

2010 Annual Report



Northern Tier
Regional Planning and Development Commission



Our Mission

To help businesses expand their markets,
generate employment, improve the local economy,
and plan for the future development
of the Northern Tier region.

Our Vision

To be a leader in developing people,
businesses, and communities
for a globally competitive region.



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Susquehanna County Courthouse

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2010 was another year of significant growth and change in the Northern Tier, and we are pleased to share highlights of the Northern Tier Regional Planning and Development Commission's (NTRPDC's) work in support of our region. One overarching theme has been the natural gas industry—every aspect of our work continues to be impacted by the changes to our region due to the continued exploration and development of the Marcellus Shale.

Our staff aims to provide reliable information and guidance in navigating these issues, and to help ensure that the people, businesses, and local governments of Bradford, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Tioga, and Wyoming counties derive as much benefit as possible from natural gas development.

For example, we are helping to prepare our local workforce for good jobs in the natural gas industry through initiatives such as our FIT4 Natural Gas training program. Bradford County led the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in net job growth in the past year, and Tioga County's job gains were third-best in the state.

To connect local business and service providers with energy companies, we partnered in the Marcellus Shale Business to Business Expo, achieving record attendance of more than 5,000 people. We will build on that success with another expo this June.

We continue to support local governments in addressing the impacts of Marcellus Shale activity on the local economy, infrastructure, schools, emergency services, and so many other aspects of life. We continue to build relationships with other regions and state agencies to secure more support and resources in working to address these challenges and opportunities.

Thank you to our hardworking staff, the Executive Committee, and the Advisory Committees for their continued vision and commitment as we work toward a future where our way of life is preserved and our resources are used wisely to promote prosperity and opportunity.

● Kevin D. Abrams
Executive Director

● Leon Allen
Chairperson

Funding Sources

Funding source revenues recognized at fiscal year-end, June 30, 2010

Federal			
Appalachian Regional Commission			
Enterprise Development	\$310,000		
Local Development District	\$36,000		
U.S. Department of Commerce			
Economic Development Administration	\$78,000		
U.S. Department of Defense			
Procurement Technical Assistance	\$64,000	Federal Total \$5,065,000	
U.S. Department of Transportation			
Federal Highway Administration	\$250,000		
U.S. Department of Labor			
Workforce Investment Act	\$2,206,000		
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act	\$408,000		
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services		\$1,713,000	
State			
Pennsylvania Department of Transportation			
Rural Transportation Program	\$10,000		
Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development			
Enterprise Development	\$322,000	State Total \$458,000	
Export Development	\$54,000		
Keystone Opportunity Expanded Zone (KOEZ)	\$4,000		
Energy	\$57,000		
Pennsylvania Route 6 Heritage Corporation	\$11,000		
Local			
County Contributions	\$60,000	Local Total \$60,000	
Total Program Funds		\$5,583,000	

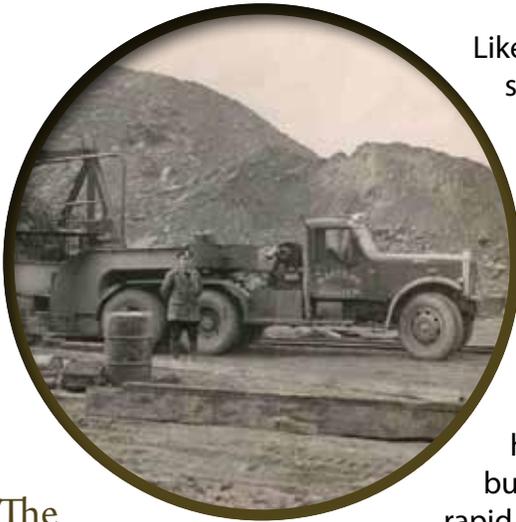
Loan Impact

Borrower	Jobs Retained	Jobs Created	Loan Amount	Leveraged Amount
Rusty Canyon Motel	0	4	\$200,000	\$250,000
Shinn Construction	4	2	\$25,000	-
Robert Ermisch Barber Shop	1	1	\$25,000	-
Masters RMC, Inc.	35	15	\$300,000	\$776,034
Soil Services	5	1	\$25,000	-
Five Star Equipment	7	15	\$25,000	-
Wysox Equities, LLC	0	10	\$100,000	\$325,000
Taurus Services	24	1	\$25,000	-
Metadyne, Inc.	27	3	\$100,000	\$550,000
Aleah's Style on the Mile	5	2	\$7,000	\$28,000
Mike Baumunk Trucking	0	1	\$25,000	\$135,000
JLRB, Inc., d/b/a Twigs Restaurant	11	2	\$25,000	-
Maple Knoll Farm	5	1	\$125,000	\$275,000
Total Loan Impact	124	58	\$1,007,000	\$2,339,034



