

# LAKE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE

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## 2023 INITIATIVES

### EDA Economic Diversification Study

- Application for resources to provide economic recovery plan and resources following GEO Group North Lake Facility closure

### Tourism Promotion

- WMTA membership, Visitors Guide and postings
- Building Tourism Assets

### Small Business Support

- **March 7** | Information Session (9a-10a @ Lake Osceola State Bank)  
Businesses will learn about youth employment and tourism resources

### Summer Youth Employment

- MI Works West Central grant for employers to pay wages for workers 16-24yrs old
- **May 1** | Summer Job Fair for Baldwin HS students (10a-noon @ Baldwin HS Gym)

### Broadband Expansion

- **April 12** | MI High Speed Internet Office Listening Tour Stop in Baldwin (5p – 7p @ The River Community Center)
- Partnership with Internet Providers on Expansion efforts and grant funding
- Community Education on Affordable Connectivity Programs being scheduled

### Land Bank Blight Elimination

- \$200,000 Round 1 project to be approved by March 31
- Round 2 funding expected by summer

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