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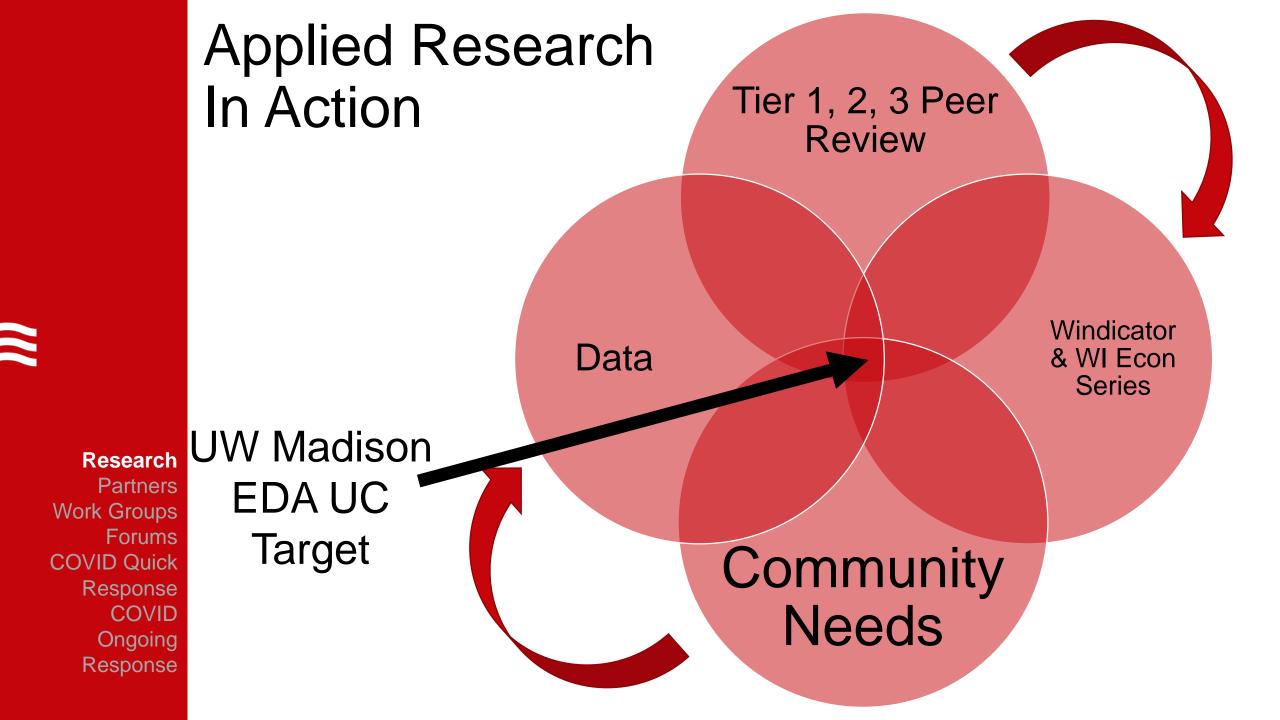
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1 July 2019

University of Wisconsin Extension officially merges with University of Wisconsin-Madison



Community Needs





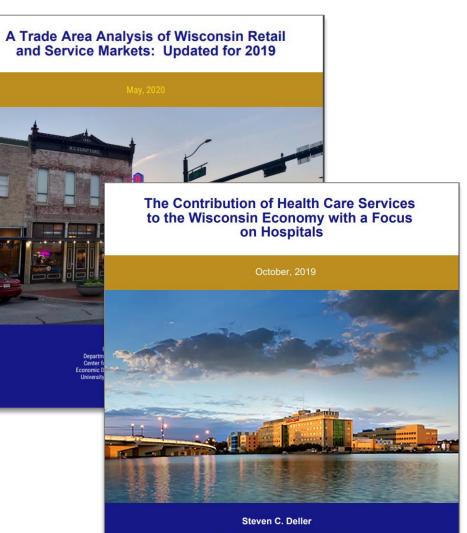
The Contribution of Agriculture to the Wisconsin Economy: An Update for 2017

UGUST, 201



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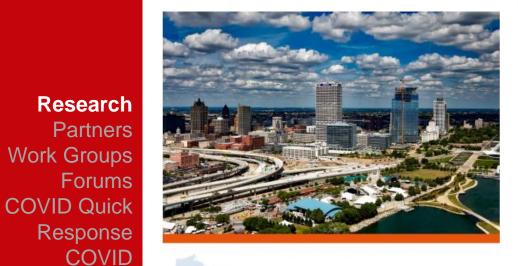


