



Extension

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

Community Development Programming: July - September 2025

Extension Community Development Educator Pat Malone provides education to assist leaders, communities, and businesses reach their fullest potential. This can include leadership development, community economic development, local government education and more. The Community Development Educator provides education that meets local needs.



Completed and On-going Projects

- Columbus Community Development Association moved ahead with First Impressions exchange with Dodgeville. The visit was conducted on June 11th. Participants supplied comments and photos to Malone through July. She has been compiling the results and preparing a final report to be shared with the Dodgeville team.
- The Dodgeville team conducted their visit of Columbus. Currently waiting for their final report.
- Continue participation in Extension teams-housing, organizational leadership, and community economic development.

Current Projects

- Participating in a team to develop a regional housing summit for southeast Wisconsin. Counties include Dodge, Jefferson, Waukesha, Washington, Kenosha, and Milwaukee. We are developing an agenda for the summit based on previous regional summits and needs specific to our region. This includes looking at how managing weather emergencies can be incorporated into housing concerns. We are also currently in the process of identifying and inviting potential partners.
 - Rationale: Housing was identified as a priority issue during the Dodge County needs assessment and state-wide needs assessment.
 - Regional summits have proven to be an effective first step in energizing

communities to take active steps in addressing housing issues.

- The PATH of Hustisford was created after participating in a community-wide charette facilitated by Todd Johnson, one of Extension Community Development specialists. Pattie Carroll, HDRI educator, participated in the program to represent the local Extension office. As one of the action steps, PATH will be hosting one of four annual Small Community Forums. These forums are opportunities for members of small communities to address common issues, network, share best practices, and identify strategies to address shared concerns. This educator was asked to facilitate roundtable discussions being held at the end of the Hustisford session. Working with Tracy Malterer, Malone developed key questions and a process to encourage dialogue and problem solving.
- The Hustisford session will be held on October 7th starting with registration at 7:30 a.m. in the Hustisford Community Hall. If you are interested in small, rural Wisconsin communities and want to see what PATH has been doing in Hustisford, you are encouraged to attend.



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