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Loan Program Helps Family Business Expand



The Masters family of businesses was established in 1932 by Richard S. Masters, Sr. Now the three-generation business operates Masters RMC, Inc., and other support businesses. The original concrete manufacturing company, established in 1951, has been serving customers with a quality product and family friendly service for 60 years.

Like many well-established businesses in our region, Masters RMC, Inc., saw an opportunity for expansion to help support the growing needs of the natural gas industry. They started by selling bulk tonnage of dry powders and ready-mix cement from their plant in Kingsley to contractors associated with the industry.

As demand for their product grew, they decided to increase their capacity by constructing a new facility in Tunkhannock in 2010. NTRPDC's loan program helped leverage their investment by providing \$300,000 through Small Business First and Revolving Loan Fund financing. The new plant enables the company to produce a larger hourly volume of cement and facilitates the handling of dry powder bulk items in large quantities. The plant is located at the "epicenter" of rapid growth and demand. The investment has enabled Masters RMC to retain 35 employees and create 15 new jobs.

ARC Grants Support Water and Sewer Projects

The Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) is a federal-state partnership that supports economic development in the Appalachian Region. Each year, NTRPDC works with our economic development committee and board to prioritize projects for possible funding. NTRPDC writes proposals and grant applications on behalf of the applicants to secure funding. ARC provided investment to two projects in 2010: the Wysox Township Municipal Water Project (\$200,000) and the Forest City Sanitary Sewer System Project (\$200,000).

Water quality in Wysox Township is poor, due to known petroleum leaks and a chemical spill in a commercial area known as the "Golden Mile." Homes in the Lake Wesauking neighborhood use the lake water as a water source despite the risk of bacterial contamination. The Wysox Township Municipal Water Project will allow for extension of public water service to eliminate more than 20 small water supplies and provide service to more than 500 customers. This project will also enable new retail development along Route 6. The ARC grant is part of a much larger \$7.8 million dollar project that includes other state and federal funding.

Forest City Borough was under a federal court order to replace its extremely outdated system, most of which was constructed prior to 1913. The ARC grant will help offset the borrowing costs that have been assumed by the municipality through financing a large portion of the \$9.6 million dollar project.

Financial and Technical Assistance helps Municipalities Keep up with Technology

Municipal Hardware/Software Incentive Grants reimburse municipalities as much as 75 percent of the cost of upgrades to their computer systems, up to \$750. In 2010, 76 municipalities received funding totaling \$39,078. The funding can be used to purchase computers, printers, and related software such as QuickBooks to help improve efficiency and make communication easier. NTRPDC is also available for technical assistance to help with setting up the new system and other related tasks.

Health Care an Important Career Option for Students

As part of Pennsylvania's annual Health Careers Week celebration, Northern Tier high school students had the opportunity to visit one of three Health Career Fairs held in the region, at Towanda Junior/Senior High School, Susquehanna County Career and Technology Center, and Pennsylvania College of Technology's North Campus. More than 400 students learned about a wide array of occupations from health care professionals and training providers who led students through a variety of hands-on activities.

The Northeast Regional Healthcare Industry Partnership provided a Career Exploration Guide highlighting Allied Health occupations and training opportunities in our region. Students also received current health care employment information for the Northern Tier through a Health Care Fast Facts Sheet developed for Health Career Week by the Northern Tier Workforce Investment Board.

"Health care professionals play an important role in our society, and it's important that our young people learn about these careers," said Sherry Felten, Workforce Program Manager. "Health Career Week activities help students explore what may be the right career for them and help address Pennsylvania's shortage of health care professionals."



"We appreciate all that NTRPDC does for us—not just this, but throughout the entire year. Thank you!"

– Athens Township

"These grants allow us to improve our technical equipment and maintain the software it requires. A real budget stretcher!"