Student Loan Debt: WIndicators A Challenge for Wisconsin? Volume 3, Number 1

Broadband in Economic WIndicators Development Volume 3, Number 2

WIndicators

COVID-19 Vulnerable Business Owners by Race & Ethnicity Volume 3, Number 3





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Wisconsin

Volume 2, Number 4

WIndicators



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- Where in Wisconsin is Income Inequality Most Pronounced? – Updated and adapted WIndicator published by WisContext: <u>https://www.wiscontext.org/where-wisconsin-incomeinequality-most-</u> pronounced?tbclid=IwAR0aqgEoA_UHoKIHFzISTJvdR CCpE5h1u6kbR5I4qNZBOGmNrZKDtrEWZV0
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 City of Durand
 Columbia County Economic Development Corporation - Compeer Groundbreakers Advisory Board -Competitive Wisconsin Inc. • Cottage Grove Chamber of Commerce • Fond du Lac County • Forward North Fox Valley Economic Development Professionals - Green County Economic Development Corporation - Grow North Economic Development Organization - Lac du Flambeau Tribe of the Lake Superior Chippewa Nation • Madison Region Economic Partnership Northwest Regional Planning Commission • Outagamie County • Ozaukee County • Pepin County - Prosperity Southwest - Red Cliff Band of the Lake Superior Chippewa Nation -Southwest Regional Economic Development Commission - The Forest County Potawatomi -Town of Cottage Grove - Unity College (Maine) - University of Minnesota Extension - Village of Belleville • Village of Cassville • Village of Cottage Grove • Village of Ellsworth • Village of Mineral Point • Village of Mount Horeb • Village of Waunakee Visions Northwest • Washington County • Waukesha County • Wisconsin Counties Association • Wisconsin Economic Development Association - Wisconsin IMPLAN Working Group - Wisconsin Rural Partners -Wisconsin State Journal - Wood County

Research-Supported Work Groups



Entrepreneurs of Color Support Team

Housing Work Group

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Entrepreneurs of Color Support Team (5 of 7 members)

Workforce Development Work Group

Research-Supported Outreach Teams



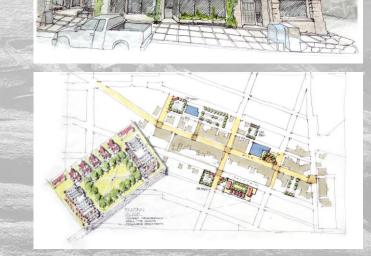
Community Vitality & Placemaking Team

Wisconsin Design Team

Wood County REDI Initiative with Purdue Center for Regional Development

Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) Survey with Wisconsin Economic Development Association

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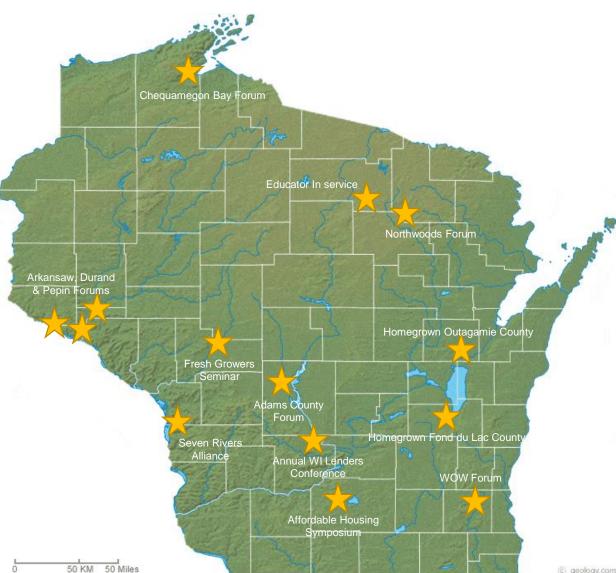


Mineral Point community design charrette received support from the EDA UC team in the form of trade area analyses, economic analyses and survey work

