

ANNUAL REPORT 2021 BUILDING A STRONG FOUNDATION







A MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO

It is truly my honor to pen the first Annual Report for Lincoln Economic Advancement & Development, Inc. LEAD got its official start on March 16, 2021, but this report represents years of conversations, dreams, aspirations, organizing, fundraising, and collaboration.

LEAD exists because of a dedicated board of individuals who strive to leave a potential-filled legacy for generations of Lincoln residents. We are happy to devote our time and effort to this undertaking and gratefully embark upon this journey with steadfast supporters like you.

2021 was a foundation-building year. We developed basic policies for daily operations and held listening sessions with many of you to understand our collective intentions for Lincoln. These activities set the tone for our first Strategic Plan.

The contents of this report will walk you through some of our most important inaugural work: the generation of our Mission, Vision, Values, our first Strategic Plan, and some highlights from the businesses we were able to help along the way. I hope that this gives you an understanding of the foundation on which we are planning LEAD's future and inspires you to take this journey with us.

In grateful service,

Andrea L. Runge Chief Executive Officer

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To empower Lincoln's economic health and vitality.

This mission allows LEAD's current and future leadership to strive in bringing economic health to Lincoln and its residents. The addition of "vitality" serves to remind us that our work will never be completed. To remain vital in any environment will take continued assessment and adaptation to ensure sustainability for our future.

MISSION





To become the community of choice.

LEAD's vision reminds us that being the community of choice means being the best Lincoln we can be in all ways. How else could we aspire to be the choice of individuals, families, entrepreneurs, and businesses? It also reminds us that how we see ourselves is a choice that we make together each day. Focusing on what makes Lincoln great is a choice that we share collectively and will be key in shaping a sustainable future.

CORE VALUES



TRUST

- We follow through on our promises.
- We respect all clients, partners, and residents.
- We diligently search for the right solutions.

STEWARDSHIP



- We utilize community resources sustainably.
- We listen to our clients and care about their needs.
- We connect people and ideas in search of equitable prosperity.

COLLABORATION



- We strive for mutually beneficial partnerships.
- We understand that we are stronger together.
- We create our future as a community.

HOSPITALITY



- We treat everyone as a potential client.
- We celebrate our small-town roots.
- We ease the burden of our customers.

OPTIMISM



- We focus on what is possible.
- We celebrate outside the box thinking.
- We believe in Lincoln.



STRATEGIES

Within our strategies, we have developed training sessions, communication strategies, and navigation for grant programs. Every conversation, administrative task, and financial report strengthens the base on which we plan to build an amazing future for Lincoln. The road will not always be easy. We will encounter twists, turns, disappointments, and celebrations. It is our hope that the foundation laid by our work in 2021 will be rooted in our collective assets and will give us the strength to stretch to increasingly higher, shared prosperity.









2021 HIGHLIGHTS











Web Provider Expansion



Apprenticeship Launch



1 Business Acquisition



Leader Relationships Established



17 Back 2 Business Grant Applications



Business



Consultations

2021 YEAR END FINANCIALS

Externally prepared as of December 31, 2021

Balance Sheet

Assets:

| Cash | \$ 202,640 |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| Pledges Receivable | \$ 217,742 |
| Reserve for Uncollectable Pledges | \$ (10,000) |
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410,382

Liabilities & Net Assets:

Total Assets

| Retirement Plan Payable | \$ - |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Payroll Liabilities | \$ 2,221 |
| Deferred Revenue | \$ 217,742 |
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| Total Liabilities | \$ 219,963 |
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| Net Assets - Unrestricted | \$ 190,419 |
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| Total Liabilities & Net Assets | \$ 410,382 |

Income Statement

| SBCN Income | \$ 5,582 |
|----------------------|---------------|
| Miscellaneous Income | \$ 852 |
| Pledges Received | \$ 144,050 |
| Total Income | \$ 150,484 |

Expenses:

Net Income

| Insurance | \$ 2,261 |
|-------------------|--------------|
| Marketing | \$ 3,555 |
| Postage | \$ 155 |
| Meetings & Meals | \$ 38 |
| Telephone | \$ 794 |
| Bank Fees | \$ 66 |
| Dues | \$ 550 |
| Corporate Filings | \$ 32 |
| Printing | \$ 35 |
| Conferences | \$ 723 |
| Website | \$ 117 |
| Meet & Greet | \$ 1,285 |
| Supplies | \$ 661 |
| Gift Baskets | \$ 114 |
| Payroll | \$ 63,750 |
| Payroll Taxes | \$ 5,330 |
| Employee Benefits | \$ 8,529 |
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| Total Expenses | \$ 87,994 |
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| Income | \$ 62,490 |
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2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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