City of Pendleton

Community Profile

Population 16,354
Location Pendleton

Position Description

Sponsor City of Pendleton
Supervisor Larry Lehman
City Manager

Assignment City Planning. The City of Pendleton provides many services to its residents including police, recreation, fire & rescue, water, planning, and judicial. Currently, there is a significant effort to invest in renewable energy projects and economic development initiatives. These efforts include multiple local organizations such as the River Quarter Committee, Chamber of Commerce, and the Energy Trust of Oregon.

The RARE participant placed with the City of Pendleton is focusing on community energy projects and economic development. The participant coordinates the public partners and residents to create an advisory committee which together will research, develop, and draft a Community Energy Plan intended to reduce total energy use. Additionally, the participant manages the Solarize Pendleton program and organizes the related renewable energy community events. The participant’s economic development projects are focused on new business recruitment and the development and revitalization of the River Quarter.

RARE Participant

Lindsey Hardy was raised in Malone, New York. She received her BS in Environmental Studies from Ithaca College located in Ithaca, New York. Recently, Lindsey interned for the Tomkins County Planning Department where she focused on improving the riparian areas of local streams and rivers. Prior to joining the RARE program, she was the assistant manager of Home Green Home, a green living store in Ithaca, NY, and she volunteered for the Cornell Cooperative Extension Master Composter Program where she coordinated community educational events. Further, she is very interested in environmental and energy policy and traveled to Poland and Denmark to attend the past two United Nations Framework Conventions on Climate Change. Following RARE, Lindsey intends to pursue a Master’s degree in Environmental and Urban Planning.