

BELLE FOURCHE ECONOMIC ID DEVELOPMENT

*Eric Selchert Photo*

Hometown Thursday William & Wright Experience

June 6, 2024

Time: 6:00 9.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Location: Tri-State Museum &
Center of the Nation Visitor
Center

BFDC Board of Directors Meeting

May 15, 2024

Time: 7:00 a.m.

Location: BFDC Conference
Room - 5th & Grant Plaza, 608 5th
Ave.

Contact us to work with our team for connections to the resources to take your business to the next level. Whether starting a new business or expanding an existing business, we can connect you with resources to help. Contact us here: 605-892-5065

**Belle Fourche
Development
Corporation**

2024 Investment Campaign ~
Your investment creates opportunities in Belle Fourche!

**Membership Is an Investment
In The Future Growth And
Development Of
Our Community.**

Apply & Pay Online:
bfcdcsd.com/memberships/

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LEADERSHIP



Congratulations to the 2023/2024 Graduating Class!!

Pictured left to right: Amy Welles, Falina Selchert, Stephanie Hobbs-Vetter, Randy Sowers, Cailey Iverson, Hailey Hanzlik, Cheyenne McTaggart, and Belle Fourche Economic Development Director/Leadership Belle Fourche teacher, Hollie Stalder.

Not pictured: Becky Bachman.



StartTodaySD

APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

DEADLINE EXTENDED

MAY 8

Applications Due

THERE IS NO BETTER TIME THAN NOW.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR DEVELOPMENT AND
EXPANSION OF REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS IN
SOUTH DAKOTA UNTIL **MIDNIGHT ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 8.****

APPLY NOW!

[STARTTODAYS.D.COM/EMPLOYERS/FUNDING](https://starttoday.sd.com/employers/funding)

Applications for Registered Apprenticeship Program Development and Expansion funds have been extended until Wednesday, May 8, at midnight. Why Wait? Start Today. Apply now at <https://starttoday.sd.com/employers/funding>

One-time incentives of up to \$15,000 for applicants who want to develop a NEW Registered Apprenticeship Program. We encourage employers, education or training providers, community organizations, or industry associations to apply.

One-time incentives of up to \$10,000 for sponsors already registered with U.S. DOL who want to expand their program to include additional occupations. ONLY CURRENT Registered Apprenticeship sponsors are eligible to apply.



BUILD DAKOTA. BUILD YOUR WORKFORCE. INDUSTRY PARTNERSHIPS

If you're a business in South Dakota that specializes in a high-need field, a Build Dakota partnership may be the right fit for you. The Build Dakota Scholarship Fund gives technical students a full-ride scholarship in exchange for a commitment to work in their chosen field in South Dakota. Industry partners can use Build Dakota as a recruitment and retention tool for their business.

How to Become an Industry Partner:

Businesses can sponsor a scholar, paying a portion of their tuition and program expenses. You may sponsor a current employee or a technical college may help you match with a new applicant in a high-demand program.* Build Dakota scholars commit to working in South Dakota, and for your business, for three-years after graduation.

*All technical colleges manage their industry partner programs, so each school may have different forms, procedures and costs for your participation.

Qualifying Programs In:

Agriculture*
Automotive
Building Trades/Construction
Dental Assisting
Energy Technicians
Engineering Technicians
Healthcare/Public Service
IT/Computer Information Systems
Precision Manufacturing
Welding

*These programs may require an industry partner to receive the Build Dakota Scholarship.

For a full list of eligible programs, visit
BuildDakotaScholarships.com/Programs



Employer Benefits:

- A cost-effective training pipeline
- Guaranteed work from qualified, highly-skilled graduates
- Free advertising on the Build Dakota website

Industry Partner Programs:

Each technical school has their own Build Dakota Industry Partner Program. To learn more or to inquire about becoming a partner, please contact the schools directly.



