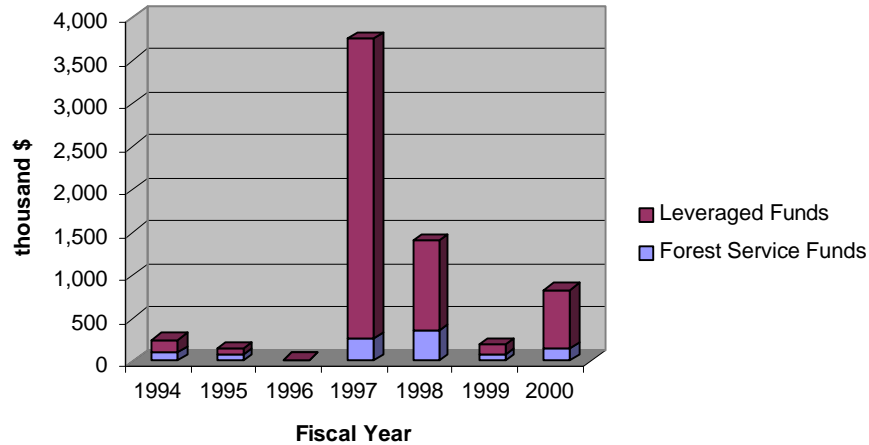




Economic Action Programs

Pend Oreille County, Washington

Pend Oreille County is a nonmetropolitan county in the northeastern corner of Washington bordered by Canada and Idaho. Many workers are employed in farming and forestry occupations. Paper mills and sawmills play an important role in employing county residents. The Forest Service and the BLM administer 59% of the land in the county.



Recipient	Project Name	Federal ID	Funds		
			USFS	Leveraged	Total
Planning and Technical Assistance					
Kalispel Tribe of Indians	Kalispel Interpretive Facility	WANW-99-007	\$50,000	\$124,450	\$174,450
Town of Metaline Falls	Community Action Plan	WANW-00-003	\$20,000	\$5,849	\$25,849
City of Newport	Water System Plan	WANW-00-006	\$30,000	\$27,221	\$57,221
Natural Resource Related					
North Pend Oreille Scenic Byway	Tiger Gateway	WANW-99-011	\$19,438	\$5,562	\$25,000
The Cutter Theatre	Rural Tourism Marketing	WANW-97-047	\$15,140	\$9,090	\$24,230
WA State Dept of Transportation	Selkirk Loop Promotional Dev	WANW-98-027	\$2,500	\$5,500	\$8,000
Facility Construction/Environmental Improvement					
City of Newport	Downtown Revitalization	WANW-97-048	\$250,000	\$3,483,318	\$3,733,318
Fnd Comm Colleges Spokane	Pend Oreille Valley College Ct	WANW-98-010	\$250,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,250,000
Pend Oreille County	Tiger Museum Septic System	WAEC-94-031	\$5,000	\$1,750	\$6,750
Pend Oreille County	Tour Boat Infrastructure	WAEC-94-032	\$95,000	\$149,500	\$244,500
Pend Oreille County	Visitor Center Renovation	WANW-95-023	\$80,350	\$67,881	\$148,231
Pend Oreille County	Visitor Center Renovation	WANW-95-023b	\$15,000	\$0	\$15,000
Town of Ione	Ione Community Center	WANW-00-016	\$99,884	\$650,125	\$750,009
Town of Metaline	Wastewater Plant Basin Enclos.	WANW-98-020	\$100,000	\$48,970	\$148,970





Economic Action Programs

One success story from Pend Oreille County, Washington



Pend Oreille Valley College Center

Pend Oreille County is located in the northeast corner of Washington State. Unemployment rates in Pend Oreille County vary between 12 to 21 percent. The county ranks among the lowest in the state in per capita income. Access to training opportunities or higher education is poor. In 1993 a temporary training center was located in Newport, Washington. In 1997 the building was sold and the training center had to be moved.

To improve the situation, several community leaders, representatives of local colleges, concerned citizens, and government representatives met to develop a plan of action to secure funding, secure a site, and prepare a design to construct a new training facility.

With the support of a \$750,000 loan from Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D), \$250,000 Grant from USFS, \$190,000 in contributions from local businesses, industries, associations, and private individuals of Pend Oreille and Bonner County, Idaho, the plan was put in motion.

Land was donated by the Pend Oreille School District. A mobile home was set up for a temporary training center. Construction began on May 27, 1998 and the project will be completed November 1998. The community, private

industry, school district, local college, and local Governments worked together to make the Pend Oreille Valley College Center a success. With the improved training center, citizens of Pend Oreille County and west Bonner County have a better opportunity for training to improve their job skills so they can compete in today's job markets.

Applicant: Foundation of Community Colleges of Spokane

Grant No: WANW-98-010

USDA Forest Service Funding: \$250,000

Total Project Cost: \$1,250,000