– Eagles Mere Borough



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Navigating Natural Gas Issues

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Preparing our Workforce

The FIT4 Natural Gas Training Program was developed by NTRPDC's Workforce Investment Board and the Central Pennsylvania Workforce Development Corporation in partnership with the Pennsylvania College of Technology. The aim is to prepare local workers for job opportunities with the gas industry, which requires specialized skills and employees who can handle the sometimes harsh working conditions. The curriculum includes an assessment and soft skills training period before participants begin technical training. "Although the course is designed to provide training to be-

come a roustabout, it truly has much more to offer if you dig deep enough," said Jerry Ogden, a recent graduate of the program. "The course provided me with the opportunity to land a job I truly enjoy with a great company in a growing industry."

Connecting Businesses

More than 5,000 people attended the Marcellus Shale Business-to-Business Expo in June at Alparon Park in Troy. It was held to connect local business and service providers with energy companies to learn about opportunities created by the exploration and development of the Marcellus Shale.

More than 250 exhibitors set up booths in every available space in the park to share their information or demonstrate their services. Another expo will take place on June 25, 2011, in Alparon Park.



Sharing Information

Representatives from nine federal agencies from the Philadelphia region met with NTRPDC staff in September to learn more about the agency, the region, and the impact of Marcellus Shale development on our economy, infrastructure, schools, emergency services, and so on. After learning about the changes our region is experiencing, Chesapeake Energy presented “Drilling 101” and then led the group on a rig tour. The visit was the first step in developing a stronger relationship with the coalition in an effort to secure more support and resources.

Staff also provided testimony to Pennsylvania legislators throughout the year to help keep them informed of the changes happening in our region. Executive Director Kevin Abrams, Regional Planning Program Manager Rick Biery, and Deputy Director Frank Thompson each informed our representatives about the economic, transportation, and workforce opportunities and challenges that have developed. Frank Thompson appeared before the Pennsylvania House Majority Policy Committee to explain how our workforce is responding to emerging opportunities in the gas industry. “Oil and gas is a legacy industry that is established in many other areas of the country... Several generations have been drilling in other states, establishing a lineage that ingrains career ladders and pay scales into the youth as they grow and choose career paths,” Thompson stated. He explained how several training programs funded through the Department of Labor and Industry and the Commonwealth are working to develop a qualified workforce for the industry.

Job Growth Impact

According to the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry and the Center for Workforce Information and Analysis, Bradford County led the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in net job growth from March 2009 to March 2010, with 2,000 jobs gained. The job growth represented a 7.2 percent increase—a sharp contrast to most counties, which suffered losses in employment during the same time-frame. Bradford County saw the unemployment rate drop from 10 percent in March 2009 to 7.4 percent in March 2010.

“I believe much of this growth has to be related to the Marcellus Shale exploration in our area,” said Frank Thompson. “Our five-county area gained 3,200 jobs in a one-year period, an unbelievable feat for such a rural area, especially considering what the rest of Pennsylvania is going through.”

Tracking the job growth related directly to the gas industry is difficult, and estimating the “multiplier jobs” is even more difficult, but the overall increase in jobs is evident. “Our region has a tendency to not have the same highs or lows as the national economy,” states the CEO of Sullivan County Rural Electric and Chairman of the WIB, Craig Harting. “But anyone driving on our roads can see the increase in traffic and it’s good to see that employment opportunities are increasing as well.”

Tioga County gained 800 jobs, the third-best improvement of the Commonwealth’s 67 counties.



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Northern Tier Open Space, Greenway, and Outdoor Recreation Plan Completed



In 2010, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Tioga, and Wyoming counties were the focus of a strategic planning process that analyzed the parks and recreation, transportation, land use, and economic development programming within the region. Bradford County had already completed its own plan, and its objectives were incorporated into this region-wide plan. The strategic plan document, available on NTRPDC's Web site (www.northerntier.org), assesses and identifies strategies to enhance existing recreation, create connections, and preserve the natural and cultural heritage of the region.

After the 18-month planning process, which included participants from each county, several areas of focus were identified:

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1. **Connections** – Connectivity is critical to making conservation and preservation effective. It also promotes the use of alternative modes of transportation. Major greenways, "blueways," trails, and scenic corridors should be identified to provide regional continuity.
2. **Recreation Facility Improvement and Development** – This is filling the gaps in the existing level of service when it comes to recreational facilities, which are primarily provided and maintained by the state.
3. **Preservation and Conservation** – Areas should be identified at both the regional and local level. A preservation prioritization system should be established in regard to which lands to protect first. Both environmental and recreational resources should be considered.
4. **Marketing and Tourism Promotion** – A regional "brand" should be established and communicated to increase the region's visibility as a premier recreation destination. This will include heritage and agritourism promotion.
5. **Funding and Resources** – With diminishing funding available for state lands, new sources of funding need to be identified to help increase the level of service and long-term maintenance and operations.
6. **Regional Partnership and Collaboration** – County and community organizations must work together to ease their reliance on state departments for recreational opportunities. Working together to increase marketing opportunities maximizes the use of resources and allows for leveraging of funds.

