

Main Street Solutions Fund Annual Report

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations
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FROM: Elizabeth H. Parham

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Executive Summary

The Main Street Solutions Fund (MSSF) was initially proposed as Senate Bill 1092 in 2009 and adopted in 2009-2010 as section 14.10 G.S. 143B-472.35. This Statute was rewritten in 2010 for a second round of grant awards with updated guidelines. In 2014-2015, a third round of funding was appropriated. We are submitting an annual report to explain the results of the grant activity for award cycles, 2009-2010, 2010-2011 and 2014-2015.

The Fund was established with a \$2.0 million balance for FY 2009-2010. In accordance to the Act, \$1,950,000 million was committed to eight (8) communities in May 2010. Grant awards to communities could not total less than (\$20,000) or more than (\$300,000), and \$50,000 was retained for the administration of the Fund by the Department of Commerce.

In May 2010, eight grants were awarded to: Burlington (\$298,460), Henderson (\$299,004), La Grange (\$ 93,581), Kings Mountain ((\$185,000), Morganton (\$ 271,455), Rocky Mount (\$202,500), Waynesville (\$300,000) and Wilson (\$300,000). The City of Rocky Mount encountered a project change resulting in a funding reduction of \$102,500. The Town of La Grange also encountered a small project change resulting in a funding reduction of \$6,450. The projects that were to occur in the Town of Waynesville, City of Wilson, City of Kings Mountain and the City of Henderson suffered unforeseen hardships and were forced to forfeit their grant awards. This money was un-encumbered and made available to other eligible communities.

The \$757,046 fund allocation leveraged an additional \$2,152,927 in private investments and an additional \$2,909,420 in public investments. These investments supported the creation or expansion of 14 businesses and the creation or retention of 90 permanent full-time and 133 permanent part-time jobs.

Burlington, La Grange, Morganton and Rocky Mount have completed their grant projects and have been fully reimbursed. All four towns have completed their final 6 months of job reporting and have officially closed out their grant awards.

In July 2010, the Fund was recapitalized with an additional \$1.5 million for FY 2010-2011. The 2010 Statute revision added a required match of \$2 (non-state or federal dollars) for every \$1 of Solutions Fund monies. The Statute also reduced the maximum grant award to \$200,000. \$225,000 (\$75,000 per year for three years) was retained for a full-time grant administrator. \$109,322 was given up for the 2.5% budget reversion for FY 2010-2011.

In April 2011, seven grants were awarded to: Benson (\$41,389), Burnsville (\$200,000), Goldsboro (\$200,000), Highlands (\$200,000), Kinston (\$200,000), Newton (\$80,830) and Sylva (\$47,382). In June 2011, two more grants were awarded to Lenoir (\$200,000) and Salisbury (\$41,419). The Burnsville and Sylva projects experienced significant setbacks; therefore both the Town of Burnsville and the Town of Sylva relinquished their grant awards. The City of Newton encountered a project change resulting in a funding reduction of \$30,830. This money was un-encumbered and made available to other eligible communities.

The \$932,808 fund allocation leveraged an additional \$3,513,185 in private investments and an additional \$993,381 in public investments. For every \$1 invested by the State, an additional \$4.83 dollars will be invested by the local community. These investments supported the creation or expansion of 19 small businesses and the creation or retention of 92 permanent full-time and 105 part-time jobs.

Communities awarded in FY 2010-11 were given three years to complete the projects as proposed. Projects awarded in April, 2011 were completed by April 2014. Projects awarded in June were completed by June 2014. Highlands, Salisbury, Benson, Goldsboro, Kinston, Newton and Lenoir have completed their projects, turned in their 6 months of job reporting and are officially closed.

