Project Rising Tide (PRT) June 18, 2018 Meeting

Attending: Alicia Boyd – TED; Paula Holtz – MEDC CATeam; Michelle Bennett – Beckett & Raeder; Sister Peg Albert – Siena Heights University; Rep Bronna Kahle – Michigan House of Rep; Lynne Punnett – Habitat for Humanity; Dusty Steele – Kiwanis/Raymond James Financial; Ashley Hutchison – Adrian Area Chamber/D & P Communications; Chris Miller – City of Adrian

Alicia presented an overview of the program and process. After the overview there was robust discussion of the program and potential goals for the City of Adrian. Among the specifics identified was the following:

- Program is projected to run for one year
- Anticipated date for roundtable convened by Governor Snyder is Aug 28
- Beckett & Raeder will monitor focus of project and bring appropriate skill set and tools
- Paula Holtz will manage meetings and will be fully engaged in all meetings
- # of local projects is finite but not predetermined; capacity of community will determine – 1st round communities did between 1 and 6 projects
- The focus is not exclusively the City of Adrian, the language is focused on “community”
- State agencies will collaborate with City
- State participation focus is on technical assistance and bringing state stakeholder entities to the table, not on capital
- PRT can result in optimizing receipt of grants
- Project selection can occur in the early stages before Governor’s roundtable or broad community engagement

Goals/Action items:

- Plan for the Governor’s meeting as a launch of the event as opposed to an open meeting to consider project options
- Develop list of roundtable participants of roughly two dozen (or less)
- Specific community participation plan prior to the roundtable
- Consider roundtable additions as a gallery with some opportunity to provide input
- Hold 2-3 meetings with roundtable members to narrow focus and determine specific projects prior to August 28th
- Develop list of accomplishments/programs to distribute to roundtable participants and community at large