

XAXLI'P COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN (CEDP) – SPECIAL

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- ◆ Xaxli'p 5-year Strategic Community Economic Development Plan
- ◆ 6-month project—community input (on & off reserve)
- ◆ Input—Economic Development vision, values, goals & priorities
- ◆ Input—through survey focused on economic development
- ◆ Research governance structure
- ◆ Develop capacity in community

Hello Everyone:

I was hired on October 5th as the CEDP Project Manager. Xaxli'p received approval and funding from INAC, to do a Community Economic Development Plan (CEDP) project (October 5, 2010—March 31, 2011). The Xaxli'p Comprehensive Community Planning (XCCP) project, economic development was identified as one of the five priorities.

What is economic development? That's the topic we'll address in the next six months. This project is important as Xaxli'p continues to grow and develop as a community. Looking around our community, Xaxli'p has a lot of potential and to develop our own economy, we need to work together to put in place a plan that

benefits us today and into the future. We also have to look beyond our community to our neighbors to see what is happening and how it will affect us.

In March, Xaxli'p will have a 5-year Strategic Community Economic Development Plan, and will also have researched governance structure options required to implement the Plan.

The project team will be gathering information from on and off reserve community members on economic development vision, values, goals and priorities.

The information gathering will be done beginning with a survey specifically focused on economic development. We will have meetings twice a month (Tuesday evenings), to gain input and par-

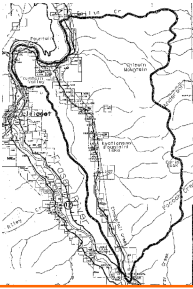
ticipation from community members.

We will have a Drop-In day (Fridays) at the Xaxli'p Education Centre. You can stop in at any time to have coffee or tea, snacks and talk with Jack and Emerson about your economic development ideas or if you have any questions.

We are available at any time if you would like to have one-on-one talk with us, at the office or wherever you would like to meet. Just call us at the Administration office (250-256-4800).

I look forward to seeing you at our meetings, activities or at Drop-In day.





XAXLI’P TRADITIONAL TERRITORY

**THE FUTURE
DEPENDS ON WHAT
WE DO IN THE
PRESENT.
MAHATMA GANDHI**

Assistant—Jack Narcisse

Hello People:

My name is Jack Narcisse, son of Charlie Narcisse and Ida Edwards. Grandson of Theophile Narcisse and Celestine Dan, and Jack Edwards and Celestine Bob.

I’ve been hired as an Assistant for the Community Economic Development Plan Project (CEDP). I will be working with Emerson Adolph (Assistant), Pauline Michell (Project Manager) and Colleen Jacob (Consultant). It will be fun working with these people.

I have always been interested in the development of our community. We have a lot of potential. Now all we

need is a plan to develop and implement them. Through this project and with your input and participation we will develop a plan to do that.

In talking to people throughout the years, we talked about what can be done here at Xaxli’p. For example: The Ranch, The Number Ranch, The Flats, and individual businesses such as arts and crafts, medicines and gardens.

In the next 6-months, we will be gathering information from community members regarding your thoughts on community economic development. We will do this through one on one

meetings, community meetings and surveys. The information we gather will be helpful for our project.

I am anxious to get started, for this is a new experience for me. Usually I am working outside, but now I will learn how to work with computers, work dealing with people, learn how to do up reports and learn how to do surveys.

I am very excited to come to your house to chat and gain your valuable information. So have the tea ready. Ahoa.

All my relations.

Jack Narcisse

Assistant—Emerson Adolph

Kalhwa7al’ap (Hello everyone),

I am pleased to say I have been successful in my application for one of the Assistant positions for the Community Economic Development Plan project. I will be working with

Jack Narcisse, fellow Assistant, Pauline Michell, Project Manager and Colleen Jacob, Consultant.

During the next six months, we will be working towards developing a 5 year Strategic Community Economic Development Plan for

Xaxli’p. We will be consulting community members for their valued input that will assist in the production of the 5 year plan.

Our consultation methods will include contact through telephone, email, Open House, door to door



AERIAL VIEW OF FOUNTAIN VALLEY

Emerson Adolph—continued

visitations, survey and last but not least, scheduled meetings.

My experience of two years working as the Eco-Tourism Coordinator with Nora Billy and the consulting firm, Urban Systems will be of some assistance. We believe we can utilize the Eco-Tourism Feasibility Study that was developed to gather information that may be beneficial towards the

5 year plan.

Further, I was recently employed by Xaxli'p during the Xaxli'p Comprehensive Community Planning (XCCP) process.

While working on the XCCP, we became familiar with the needs, wants and frustrations of community members. Through this familiarization we became aware that community members identified a need for eco-

nomie development.

Through this project we can pick up where we left off and take it to the next step.

I am eager to hear your thoughts and your input towards economic development. I look forward to assisting the team in producing the 5 Year Strategic Community Economic Development Plan for Xaxli'p.



AERIAL PICTURE OF
XAXLI'P, MAIN RESERVE

Xaxli'p CEDP Project

Schedules:

- 1) Drop-In—Fridays, starting October 22nd
 - Survey available
 - Visit with Jack and Emerson
 - As the project progresses, information will be displayed
- 2) Community Meetings
 - Twice a month—Tuesday evenings

Activities:

- 1) Contest—draw your community from an economic development point of view
- 2) Survey—tentative start—November
- 3) Home visits by Assistants / One-on-One
- 4) Meet with High School Students
- 5) Information table—Elders luncheon; community meetings/gatherings

**ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT IS A
POLICY IN PRACTICE
& A GOAL IN
PROCESS, YET
THERE IS NO END
POINT**



XAXLI'P COMMUNITY
GARDEN

Xaxli'p Community Economic Development Plan



CONTEST

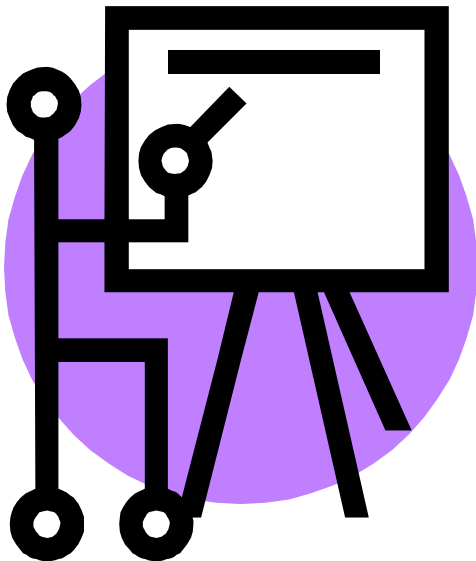


Draw your community

First Prize: \$100

Second Prize: \$ 50

Your vision of Xaxli'p with your economic development idea.



*Be creative, think "outside the box".

Deadline: To be announced

Location: Xaxli'p

IDEAS

Guest Ranch

Ski Hill

Stores

Tubing Hill

Lodges

Tour Guides

Post Office

Hunting Guides

Orchards

Movie Business

Golf Course

Extreme Sports

Driving Range

Interpretive Centre

Drop entries off at the office or

Forward entries to:

Project Manager: Pauline Michell

Project Assistant: Jack Narcisse

Project Assistant: Emerson Adolph

P.O. Box 1330