There were no new funds in 2011-2012, however funds previously unencumbered were allocated to communities. In February 2012, four grants were awarded to: New Bern (\$100,000), Pinehurst (\$200,000), Tryon (\$150,000) and Washington (\$200,000). The Pinehurst and Washington grant projects experienced significant setbacks; therefore the Village of Pinehurst and the City of Washington relinquished their grant awards. The \$250,000 fund allocation is anticipated to leverage an additional \$962,240 in private investments and an additional \$15,000 in public investments. For every \$1 invested by the State, an additional \$4.90 dollars was invested by the local community. These investments supported the creation or expansion of 4 small businesses and the creation or retention of 18 permanent full-time and 6 part-time jobs.

These communities were given three years to complete their projects as proposed. New Bern received a partial reimbursement of \$75,000 in FY 12-13 and completed their final 6 month job reporting. The

second part of their grant project was completed in October 2013 and their project is closed. Tryon has completed their project, completed their 6 month job reporting and their project is closed.

In July 2012, an additional award of (\$70,207) was made to the City of Salisbury for an expansion to their April 2011 project and an additional award of (\$25,000) was made to the City of New Bern for an expansion to the February 2012 project. The additional awards leveraged \$242,080 in private investment and supported the creation and expansion of 1 additional business that created or retained 4 full-time jobs and 12 part-time jobs. Salisbury and New Bern have both completed their final 6 month job reporting and have officially closed out their grant awards. For every \$1 invested by the State, an additional \$3.54 dollars was invested by the local community.

In FY 2013-2014, eight grants were awarded to: Tryon (\$50,000), Tarboro (200,000), Roxboro (\$175,000), Williamston (\$100,000), Garner (\$75,000), Valdese (\$64,316), Morganton (\$175,000), and Waxhaw (\$200,000). These communities were given three years to complete their projects as proposed. The Town of Waxhaw experienced a significant setback and had to relinquish their funds. The \$839,316 fund allocation is anticipated to leverage an additional \$2,451,986 in private investments and an additional \$716,897 in public investments. For every \$1 invested by the State, an additional \$3.78 dollars will be invested by the local community. These investments will support the creation or expansion of 13 small businesses and the creation or retention of 41 permanent full-time and 27 part-time jobs.

In FY 2014-2015, the General Assembly rescinded the remaining balance of \$207,000. They then added \$1,000,000 to the fund. Five grants were awarded to: Shelby (\$75,000), Warrenton (\$75,000), Clinton (\$200,000), Elkin (\$100,000) and Brevard (\$200,000). These communities were given three years to complete their projects as proposed. The \$650,000 fund allocation is anticipated to leverage an additional \$2,451,986 in private investments. For every \$1 invested by the State an additional \$5.25 will be invested by the local community. These investments will support the creation or expansion of 5 small businesses and the creation or retention of 26 permanent full-time and 19 part time jobs.

All grant projects awarded in FY 2014-2015 will be completed by June 2018.

This report will be presented in two parts. There will be a Departmental Report and the City Reports. Each part will include information for grant awards made in 2009-2010, 2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014 and 2014-2015. If you have any questions, please contact Ed Davis, Grant Administrator or me.

Department Report

1. Itemized and total allocations from the Fund.

FY 2009-2010

Allocations to Communities

\$757,046 was committed to four communities in May 2010 as follows:

Burlington	\$ 298,460.00
La Grange	\$ 87,131.00
Morganton	\$ 271,455.00
Rocky Mount	<u>\$ 100,000.00</u>
	\$ 757,046.00

Total disbursements for grants awarded in FY 09-10, total \$757,046.00. Both Burlington and Morganton completed their projects and received full reimbursement in FY 2010-2011. La Grange completed their project and received full reimbursement in FY 2011-2012. Rocky Mount completed their project and received full reimbursement in FY 2012-2013.