Youth in the Northern Tier

Summer Employment Program

Make a Difference

Twenty-six teens and young adults in Susquehanna County participated in the 2010 Northern Tier Summer Employment Program. The program allowed young people ages 14 through 24 to earn a paycheck while exposing them to the real world of working.

The participants worked for businesses or were part of crews that performed general maintenance and landscaping. Before beginning their work assignments, participants completed Academic Enrichment week—30 hours of activities led by TREHAB staff. They created resumes and cover letters, completed employment applications, learned job search and interviewing skills, participated in career exploration activities, and learned leadership skills. They were then placed in a job based on their aptitudes and interests.

This year, the youth were placed at job sites in Montrose, Great Bend, New Milford, Forest City, and Susquehanna. The work ranged from serving as custodians at Susquehanna and Montrose Area school districts to customer service work at local Pump N' Pantry stores.

The Northern Tier Summer Employment Program is funded through the Workforce Investment Act, American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, and TANF Emergency Contingency funds. Administered by NTRPDC, the program is operated in Bradford County by Bradford County Action and in Sullivan, Susquehanna, Tioga, and Wyoming counties by TREHAB.

This crew, led by Tim Gall, is busy painting as part of a remodeling project for the Susquehanna Fire Company. By participating in the Summer Employment Program, they helped improve their community and learned more about local government.



Guiding Businesses through Government Contracting

The Procurement Technical Assistance Center guides businesses through the sometimes complicated process of bidding and contracting with federal, state, and local government entities as well as with prime contractors.



The Murus Company, located near Mansfield, is a recent client that needed assistance expanding their product into the government market. Established in 1987, Murus manufactures structural insulated panels used in technologically advanced building systems.

NTRPDC walked the company through the first steps in obtaining a government-funded contract, including contractor registration, which helped match them to the most appropriate project types during a bid matching process.

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Equipment Shows Well-Attended

NTRPDC hosts two equipment shows each year to provide municipal officials with an opportunity to interact with vendors of various products and services that local governments need—from heavy equipment to paving companies, engineering consultants, and banks.

The 2010 Susquehanna and Wyoming equipment show was held in July and attracted more than 40 vendors and more than 400 attendees. The Bradford and Tioga equipment show was held in September and had more than 30 vendors and about 200 attendees.



Region Participates in USDA Pilot Economic Development Program

In July 2010, the Northern Tier region was selected from among 11 applicants in Pennsylvania to participate in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA's) nationwide Stronger Economies Together program. This pilot program is designed to help regional teams around the country develop new approaches to strengthen and enhance regional economic development activities.

A team of participants was recruited to lead the process. Meetings are held every other month with approximately 80 participants, and center on an economic development curriculum developed by USDA, delivered by instructors from Penn State Cooperative Extension.

Participants ultimately decided to focus on five issues related to development of the Marcellus Shale. The working groups for these five issues include:

1. Regional Data Collection – focusing on gathering data related to Marcellus Shale activities to establish a baseline and understand more fully the effects of Marcellus Shale development and how to react to those effects more efficiently. Will allow for continued data collection to assess changes in the local economy, housing, water quality, and other indicators important to understanding change in the region.
2. Regional Networking – focusing on building regional networks in a variety of areas to promote efficient information-sharing and collaboration. This includes sharing information among areas further along in Marcellus Shale development and those just beginning to experience that development.
3. Regional Agricultural Transitioning – focusing on transitioning agricultural assets so that agriculture and the agricultural heritage of the region are retained in the midst of changes related to the Marcellus Shale.
4. Regional Land Use and Planning – focusing on educating the public and public officials in the region on the importance of land use planning to improve quality of life in the region.
5. Keeping Regional Dollars in the Region – focusing on retaining the financial assets created by the Marcellus Shale within the region.

The team will continue to meet under the guidance of USDA and Penn State Cooperative Extension through 2011.



Workforce Online Learning Initiative Portal Provides Training

The Northern Tier Workforce Investment Board is one of three in the state selected to participate in a collaborative online workforce education and training portal grant.

