

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF GILA COUNTY

SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Donation History

The IDA has awarded donations to launch or support projects that have had significant impact on the community and county. The IDA is proud to have contributed to the launch of higher education, programs for the youth, historic and cultural preservation, economic development, waste water studies, and launch an event focused on maintaining the firebreak around Pine Strawberry.

	Sanitation Group	Waste Water Study	\$45,000
	Town of Miami	Computer System	\$25,000
	Pine-Strawberry	Waste Water Study	\$5,000
	Gila Comm. College	Provisional College	\$85,000
5/2007	Gila Comm. College	Nursing Program	\$45,000
1/2008	Signal Peak Foundation	Youth Program	\$60,000
11/2008	Gila Comm. College	Cosmetology Program	\$15,000
1/2009	Tequida & Gutierrez	Miami Sewer	\$5,000
5/2009	Tequida & Gutierrez	Miami Sewer	\$5,000
9/2009	Historic Globe-Miami	Copper Spike Train	\$5,000
7/2010	Hayden-Winkelman	Cyber Café	\$15,000
2/2011	Old Dominion Mine	Mine Park	\$5,000
5/2011	Pine-Strawberry	Firebreak Bike Race	\$16,000
3/2012	Pinal Mtn. High Ed.	Security Camera	\$2,000
3/2012	Bullion Plaza Museum	Rose Mofford Room	\$2,500
3/2012	Bullion Plaza Museum	Slavic Room	\$2,500
		Total	\$338,000

Current Projects

USDA

1.) The IDA sought the assistance of USDA for programs/grants for Miami's elderly residents faced with sub-standard living conditions: homes in disrepair and unaffordable utilities-- specifically sewer rate increase. Community Connect Utilities Program. End result: Ernie Whetherbee approached the Town of Miami, said he would get back in touch with the IDA.

2.) The IDA Board met with Gary Mac regarding various programs for rural communities including: Rural Cooperative Development Grant (RCDG), Rural Business Opportunity Grant (RBOG), Rural Business Enterprise Grant Program (RBEG), Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program (RMAP) Community Facilities Programs.

HUD

The IDA met with Esperanza Huligan regarding various programs for Colonia designated areas including:

Choice Neighborhood Implementation Grant

Transformation Initiative: Sustainable Communities Research Grant Program

Choice Neighborhood Planning Grant

Colonia Designated Grants

CAG

The IDA met with Al Larson to explore different ways the IDA of Gila County can work together with CAG. CAG works the administrative side of USDA loans. Mr. Larson suggested looking into green programs, a college of mining (South Dakota School for the Mines—good example), Prop 202 funds for community needs, pools of money available through EDA for tribal needs.

CPLC

The IDA met with John Ramirez and Teresa Miranda to discuss CPLC's Small Business Lending and Support Program and various other opportunities CLPC has to offer rural communities.

Maricopa IDA

The IDA Board met with Tom Manos to discuss partnering with MCIDA on bond issues and other projects.

Max Trax Racing Group

The IDA Board met on several occasions with Steve Nielsen, John McGinley and Hollywood Leary of Max Trax Racing Group to discuss the viability and feasibility of race track in Gila County.

Resolution Copper Mine

The IDA met with Adam Hawkins to extend support of Resolution Copper Mine. The Board sent a letter to Congress expressing support for Resolution Copper Mine and the land exchange. The Board continues to seek avenues to show support for Resolution Copper.

ADOT Freeway Bypass- Land Exchange

Understanding the importance of acquiring land between Globe-Miami and the proposed freeway by-pass, the IDA has attended ADOT meetings and solicited support for a land exchange of the federal land south of Globe, north of the proposed freeway bypass.

Marketing Package- HistoricGilaCounty.com

The IDA is currently working on a marketing project that will bring Gila County into the present age of technology. We're working to refresh our website with videos and photographs that will capture each unique feature of Gila County. Virtual tours and interactive maps will entice visitors to explore the areas of their specific interest. With social media and web presence being the modern day store front or brochure, the IDA will work to establish a web presence that will funnel traffic to our web-site, expose and educate virtual visitors to the many treasures found within Gila County with the goal of promoting and increasing tourism.

Printed Advertising

Arizona Highways Magazine/online

Things to do in Arizona Magazine/online

Arizona Key Travel Magazine/online

Where Travel Guide Magazine/online

Newspapers, newsletters and circulars in and around active adult communities

Golf course communities

Specific interest groups: hiking, camping, hunting, fishing, antique groups and events

Video Advertising

Movie theater pre-movie advertising

Select television channels

Future Projects for Consideration:

Hot Air Balloon Festival

National Park Services: Save America's Treasures Grant