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MEDA Resource Team Assessment Working Group
June 8, 2017
9:00am – 10am

One the call: Gus Byrom, Sue Taylor, Dianne Lehm, Paul LaChapelle, Anne Boothe, John Lavey, and Gloria O'Rourke.

1. Introductions

2. Community Builders – meet John <https://communitybuilders.org/>

- Community development and planning done well = successful economic development
- Livability outcomes
 - Strengthen local leadership
 - Inspire for action
- Direct technical assistance may be of most help to RTA
 - Offer assistance with downtown strategies, transportation, planning, etc.
 - Targeted actionable projects
- Training program
 - Provides groups of community reps with information and know-how on topics. Community Builders Leadership Institute: Elevates leadership capacity and jumpstarts projects.
- Monitoring and evaluation system – internally – to track how well the project works

Discussion:

It is on us to use this information and build our partners.
John is happy to partner and engage with the three state grant regarding research.

3. Update on MT Activity – one year return to Ronan was interesting and successful

4. Update on WY Activity – Kim was not available.

5. Update and Discussion on Three State Grant - Paul, Sue, Gloria

- a. Ripple Mapping June 15 – everyone was welcome to visit Anaconda to see Ripple Mapping in action.
- b. Face to face meeting in Boise August 2 - 4. Information will be shared with this working group when it is available.

6. Misc.

Paul noted a webinar series in the works with the SBDCs around the state. September will be the first training on credit card usage.

7. Next Call - The next call will likely be September 14th as there are several conflicts in August.