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# DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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## Mission Statement

*To work together across neighboring communities to consistently protect and improve the unique and relatively unspoiled character of the physical, economic and social worlds we share...for the benefit of our future generations.*

## Program Updates

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End of Quarter reporting on all grants due April 30<sup>th</sup>.

- **USDA Local Food Promotion Program – Virtual Marketplace:**
  - NEW GRANT AWARD – Local Food Promotion Program – SWFL Virtual Marketplace.
- **EDA CEDS Planning Grant:**
  - Received invitation for new CEDS three-year application. Currently working to submit.
  - CEDS Committee Invite & Vital Projects Update request sent out for the region on 4/6/26.
- **FDEP Resiliency:**
  - Held Webinar #2 on Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. Webinar #3 is scheduled for Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00a.m.
- **EPA Brownfields:**
  - Reschedule of Brownfields Forum, due to EDA training.
  - Continuing to work closely with consultant for the Regional Brownfields Reuse Strategy Plan and the Moore Haven Revitalization Plan. Progress with Site Access and Phase I's.
- **FDEM LEPC, HMEP and Hazard Analysis (HA):**
  - Attended SERC (State Emergency Response Commission) and LEPC Meetings in St Augustine on April 9<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup>.
- **VISTA Volunteer Update:**
  - Recruitment of nine VISTA volunteers will begin once the partial shutdown is lifted.
- **FHERO (FL Heartland Economic Region of Opportunity):**
  - Quarterly Reporting - deliverables and Invoice.

## Management/Operations

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- Coordinated and prepared Monthly Agenda's and items to include in the agenda packet.
- Prepared Monthly Financials, Budget Amendment, and Financial Projections for FY.
- FY24-25 Audit
- Weekly Payroll and Tax Payments
- Monthly Accounts Payables & Receivables

## City of Punta Gorda Coordination

- Coordination with City of Punta Gorda and CFRPC - Next In person LDR community workshop scheduled for **April 16<sup>th</sup> for 4pm**

## Upcoming Meetings/Events:

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### *SWF Resiliency Coalition: Resiliency Webinar Series*

- 01/21/26: 10am – 11am
- 03/25/26: 10am – 11am
- 05/27/26: 10am – 11am

### *SWF Brownfields Forum*

- RESCHEDULED: Tentative Date: May 13th ~~04/22/26 – 10am – 12pm~~

## County Meeting Updates:

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- Charlotte County: *Waiting for Lee and/or Sarasota*
- Lee County: 9/30/25 - EDO & Assistant County Manager.  
TBD - County Manager
- Sarasota County: 10/6/25 - In person meeting with County Manager.  
1/6/26 – rescheduled,  
2/3/26 - Meeting with Commissioner Mast – follow ups with assistant and the commissioner in process.  
4/7/26 – Reached out to County Administrator to schedule follow-up meeting.