FY 2010-2011

Allocations to Communities

\$932,808 was committed to seven communities in April and June 2011 as follows:

Benson	\$ 41,389.00
Goldsboro	\$ 200,000.00
Highlands	\$ 200,000.00
Kinston	\$ 200,000.00
Lenoir	\$ 200,000.00
Newton	\$ 50,000.00
Salisbury	<u>\$ 41,419.00</u>
	\$ 932,808.00

Total disbursements for grants awarded in FY 10-11, total \$932,808.00. Half of Goldsboro's award was to add funds to an existing revolving loan fund in the amount of \$100,000. This disbursement was made in FY 2011-12. Salisbury completed their FY 2010-11 project and received full reimbursement in FY 2012-13. Goldsboro received their other \$100,000 in FY 2013-14. Highlands, Benson, Kinston, Lenoir and Newton also received full reimbursement in FY 2013-14.

FY 2011-2012

Allocations to Communities

\$250,000 was committed to two communities in February 2012 as follows:

New Bern	\$ 100,000.00
Tryon	<u>\$ 150,000.00</u>
	\$ 250,000.00

Total disbursements for the grants awarded in FY 11-12, total \$100,000.00. The City of New Bern received a partial reimbursement of \$75,000 for their project in FY 2012-13 and the remaining \$25,000 in FY 2013-14. Tryon has completed their project and received \$150,000 in 2014 -2015.

*Please note that disbursement *follows* investment because MSSF money is used as a reimbursement once projects are completed.

FY 2012-2013

Allocations to Communities

Salisbury	\$ 70,207.00
New Bern	<u>\$ 25,000.00</u>
	\$ 95,207.00

Total disbursements for the grants awarded in FY 12-13, total \$95,207.00. The City of Salisbury completed their project and received full reimbursement in FY 2012-13. The City of New Bern completed their project and received full reimbursement in FY 2013-14.

FY 2013-2014

Allocations to Communities

Tryon	\$ 50,000.00
Tarboro	\$ 200,000.00
Roxboro	\$ 175,000.00
Williamston	\$ 100,000.00
Garner	\$ 75,000.00
Morganton	\$ 175,000.00
Valdese	<u>\$ 64,316.00</u>
	\$ 839,316.00

Total disbursements for the grants in FY 2013-14 total \$225,000. The City of Roxboro and the Town of Tryon completed their projects and received full reimbursement in FY 2014-15.

*Please note that disbursement *follows* investment because MSSF money is used as a reimbursement once projects are completed.

FY 2014-2015

Allocations to Communities

Shelby	\$ 75,000.00
Warrenton	\$ 75,000.00
Clinton	\$ 200,000.00
Elkin	\$ 100,000.00
Brevard	<u>\$ 200,000.00</u>
	\$650,000.00

Total disbursements for the grant in FY 2014-15 total \$0.00. All projects are under construction but have not been completed and have therefore not been reimbursed to date.

*Please note that disbursements follows investment because MSSF money is used as a reimbursement once projects are completed.

Allocation for Grants Administration

\$50,000 was committed to the administration of the Fund in July 2009 as follows:

Department of Commerce	\$ 50,000.00
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Total disbursements for FY 09-10 were \$4,666.19

\$75,000 was committed to the administration of the Fund in July 2010 as follows:

Department of Commerce	\$ 75,000.00
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Total disbursements for FY 10-11 were \$25,667.88

\$75,000 was committed to the administration of the Fund in July 2011 as follows:

Department of Commerce \$ 75,000.00

Total disbursements for FY 11-12 were \$73,465.47

\$75,000 was committed to the administration of the Fund in July 2012 as follows:

Department of Commerce \$ 75,000.00

Total disbursements for FY 12-13 were \$60,715.36

\$75,000 was committed to the administration of the Funds in July, 2013 as follows:

Department of Commerce \$ 75,000.00

Total disbursements for FY 13-14 were \$ 50,588.04

\$75,000.00 was committed to the administration of the Funds in July, 2014 as follows:

