

RESOLUTION 141
TOWN OF RICO

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF RICO,
COLORADO APPROVING AND ADOPTING A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
ACTION PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees, in conjunction with Colorado Healthy Communities, has developed a Community Development Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Community Development Action Plan sets forth important goals of the Town of Rico and steps for achieving those goals; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to approve and adopt the attached Community Development Action Plan for the town and begin taking the steps outlined therein for achieving the town's goals; and

WHEREAS, the Board determines and declares that the attached Community Development Action Plan is an important tool for determining and meeting the goals of the town and for providing necessary public services and facilities for the community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
TOWN OF RICO, COLORADO, AS FOLLOWS:**

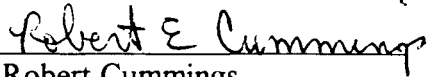
The attached Community Development Action Plan 1997 is hereby approved and adopted and shall provide guidance to the Board of Trustees and the community in achieving the goals set forth therein. The Community Development Action Plan may be updated as necessary to reflect the evolving goals and needs of the Rico community.

INTRODUCED, READ AND ADOPTED by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Rico, Colorado this 10th day of December, 1997.

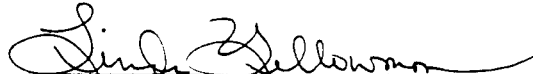
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ATTEST

By:



Robert Cummings
Mayor



Linda Yellowman
Town Clerk

Town of Rico Community Development Action Plan 1997

Public Facilities and Services

Project Description	Primary Partners	Available Resources	Resource/ Organization Gaps	Action Steps	Expected Outcomes
1. Education Educate Rico elementary children in Rico	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School District RE2J (Dove Creek) School District RA4J (Town of Dolores Schools) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vacant School Building 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local kids bused to Dolores 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Ascertain requirements for reopening local school. Work with RE2J system to open elementary school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rico elementary children schooled in Rico
2. Fire Protection Adequate facilities and equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rico Volunteer Fire Dept. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EMS Grant Donations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fire Dept. has had recent updates in building and equipment Fire trucks needed 	No Assistance Needed	
3. Gas Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fralely Propane 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charges for services 		No assistance Needed	
4. Historic Preservation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town Board Preservation Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State Historical Preservation Grants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Historical buildings need repair 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Inventory needs Assistance with grants for interested owners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain historic buildings
5. Land Use Planning Land use plan which reflects needs and desires of residents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planning Commission Town Attorney Town Board Other Planning Consultants County Planning District 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rico Community Profile Fort Lewis College Office of Community Services Current Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update of plan Consistent application of zoning and/or code enforcement 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Update plan Hire Town Manager who can act as an enforcement officer and help ensure consistent application of plan basis. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A comprehensive plan used and updated by the town. Consistent application of plan.
6. Parks & Trails Acquire and develop public parks and trails.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town of Rico GoCo Rico Planning Commission 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GoCo Grants Easements Donations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation of trails plan 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Identify park land needs Identify trails system. Grant applications to GoCo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Park and trail systems Improved community
7. Sewer Make determination on sewer system or repairs to existing individual septic.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town Board Dept. of Local Affairs Rico Renaissance Health Department 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dept. of Local Affairs Health Dept. grants Loans Plant investment fees Availability fees 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Failing septic systems Potential contamination of river. No central sewer system. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Complete 201 study on sewer system options and alternatives. Facilitate meetings with community, town board, and the various interests to reach consensus on approach. Apply for grants and/or loans if needed. Build or improve system 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quality sewage disposal which ensures compliance with State Health Regulations.

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8. Solid Waste (Sanitation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town Board • United Waste (Cortez) 		None		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contracted services
9. Telecommunications Improve communications with Dove Creek through e-mail links	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town Board • Town Clerk • Region 9 EDD 				
10. Town Manager Need for on-site manager to perform various functions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town Board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rico Budget • Dept. of Local Affairs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need manager to perform administrative functions for town. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify needs. 2. Determine budget. 3. Look for grants to fund initial year. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manager
11. Water Systems High-quality, low cost, adequately sized facility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town Board • Dept. of Local Affairs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governmental funds • Grants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Turbidity and capacity issues • Water leaks • Cast iron water line needs replacement. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do leak detection for water system. 2. Correct leaks in system or replace existing water line. 3. Dig test wells. 4. Apply for Mineral Impact Grant for water system upgrade. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High-quality, cost-effective available water supply.

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Economic Development

Project Description	Primary Partners	Available Resources	Resource/ Organization Gaps	Action Steps	Expected Outcomes
1. Business Enhancement Develop or enhance convenience store/gas station for basic items.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Rico • Region 9 EDD • Private Enterprise • SW Enterprise Zone • Fort Lewis College 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vacant Land • Current businesses for sale • FLC Small Business Development Center 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No place for locals to buy basic items such as milk, eggs, bread, etc. • Gas station does not have consistent hours. • Current small businesses may need education/assistance on marketing/planning. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Determine desires/plans of current gas station. 2. Assist current or new owners to strengthen business. 3. Do market feasibility for convenience store/gas station. 4. Provide workshop for small businesses in Rico 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local gas station/convenience store. • Strengthen existing businesses.
2. Business Opportunities Establishment of businesses and vacant storefronts for economic development.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Rico • Region 9 EDD • Private Enterprise • SW Enterprise Zone • Fort Lewis College 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vacant buildings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moratorium on new development. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Resolve sewer issues. 2. Provide assistance to new business owners. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All for new local enterprises.
3. Capital for Business Development and Business Expansion Provide business Revolving Loan Fund to Town.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Region 9 EDD Revolving Loan Fund 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Region 9 EDD RLF • SBA financing assistance • Local banks • CDBG funding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of capacity • Lack of venture capital 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Promote availability of Revolving Loan Fund. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide financial assistance • Create employment

Signature of Chief Elected Official: Robert E. Cummings Mayor of Rico, Colorado Date: 12/10/97