The grant funds online courses and certifications in rural areas to ensure current and emerging workers are prepared for employment in high demand industries within their Workforce Investment Area.

To date, 23 employers in the Northern Tier Region have taken advantage of this opportunity to offset training costs. As a result, a total of 103 individuals have received training in areas such as Information Technology, Advanced Precision Manufacturing, and Health Care. A list of Pennsylvania-approved courses can be found online at <http://www.wolip.sreb.org>. This grant is sponsored by the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation through the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry.

Northern Tier Receives Rural Business Enterprise Grant

Congressman Christopher Carney and Thomas Williams, USDA Rural Development State Director, visited NTRPDC in August 2010 to present a \$98,000 Rural Business Enterprise Grant. The grant was used to help recapitalize revolving loan funds for start-up and existing small businesses. The current portfolio services 123 active loans totaling \$10.8 million.

Congressman Chris Carney, left, makes a presentation to NTRPDC for a \$98,000 Rural Business Enterprise Grant. Also pictured left to right: Paulette Potter, Loan Program Manager; Tom Williams, USDA State Director; and Kevin Abrams, Executive Director.



Export Assistance Supports Local Businesses

The Export Program assisted 26 clients during 2010, providing training, export counseling, and trade assistance.

Tungsten Sources in Towanda received a Market Access Grant of \$1,396 to attend the International Tungsten Industry Association Conference in Vienna, Austria. The conference gave the company an opportunity to establish contact with key producers, suppliers, and users.

Local businesses had the opportunity to benefit from international trade assistance even without traveling to other countries. Thirty-five authorized trade representatives visited the region twice in 2010 to meet with clients interested in learning more about their markets. As a result, 74 work orders from 24 different countries provided individualized assistance to 14 businesses. For example, the trade representative from India arranged potential partner meetings for Mansfield University when the representative visited India.

During the Hardwoods In-bound Buyer mission, wood buyers from Mexico, China, and Pakistan visited the Northern Tier and toured the facilities of Deer Park Lumber, Barefoot Flooring, Cummings Lumber, and Channel Veneers. Also, the trade representative from India represented NTRPDC hardwood export clients at the INDIA-WOOD show.

NTRPDC Export Development Program clients reported the following sales by country in 2010:

- Canada: \$7.2 million
- Spain: \$1.4 million
- China: \$1.2 million

Other countries include Brazil, France, Honduras, Israel, Italy, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Singapore, Taiwan, United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom, and Vietnam. Six clients reported export sales, totaling \$11 million.



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Grant Programs Support Small Businesses

The **Small Business Training Grant** is available to businesses with as many as 100 employees to cover 50 percent of eligible training costs, up to \$1,000. In 2010, 29 businesses received training grants, totaling \$17,343.55.

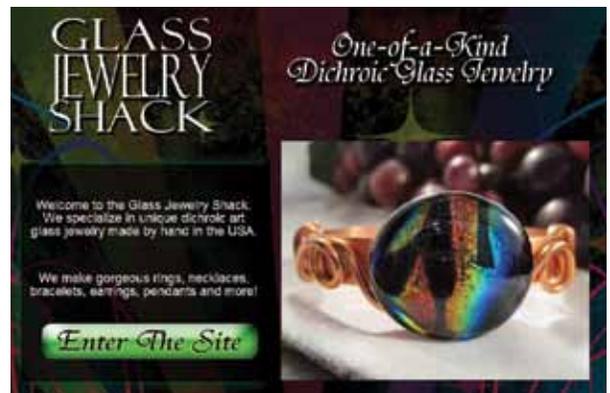
LB Printery (Industry Training)	Towanda Metadyne (Industry-Associated Conference)
Head to Toe Salon (Stylist Training)	Dairyland Sales and Service (Dealer Meeting)
Frontier Industrial (Industry Expo)	Leadership That Works (NVC Training Institute)
Century 21, Sherlock Homes, Inc. (Dale Carnegie Leadership Training)	J. Thomas Electric (Electric Inspectors Code Workshop)
Knoteworthy Cards (Web Design Training)	Farr Manufacturing (QuickBooks Training)
Something Blue Bridal (Industry-Related Convention)	Gamma's Kitchen (Management Training)
Gannon and Associates (Certification Trainings)	Tioga Office Products (Technical Education Expo)
Rockin' CJ Stables (Gaited Horse Clinic)	Andre and Son Power Sports (Dealer Show and Meeting)
Andre and Son, Inc. (Industry Trade Shows)	Taurus Services (Equipment Training)
Jurnack's Naturally (Natural Health Seminar)	Tioga Office Products 2 (Printer Service Training)
Distinctive Quilting (Business-Related Expo)	J Karp & Sons, Inc. (PGWA Field Conference)
Custom Rebuilders (Automotive Training)	Reagan Steele Jewelers (Laser Welding/IJO Conference)
Wattles Enterprises (Real Estate Broker Training)	Northern PA Notary Services (Notary Training)
Grovedale Winery (Grape Growers Conference)	
Robert Griffis & Sons, Inc. (LEED Certification/ Other Training)	

