

BELLE FOURCHE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



Board of Directors Meeting

****DATE CHANGE****

March 11, 2020

Time: 7: 00 a.m.

Location: 5th & Grant Plaza

Build Dakota Scholarship

DEADLINE
April 15, 2020

builddakotascholarships.com/

Leadership Belle Fourche

March 19, 2020

Time: 9 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Course Topic: Bring Your "A" Game, Community Tours, Quality of Life

Join Today!

Belle Fourche Development Corporation

2020 Investment Campaign ~
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Members Make A Difference!

Our goals for 2020 and beyond are possible because of you. Not yet a member? Join Today!

Application on Page 8 & 9 of this Newsletter or

Online Application & Payment:

<https://bfdcsd.com/memberships/>

GENESEE & WYOMING AND RCP&E HOLD RAIL 101 IN BELLE FOURCHE

While rail business continues to develop in Belle Fourche at the Industrial Park rail siding, some important education was brought forward by the rail carrier. Zach Boehm, Assistant Vice President, Industrial Development for Genesee & Wyoming Railroad Services, Inc, and Nick Smith, Manager, Sales & Marketing for Rapid City, Pierre & Eastern Railroad were on hand for the digital rail tour. Genesee & Wyoming (G&W) is the parent company to the Rapid City Pierre & Eastern local shortline rail service.



A few “fun facts” shared with the local group of 20 attendees include the name tied to a location for Genesee &

Wyoming. We may correlate the name with our neighboring state to the west, but that would be incorrect. The early beginning of the G&W rail line, back in the late 1800’s, was in two upstate New York counties - Genesee county and Wyoming county.

Topping the list of other important things to know:

1. G&W has acquired more than 100 companies in the last 15 years.
2. G&W operates in more states than any other freight railroad company.
3. G&W serves 3000 customers with 3.4 million carloads annually and employs 8000 people worldwide with 122 railroads and approximately 16,000 track miles and more than 1350 locomotives.
4. Their core purpose is to be the safest and more respected transportation service provider in the world.

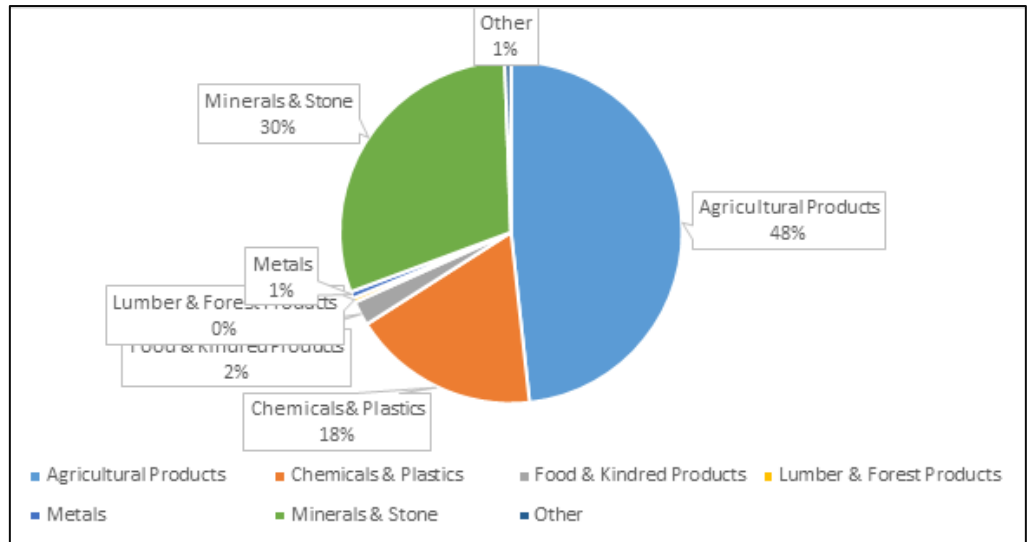
What does this mean to us locally?

G&W has one railroad operating in South Dakota, The Rapid City Pierre & Eastern or RCP&E. RCP&E has 670 miles of track in South Dakota with 180 employees and roughly 53,000 carloads annually (interchanges with BNSF, UP & CP).



This rail service in South Dakota has a good commodity mix:

1. Agricultural Products
2. Mineral & Stone
3. Chemicals & Plastics



With over 233,000 miles of rail in the US and 103,000 miles of shortline railroad service, the options to transport across the country are open. The shortline railroads provide the short haul connection between the customer and the Class 1 railroad, or the “first and last mile”. This can equate to real transportation savings for customers, especially when the commodity is dense, heavy and traveling extended distances.

When it comes to transloading, Belle Fourche has an asset to serve customers in the region.



The Belle Fourche Industrial & Rail Park rail siding provides the much-needed space to offload railed materials in a safe area off of the mainline. There are two pads for trucks and equipment to access the sided cars and a looped entrance and exit for easy access in and out of the siding area. The industrial park and siding area are located along highway 212 about a half mile west of hwy 85.

For more information, contact the economic development office in Belle Fourche - 605-892-5065.