Department of Commerce \$75,000.00

Total disbursements for FY 14-15 were \$ 62,229.00

2. *Summary report of all allocations made from each fiscal year.*

FY 2009-10

Allocations to Communities	\$ 757,046.00
Allocation for Grants Administration	\$ 50,000.00
Total	\$ 807,046.00

FY 2010-11

Allocations to Communities	\$ 932,808.00
Allocation for Grants Administration	\$ 75,000.00
Allocation for Budget Reversion	\$ 109,322.00
Total	\$1,117,130.00

FY 2011-12

Allocations to Communities	\$ 250,000.00
Allocation for Grants Administration	\$ 75,000.00
Total	\$ 325,000.00

FY 2012-13

Allocations to Communities	\$ 95,207.00
Allocation for Grant Administration	\$ 75,000.00
Total	\$ 170,207.00

FY 2013-14

Allocations to Communities	\$ 839,316.00
Allocation for Grant Administration	\$ 75,000.00
Total	\$ 914,316.00

FY 2014-15

Allocations to Communities	\$ 650,000.00
Allocation for Grants Administration	\$ 75,000.00
Allocation for Budget Revision	\$ 207,442.00

Total \$ 932,442.00

3. *The total funds received and allocations made:*

The Fund received an initial appropriation of \$2.0 million from the General Assembly in 2009. An additional appropriation of \$1.5 million was made in 2010. \$902,500 was recaptured in FY 2011-2012 from relinquished grant awards. \$505,454 was recaptured in FY 2012-2013 from relinquished grant awards. \$407,212 was recaptured in FY 2013-2014 from relinquished grant awards. \$839,316.00 was awarded in 2013-2014. An additional appropriation of \$1,000,000 was made in FY 2014-15, however the fund balance of \$207,442 was rescinded. \$200,000 was recaptured in FY 2014-15 from relinquished grant awards.

The account balance as of June 30, 2015 was \$1,597,887.26 \$1,280,752.14 was encumbered leaving an available balance of \$317,167.00. Interest earned on June 30, 2015 totaled \$7,122.28.

City Reports:

FY 2009-10

All projects have completed the following steps:

1. Completed grant agreements between the NC Department of Commerce and the local government.
2. Completed sub-recipient grant agreements between the local government and the small businesses that will directly benefit from these funds.
3. Completed the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) forms for their projects and/or received clearance.
4. Completed and closed out all grant projects.

*Please note that the following information was obtained through annual reports submitted in July 2013.

1. *Total amount of private funds committed and the amount invested in the previous fiscal year.*

\$2,152,927.00 in private funds was committed as part of the local projects. \$2,152,927.00 in private investment was made.

*Please see attached spreadsheet for each city's investment.

2. *Total amount of local public matching funds raised. (Note: only required for projects involving the expenditure of local public dollars.)*

\$2,959,420 in local public funds was committed as a part of the local projects. \$2,909,420 was derived from local public dollars. An additional \$50,000 in additional state funding (grants and tax credits) was leveraged for these projects. \$2,909,420 total in public investment was made.

*Please see attached spreadsheet for each city's investment.

3. *Total amount of grant monies received from the MSSF during preceding fiscal year.*

\$0.00 were received during the preceding fiscal year. All grant monies were distributed in previous fiscal years.

4. Description of how grant monies and funds from the private investors were used during the preceding fiscal year.

Funds were spent in Morganton, Burlington and LaGrange during FY 10-11. These funds were used for restaurant space, an art gallery, a satellite community college, several retail businesses, and a co-op grocery store. There were no additional funds from the FY 09-10 allocation, spent during FY 11-12. Funds spent during FY 12-13 helped the City of Rocky Mount complete its Douglas Block project. Grant funds were directly used to support a pediatrician's office and a full service restaurant.

5. Details regarding the types of private investment created or stimulated, the dates of this activity, the amount of public money involved and any other pertinent information, including any jobs created, businesses started and number of jobs retained due to the approved activities.