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Have Your Pick

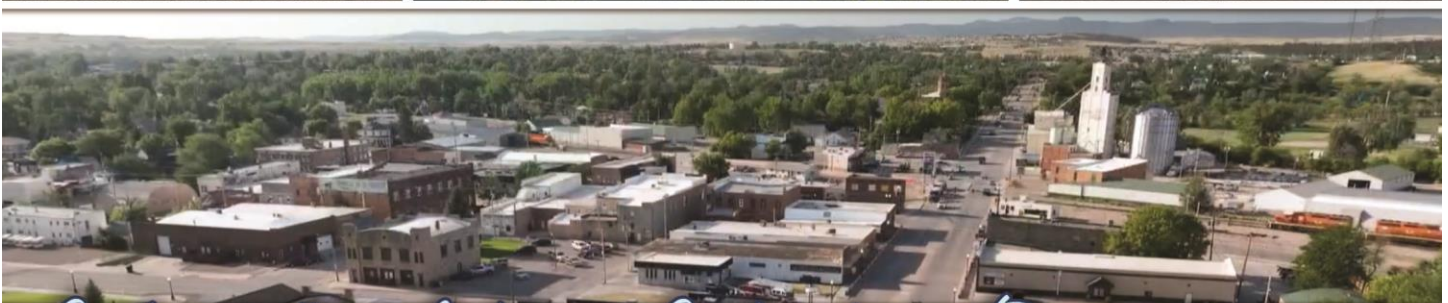
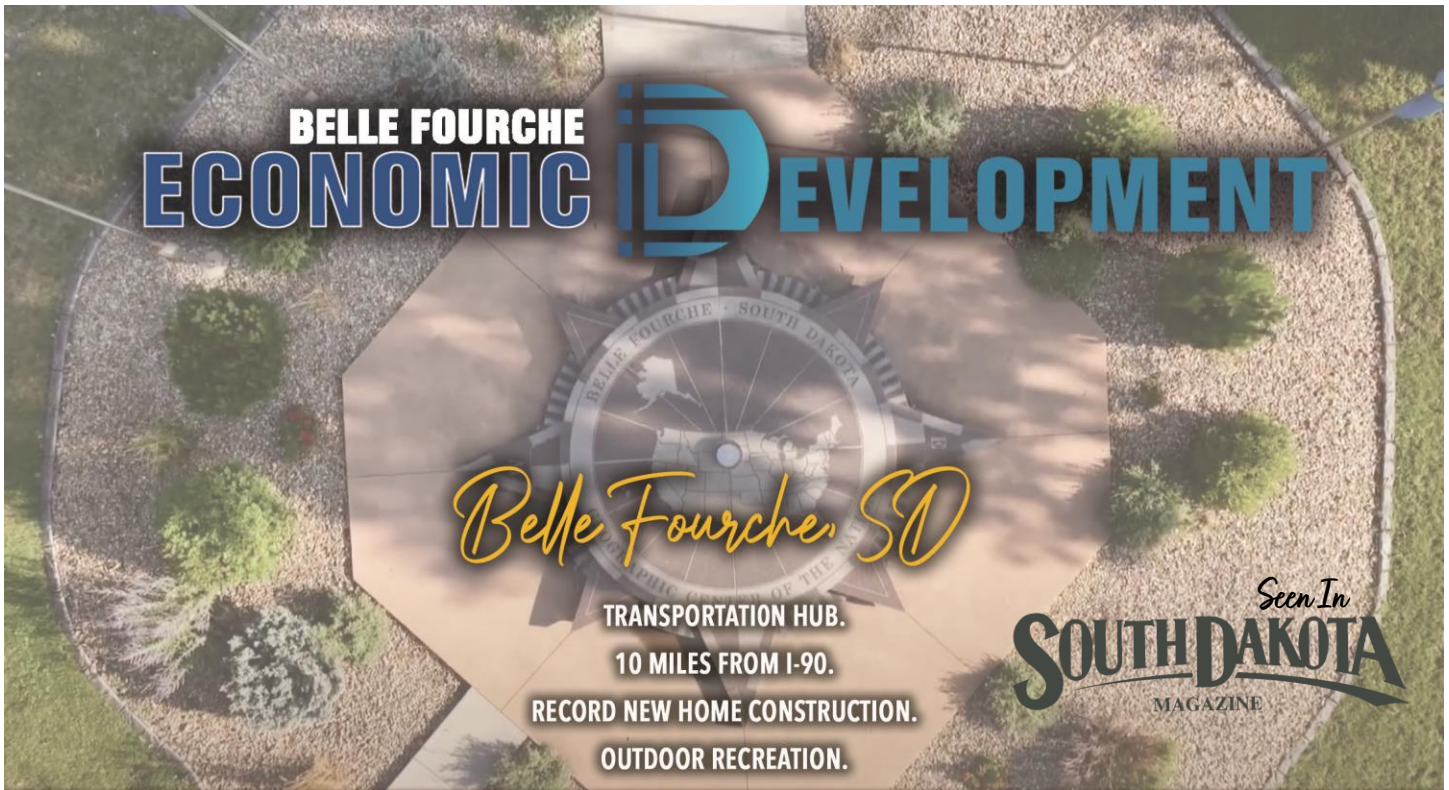
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Center of the Nation - Centered on Progress!

