**Top Rural Development Initiative**

**2021 Nomination Form**

**PLEASE FILL OUT THE FORM BELOW. WHEN COMPLETED YOU CAN E-MAIL IT WITH THIS AS AN ATTACHMENT TO** [sandydecker74@gmail.com](mailto:sandydecker74@gmail.com)

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| **Nominated Project/Activity Name/Title:** | | |  | | |
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| **Describe the initiative (check all Project Areas that apply):** | | | | | |
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| Agriculture  Arts & Creative Economy  Community Development & Placemaking  Economic Development  Education | | | | Family / Intergenerational  Health  Technology  Natural Resources  Tourism  Community Resiliency | |
| **Contact Information for the Initiative:** | | | |  | |
| Name: |  | | | Phone: |  |
| Address |  | | | Email: |  |
| City/Zip Code: |  | | | Website: |  |
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| **Nominator Information (If Different):** | | |  | |
| Name: |  | | Phone: |  |
| Address |  | | Email: |  |
| City/Zip Code: |  | | Website: |  |
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| In 700 words or fewer, please address the following:   * Give a brief history and description of the initiative and any innovative ideas and approaches\* * Explain how this initiative demonstrates the spirit of partnership and collaborative decision-making identifying the number and diversity of partners, including citizen involvement. * What are the project outcomes and accomplishments and community impact? (Identify any measures of success). * Describe the long term impact of this initiative in the project areas marked above (agriculture, arts, creative economy . . .) * Describe how other communities can use this initiative as a model   *\*Please note preference may be given to initiatives that have moved out of the planning and into the implementation phase.* | | | | |
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**2021 Nomination Scoring Form**

**Name of Nominated Initiative**:

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|  | **Excellent**  **(5)** | **Good**  **(4)** | **Average**  **(3)** | **Fair**  **(2)** | **Poor**  **(1)** |
| 1. Innovative ideas or approaches. |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Higher score for initiatives that describe a unique approach.* | | | | | |
| 1. Implemented through strong partnership and collaborative decision-making? |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Higher score for numbers and diversity of partners, including citizen involvement, that are instrumental to the success of the initiative.* | | | | | |
| 1. Provides outcomes and accomplishments? |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Higher score for initiatives that clearly show measures of success and widespread community impacts* | | | | | |
| 1. Has shown or has potential for long term impact? |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Higher score for initiatives with impact in several of the project areas marked on the first page (agriculture, arts . . .).* | | | | | |
| 1. Model for other communities? |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Higher score for initiatives with unique circumstances and ideas, but that highlight an institutional solution to a problem that can be cultivated in another area.* | | | | | |
| **Total Score:** | | | | | |
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| **Reviewer Comments:** | | | | | |
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