Funds have helped support Morganton, Burlington, LaGrange and Rocky Mount through FY 2012-2013 in the creation and/or expansion of 14 businesses and the creation or retention of 90 permanent full-time and 133 permanent part-time jobs.

Since the completion of their grant project, Morganton has had 18 additional businesses either relocate or open in downtown, increasing their first floor occupancy to 99%. These 18 businesses added 30 new full-time jobs and 12 part-time jobs to downtown Morganton.

Burlington has reported that 7 additional businesses have opened near the Company Shops Market (MSSF grant project) since it opened in June 2011. These businesses created 17 jobs.

A large number of businesses made façade improvements shortly after the Town of La Grange completed their Main Street Solutions project. These include The Little Bank, Apperson Auto, La Grange Pediatrics, Britt Technical Services and Carol Murphy Piano Studios.

The Douglas Block has served as a model for renewal and investment in downtown Rocky Mount. Six new businesses have located into rehabilitated facilities near the Douglas Block. These include Milton and Miles opening in the Imperial Center, Footwerks on NW Main Street, Bar None on NE Main and OIC Medical Center on Grace Street. These additional projects represent private investment in excess of \$750,000 and 20 new full time jobs.

*Please see attached spreadsheet for each city's anticipated economic impact.

FY 2010-11

*Please note that the grants were awarded in April and June 2011. 2011 Grant awarded communities have completed the following before beginning their projects:

1. Completed grant agreements between the NC Department of Commerce and the local government.
2. Completed sub-recipient grant agreements between the local government and the small businesses that will directly benefit from these funds.
3. Completed the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) forms for their projects and receiving clearance.

4. Completed and closed out their grant projects.

*Please note that the following information was obtained through annual reports submitted in July 2014.

1. *Total amount of private funds committed and the amount invested in the previous fiscal year.*

\$3,513,185 in private funds was committed as part of the local projects. \$3,513,185 in private investment was made.

*Please see attached spreadsheet for each city's projected investment.

2. *Total amount of local public matching funds raised.*

\$1,317,381 in public funds was committed as a part of the local projects. \$993,381 is derived from local public dollars. An additional \$324,000 in additional state funding (grants and tax credits) has been leveraged for these projects. \$1,317,381 in public investment was made.

*Please see attached spreadsheet for each city's projected investment.

3. *Total amount of grant monies received from the MSSF during preceding fiscal year.*

\$0.00 were received during the preceding fiscal year. All funds were distributed in previous fiscal years.

4. *Description of how grant monies and funds from the private investors were used during the preceding fiscal year.*

Funds were used in FY 13-14 for a variety of projects, primarily building renovations for both existing and new tenants. Included in the uses are market-rate offices, retail space, service and professional businesses, restaurant space, the rehab of a building for a brewery and a distillery and office space for a local Arts Council. In addition, Goldsboro, NC used \$100,000 of their award to replenish an existing revolving loan program for an infusion of funds for renovations to the Arts Council's new location. These monies were used to add an elevator to the building to improve handicap accessibility to the upper stories.

5. *Details regarding the types of private investment created or stimulated, the dates of this activity, the amount of public money involved and any other pertinent information, including any jobs created, businesses started and number of jobs retained due to the approved activities.*

The MSSF supported the creation or expansion of 19 businesses and the creation or retention of 92 permanent full-time and 105 permanent part-time jobs.

The town of Benson's project has resulted in two full time jobs and the rehabilitation of a historic structure.

Within several months of the completion of the Goldsboro projects other businesses opened nearby. These include Dancing Butterfly, Zennubian & Teahouse, JoJo's Coffee and Tea Shop,

Uniquely R's, Gospel Coffee House, Emeline's Candy Emporium, Village Rising, Kenetic Minds and Powerflow Fitness. These businesses added 18 Full Time positions and 10 Part Time positions.

The town of Highlands reported upon completion of the Town Square all jobs were retained and business revenues substantially increased with TJ Bailey for Men, Wild Thyme Courmet, Colonel Mustard, Spoiled Rotten, Potpourri, C. Orrica and Kilwins.