Belle Fourche is a community with strong leadership and alliances to help make the development process seamless. We are focused on aligning with companies to build community.

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WHO WE ARE

South Dakota Trade navigates international trade for South Dakota. The association – a 501 c (6) public-private partnership – administers South Dakota's STEP grant program, conducts export education, facilitates trade missions, and offers free and confidential trade consulting services to South Dakotan companies.

OUR PROGRAMS

TRADE MISSIONS

South Dakota Trade coordinates trade missions and reverse trade missions on behalf of the state to develop important relationships with foreign buyers and those looking to do business in South Dakota.

STATE TRADE EXPANSION PROGRAM (STEP)

South Dakota Trade has been designated by Governor Kristi Noem as the host for the State Trade Expansion Program (STEP) for South Dakota. This U.S. Small Business Administration grant program will reimburse your small business for eligible expenses related to export development.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE CONSULTING

South Dakota Trade offers free and confidential consultations to South Dakotan businesses who need advice, strategic support, and problem-solving while conducting or planning to conduct international trade.

EXPORT EDUCATION

South Dakota Trade offers seminars and courses that will enhance your company's export-readiness. Classes range from beginner to advanced and can often be covered by STEP grant funds.

For more information on South Dakota Trade and how to become a member, please visit www.SouthDakotaTrade.com.



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SD SOCIETY FOR RANGE MANAGEMENT

SD RANGE MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP

JUNE 25-27, 2024
**2024 THEME: FOUNDATIONS OF
RANGE MANAGEMENT**

EVENT DETAILS

Registration: \$150

Location: Belle Fourche, SD

Audience: Agency staff - USFS, BLM, BIA, NRCS, NGOs, etc.

Topics: range soils, ecological sites, state and transition models, plant ID, prescribed burn as a management tool

Agenda: detailed agenda emailed out the week prior

****Registration will go live on March 15 at
sdrangelands.com****

****Registration limited to 35-40 people.****

For more information:

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*You're
Invited!*

WOMEN ON THE RANGE

GRAZING WORKSHOP

JULY
8-10

Cost: \$175

Includes meals: 7/8 = lunch, supper; 7/9 = lunch, supper; 7/10 = lunch

Location: Wedge Tent Ranch, Faith, SD

Come join us to learn more about grazing ecology and management, with our host, Shannon Carmichael!!

Emphasis of this workshop will be on understanding your system, and not just the parts.

Topics will include, but are not limited to:

- Range health
- How to graze more efficiently
- Principles of grazing
- Ecosystem processes
- The importance of supply and demand in your stocking rates
- Range ecology - the intersection between plants and grazing ruminants

Registration will be live April 15, 2024 on the SDSU Extension Events Page.

For questions and more information:

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