“NTRPDC has been extremely informative, I am actually contacting them about a much larger business now!”

– *The Glass Jewelry Shack*

The **Small Business Internet Grant** helps businesses establish an Internet presence, which is essential for building a business in today's environment. Fifty percent of the costs to establish a Web site (up to \$1,000) can be reimbursed to successful applicants. In 2010, 27 businesses received grants totaling \$17,889.

The Glass Jewelry Shack (Tioga)
www.glassjewelryshack.com
 Glenfiddich Wool (Tioga)
www.glenfiddichwool.com/store
 Murus Structural Insulating Panels (Tioga)
www.murus.com



Planks Model Train Repair Service (Tioga)
www.planksmodeltrainrepair.com
 J. Thomas Electric (Wyoming)
www.jthomaselectric.com
 Grovedale Winery & Vineyard, Inc. (Bradford)
www.grovedalewinery.com

Lisa Wray Art (Susquehanna)
www.lisawray.com

Edge Fitness and Martial Arts, Inc. (Bradford)
www.theedgefitness.com

PA Quarried Blue Stone Co. (Susquehanna)
www.paquarriedbluestone.com

Corbett Motors, Inc. (Bradford)
www.corbettmotorsinc.com

Susquehanna Gas Field Services (Wyoming)
www.sgfsllc.com

Brown Hill Tree Co., Inc. (Bradford)
www.brownhilltreeco.com

Walker Cake Co. (Tioga)
www.walkercakeco.com

Quad-K (Bradford)
www.quad-k.com

County Recovery Service, Inc. (Bradford)
www.countyrecoveryservice.com

Moor's Auto Sales (Bradford)
www.mooresauto.com

Border Drive Heating (Bradford)
www.borderdriveheating.com

Almost Amish Quilt Shop (Susquehanna)
www.almostamishquiltshop.com

Woolverine Games (Tioga)
www.woolverinegames.com

Laddsburg Mountain Winery (Bradford)
www.laddsburgwine.com

Resource Environmental
Management, Inc. (Susquehanna)
www.resourceem.com

Perfect Expressions (Tioga)
www.perfectexpressions.net

Endless Mountains Motel, Inc. (Sullivan)
www.endlessmtsmotel.com

Endless Mountains Wine Trail, Inc. (Bradford)
www.endlessmountainwinetrail.com

Sullivan County Motor Corps. (Sullivan)
www.sullivancountymotors.com

Northern PA Notary Services (Tioga)
www.northernpanotary.com

Head to Toe Salon & Spa (Wyoming)
www.headtooesalonandspa.com

“There are so few
places to help the
really small business
person ... thank you so
very much!”

– Lisa Wray Art



“How wonderful to have
an organization that
helps a small business
such as ours; deserves
applause! Thank you!”

– Glenfiddich Wool



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NTRPDC Membership Support

Membership Levels

Platinum: \$1,000

Gold: \$500

Silver: \$250

Bronze: \$100

Friend: \$25

NTRPDC has been an Area Loan Organization, providing lending services offered by the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED), for almost two decades. As part of recent DCED requirements, NTRPDC recently became a certified Industrial Development Agency. As required under that status, NTRPDC has incorporated as a Domestic Nonprofit Corporation known as "NTRPDC, Inc." and now offers memberships.

The NTRPDC Board of Directors invites you to join its efforts in developing people, businesses, and communities for a globally competitive region.

For more information and to join NTRPDC, please contact Kevin Abrams, Executive Director, at 570-265-1500, toll free at 888-868-8800 ext. 500 or, by e-mail: Abrams@northerntier.org.



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2010 marks the 40th anniversary of NTRPDC providing services to Bradford, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Tioga, and Wyoming counties.

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2010 Executive Board

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