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Receive \$10,000 Cash to use towards closing costs, down payment, appliances or home furnishings. Beautiful one level 3 BR, 2 BA brand new home for easy living. The master bedroom has an attached bath, the home has beautiful cabinetry and interior wood doors. There is room to add a garage in the rear of the home if you desire.



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The Art of Instant Photography



Oh, the wonderful days of instant original photography! Truly capturing the moment, not a photo-shopped-delete-redo-one-hundred-times-until-not-even-the-same-pic version. Wait...you can still enjoy 'the instant' these days! Come take this class to learn all about the fabulous Polaroid: amazing history; camera models and how they work; film formats and development, shooting on-location, and much more! As a bonus, photos taken in this class will be assembled for a photo exhibit at location to be announced...how awesome is that?! Student should bring their own Instant Camera (Polaroid or other brand) and film. If you don't have one or can't purchase one, the instructor may have a limited number for use in class, but you'll be sharing. NOTE: Additional \$5 supply fee paid to instructor at class. NOTE: No class on March 18th. Note different time/date for Saturday class (1). Tuition - \$39.00 Class ID:712002 <https://bit.ly/2OOHivu>

3/4/2020 to 3/25/2020 | 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM



March 21, 2020

8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

FREE Event!

**Belle Fourche Area Community Center
1111 National Street - 892-2467**

Door Prizes:

First 100 to tour the fair receive a 1-day pass to the BFACC!

- Deadwood Mickelson Trail Marathon Entry
- Integrity Meats Certificate
- Lynn's Dakotamart Gift Card
- 3-Month BFACC Membership & More!



Great Exhibitors:

Health Source Chiropractic - SD Braille & Talking Book Library - Juice Plus - BF Volunteer Fire Dept. - Heartland Home Health - BH Health & Educational Center - Quantum Energetics - Mothers Against Drunk Driving - Isagenix - Zeal for Life - Sandstone Senior Living - UL Essential Oils - Norwex - Edward Jones - Ambulance Service - NARFE - Monument Health - Aroma Freedom - Ultimate Caps Inc. - Jackson Dental - Pain & Movement Solutions - The Massage Way - and More!



FREE HOMEBUYER EDUCATION CLASS

Thinking of buying a home? NeighborWorks®
Dakota Home Resources can help.

This free course provides an unbiased, comprehensive overview of the home buying process to help homebuyers make smart, informed decisions in every step of their homeownership journey. This course is strictly educational and NOT a sales presentation.

Location: Belle Fourche Economic Development
608 Fifth Avenue

Date: March 23rd & 24th

Time: 5:30 – 8:30

FREE Money for College Scholarships Available



Visit wdt.edu/scholarships

WESTERN DAKOTA TECH

SCHOLARSHIPS

Deadline - March 31, 2020

The Western Dakota Tech Foundation and the generosity of donors make scholarships available for new and current students.



BUILD DAKOTA

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Deadline - April 15, 2020

The Build Dakota Scholarship will pay all your tuition and fees and prepare you for a career that is in-demand and growing in South Dakota.

Scholarship application assistance available at these events:

FREE Financial Aid, Dual Enrollment, and Scholarship Information Session

 Thursday, Feb 20

 5pm - 6:30pm

 Western Dakota Tech Lobby

Western Dakota Tech Foundation Scholarship Assistance Events

 Saturday, March 7
Saturday, March 21

 10am - 2pm

 Western Dakota Tech Library

College Visit Night

 Tuesday, March 24

 5:30pm - 7pm

 Western Dakota Tech Lobby

Questions? Contact Jennie Best at (605) 718-3061 or Jennie.Best@wdt.edu





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Membership is an investment in the future growth and development of our community. Select your membership level and return this Member Application with your pledged amount.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION Belle Fourche Development Corporation

Date: _____

Name of Business: _____

Contact Person: _____

Billing Address: _____

Phone: _____

Website: _____

E-Mail: _____

Signature: _____

Please check one:

Platinum
\$1,000 or above

Gold
\$500 - \$999

Silver
\$250 - \$499

Bronze
\$100 - \$249

Associate or Individual
\$50 - \$99

See page 2 for membership benefits and payment options

We appreciate your investment and offer these member benefits in our promotional material:

1. **\$1000 Membership**
 - ~ receives a scrolling logo on the BFDCSD.com home page.
 - ~ member shout-outs in the BFDC newsletter and social media posts
 - ~ a special BFDC gift
2. **\$500-\$999 Membership**
 - ~ member shout-outs in the BFDC newsletter and social media posts
 - ~ a special BFDC gift
3. **\$250-\$499 Membership**
 - ~ member name listed & social media shout-outs
4. **\$100-\$249 Membership**
 - ~ member name listed

Submit this application and membership investment to:
Belle Fourche Development Corporation
 PO Box 344
 Belle Fourche, SD 57717

3 Easy Ways to Pay!

1. Mail this application and membership investment
2. Mail this application with card information:
 Name on card: _____
 Card # _____
 Card expiration date: _____
 Security Code: _____ Amount: \$ _____
 _____ VISA _____ MASTERCARD _____ DISCOVER
 A 3.5% transaction fee added to all credit card payments.
3. **OR Apply AND Pay Online**
 at www.bfdcsd.com/memberships/