Research Forums, Meetings & Conferences

Chequamegon Bay on Lake Superior, Bayfield County WI

Year Four Tour March – June 2020



Southern Regional Science Association Annual Conference, Savannah GA

 Regional Science International Association World Congress, Marrakech, Morocco

Conference, Walla Walla WA



Homegrown: Entrepreneurship in Your Community, Missouri



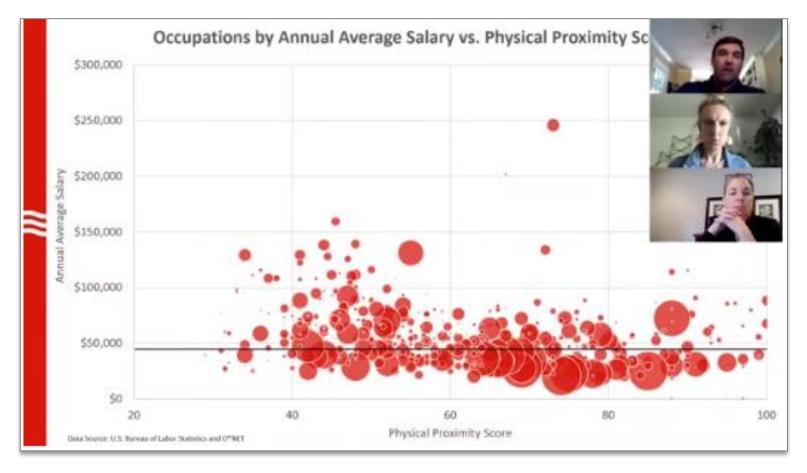
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COVID 19 Quick Response

Late Summer in the Driftless Region, Southwestern Wisconsin

(Online) Wisconsin!



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COVID Quick Response: Weekly Lunch-n-Learn Webinars

Who's vulnerable? Considering industry and occupation in the face of COVID-19

Division of Extension Department of Agricultural and Applied Ecor

Industry and Occupation During COVID-19 Dr. Matt Kures, MS & Dr. Tessa Conroy June 3, 2020



Lessons From the 1918 Flu Pandemic Dr. Tessa Conroy May 13, 2020

April 22, 2020



A Study Group Approach to Housing: The Case of Waunakee Dr. Sharon Lezberg & Dr. Kristin Runge April 15, 2020



Broadband in Rural Economic Development Dr. Tessa Conroy April 8, 2020

A New Tool to Measure Downtown Vitality in Mid Size Communities

Bill Ryan, MBA Community Development Institute

Karina Ward, AICP Ozaukee County Extension

A New Tool to Measure Downtown Vitality in Mid Size Communities Bill Ryan, MBA & Karina Ward, AICP April 29, 2020



Exposed: The Potential Impact of COVID-19 on the Tourism & Service Economy Matt Kures, MS April 1, 2020



A Systems Approach to Community Economic Development: Why It Matters Now More Than Ever Dr. Steven Deller March 25, 2020





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Lake Michigan Shoreline in Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Scaling the EDA UC Team

County Educators

Brandon Hofstedt, PhD Program Manager Community Economic Development

Professor Gail Huycke Broadband Specialist Community Development Institute

Rachel Ramthun

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Associate Community Development Specialist **Community Development Institute**

50 KM 50 Miles

GrowthWheel

- Build business development capacity
 - Agriculture
 - Food Systems
 - Community Development



- Add value with industry-specific expertise and culturally responsive tailoring
 - Food entrepreneurs
 - Entrepreneurs of Color
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- "Entrepreneur capture" and resource alignment
 - Engage entrepreneurs in structured conversations that advance goals
 - Bring them into the pipeline of a statewide network of resources

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Goals:

- 1. Our participants better understand (the breadth and diversity of) their local entrepreneurial network.
- 2. Our participants see themselves as part of that network.
- 3. Our participants identify strategies to engage in the network more intentionally and help their community become more entrepreneurial.

Increased Data Collection

- COVID-19 Impact on Households I, August 2020
- Biennial Wisconsin Economy Survey, October 2020
- COVID-19 Impact on Households II, August 2021

- Survey of Financial Institutions (with WEDA), Summer 2020
- COVID-19 Impact on Municipalities, EDOs, Fall 2020
- Community Panel Pilot, January 2021

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Year in Summary



Lake Mendota Shoreline at the UW Madison Campus

Pre-Determined Goals

- Bring place-specific data to stakeholders
- Build relationships between EDA UC and RPCs, local economic development corporations, economic development professionals
- Increase access to resources of the University

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Provide data necessary to build research-based solutions to local challenges and opportunities

Unexpected Outcomes

- Higher profile and amplified research agenda after merger
- Significantly greater number of new partners than expected
- COVID-19 increased demand for data and research in the immediate-term and over the long term

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- COVID-19 increased need for outreach, business counseling, network development, and support for entrepreneurs
- Significantly expanded team and programmatic offerings

Questions?

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