Warm Springs, Eagle Tech Systems (CORE)

Community Profile

Population 4,231
Location Warm Springs

Position Description

Sponsor Warm Springs, Eagle-Tech Systems and the CORE Collaborative
Supervisor Clyde Stryker, Procurement Manager

Assignment This is one of five RARE positions sponsored by the CORE Collaborative. CORE, which stands for Connecting Oregon for Rural Entrepreneurship, is a collaboration funded by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation and spearheaded by Oregon’s Rural Development Initiatives. While each of the five RARE assignments will vary based on the needs of the specific communities, all CORE positions will share a focus on creating and sustaining entrepreneurship development systems in economically distressed target areas. In Warm Springs, the RARE participant will work closely with the Warm Springs tribal business venture, Eagle Tech Systems, to: expand skill building trainings for entrepreneurs; facilitate the work of the chamber of commerce; offer computer training and classes; and support the activities of small businesses. While local leaders and entrepreneurs will spearhead CORE’s regional efforts, a CORE Statewide Advisory Board will bring together diverse lessons learned to ultimately impact statewide policy change.

Required Skills The RARE participant should have strong communication and organizational skills. The participant should understand and be interested in business development concepts and entrepreneurship. S/he should be creative, flexible, able to take initiative, and should have strong skills in planning and, marketing. The participant will need basic computer skills and the ability to think and write clearly. Finally, the participant will need to have strong customer service skills.

RARE Participant Daniel Berumen is a native of the San Francisco Bay area, and grew up in a family that is both bilingual and bicultural. He attended the University of New Mexico and the University of the Pacific and graduated with a bachelor degree in History. After graduation, he worked with Palo Alto Community Child Care as a resource specialist and provided trainings and workshops for the professional development of teachers and child care providers. He also provided Spanish translation services. At the same time, he worked as an intern for the business development manager at the City of Menlo Park and gained experience in business and economic development. As a second year RARE participant, Daniel will continue his service within the community of Warm Springs. Once he completes his second year, Daniel plans to attend graduate school and receive a master’s degree in Community and Regional Planning with a focus of economic and urban development.