: it drives economic growth and builds the foundation for long-term community success.

We're proud to celebrate the progress being made in our region and remain dedicated to ensuring Jamestown and Stutsman County continue to be a place where both businesses and workers thrive.

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## JSDC Board Approves Three Interns For Fall Reimbursement

The JSDC Board of Directors approved funding for three internships for Fall 2025, continuing our focus on developing local talent and building strong connections between students and employers.

Interns will gain hands-on experience with local

businesses across various industries, including radio and accounting.

The Internship Reimbursement Program is designed to increase the number of local internships and support employers in their workforce recruitment and retention efforts. The Program reimburses employers up to \$3,500 for the payroll costs of university/college students hired as interns. Qualified employers must be in Stutsman County and pay the intern at least \$15/hour.

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## WalletHub Ranks North Dakota as Hardest Working State

Hard work is part of the American story, but in North Dakota, it truly stands out. While Americans already put in more hours on average than many countries around the world, North Dakotans are among the hardest-working people in the nation.

Our state has one of the highest employment rates in the country, at nearly 98%, and workers average close to 40 hours per week. North Dakotans also rank near the top for young people pursuing education or jobs, and households here are far more likely to have working adults than most other states.

Even with long workweeks and fewer vacation days used, North Dakotans take pride in staying active, engaged, and committed to their communities. This strong work ethic continues to fuel growth across Jamestown, Stutsman County, and beyond, helping us build a resilient economy and a bright future together.

## Expansion Incentive Proposal Moves Forward

A major expansion project is on the horizon in Jamestown.

To support the project, the Jamestown/Stutsman Development Corporation has drafted a local incentive package valued at up to \$752,648. The package includes:

- *Land Transfer:* 2.32 acres of JSDC-owned property, valued at approximately \$252,648, located adjacent to Company X's current site. The property would be sold for a nominal fee as a non-cash incentive.
- *Employee Incentive Program:* Up to \$500,000 in forgivable loans to support the hiring of up to 25 new full-time employees. The program offers \$20,000 per eligible position, requiring employees to earn at least \$20/hour and work 40+ hours per week.

Incentive funds would be split 80/20 between the city and county, with safeguards in place to encourage long-term local employment. This proposal will now go to the city and county for approval.

Be sure to stay tuned for future updates!



## Taxable sales, purchases up in Jamestown during second quarter

Jamestown outperformed the state of North Dakota.

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## Jamestown airport sees increases in passenger boardings in July, August

The Jamestown Regional Airport had 6,282 passenger boardings through July.

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## Upcoming Business Resource Events:

Event:	Date:	Hosted By:
<u>2025 Ag Bus Tour - Cows &amp; Co Creamery</u>	September 16	<u>Jamestown Chamber</u>
<u>Strong Women, Strong Connections</u>	September 16	<u>ND Women's Business Center</u>
<u>S.T.I.R. with United Way</u>	September 18	<u>Jamestown Chamber</u>
<u>New &amp; Current AI Tools for Social Media Marketing</u>	September 23	<u>JREC</u>
<u>Securities &amp; Exchange Commission's Presentation on Raising Capital</u>	September 24	<u>JREC</u>
<u>Leadertown: Discover the Power of Character</u>	September 25	<u>UJ - Unruh School of Character in Leadership</u>
<u>LeadU: Leadership Development for Health Care Supervisors &amp; Managers</u>	October 1	<u>Community Healthcare Association of the Dakotas</u>
<u>HR Unplugged Roundtable</u>	October 13	<u>Jamestown Chamber</u>
<u>Build a DIY Brand Kit in Canva</u>	October 15	<u>JREC</u>

## On the Search for More Local Events?



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