The Kinston project has served as the catalyst for two future businesses. Another local investment group is expected to open a gourmet restaurant and intended to expand this development. A boutique hotel opened in the next block in the spring of 2014.

The Carolina Vines project in Newton has bolstered interest in downtown. The owners of a local gift shop have purchased an adjacent vacant building and are in the planning stages for a \$300,000 renovation and a bicycle shop relocating downtown from a neighboring community.

The creation of the Salisbury business "A Perfect Smoke" resulted in an investment group purchasing the adjacent house and renovating it for a restaurant that was a FY 2012-13 project.

*Please see attached spreadsheet for each city's economic impact.

FY 2011-12

*Please note that the grants were awarded in February 2012. 2011 Grant awarded communities have:

1. Completed grant agreements between the NC Department of Commerce and the local government.
2. Completed sub-recipient grant agreements between the local government and the small businesses that will directly benefit from these funds.
3. Completed the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) forms for their projects and receiving clearance.
4. Completed and closed out all grant projects.

*Please note that the following information was obtained through annual reports submitted in July 2014.

1. *Total amount of private funds committed and the amount invested in the previous fiscal year.*

\$962,240 in private funds was committed as part of the local projects. \$962,240 in private investment was made.

*Please see attached spreadsheet for each city's projected investment.

2. *Total amount of local public matching funds raised.*

\$15,000 in public funds was committed as a part of the local projects. \$15,000 is derived from local public dollars. \$15,000.00 in public investment was made.

*Please see attached spreadsheet for each city's projected investment.

3. *Total amount of grant monies received from the MSSF during preceding fiscal year.*

In FY 2014-15, \$10,000 were received from the MSSF funds. The remainder of the FY 2011-12 Allocation was distributed in a previous fiscal year.

4. *Description of how grant monies and funds from the private investors were used during the preceding fiscal year.*

Funds have been used in FY 14-15 for building renovations in Tryon for two businesses (a retail shop and a restaurant) and improvements to the plaza in downtown.

5. *Details regarding the types of private investment created or stimulated the dates of this activity, the amount of public money involved and any other pertinent information, including any jobs created, businesses started and number of jobs retained due to the approved activities.*

The MSSF will help supported the creation or expansion of 2 businesses and the creation or retention of 12 permanent full-time and 1 permanent part-time job.

The project in New Bern renovates a former grocery store into an urban furniture store in downtown New Bern.

The project in Tryon renovates two buildings (one into a retail shop and one into a restaurant) and creates a plaza in the front of the buildings that serves as the town's main square.

FY 2012-13

The 2012 award to Salisbury was an expansion of the award made in FY 10-11. The 2012 award to New Bern was an expansion of the award made in FY 11-12. These projects have:

1. Completed grant agreements between the NC Department of Commerce and the local government.
2. Completed sub-recipient grant agreements between the local government and the small businesses that will directly benefit from these funds.
3. Completed the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) forms for their projects and receiving clearance.
4. Completed and closed out all grant projects.

*Please note that the following information was obtained through annual reports submitted in July 2015.

1. *Total amount of private funds committed and the amount invested in the previous fiscal year.*

\$242,080 in private funds was committed as part of the local projects. \$242,080 in private investment has been made to date.

*Please see attached spreadsheet for each city's projected investment.

2. *Total amount of local public matching funds raised.*

\$0.00 in public funds was committed as a part of the local projects. \$0.00 is derived from local public dollars. \$0.00 in public investment has been made to date.

*Please see attached spreadsheet for each city's projected investment.

3. *Total amount of grant monies received from the MSSF during preceding fiscal year.*

\$0.00 were received during the preceding fiscal year. All grant monies were distributed in previous fiscal years.

4. *Description of how grant monies and funds from the private investors were used during the preceding fiscal year.*

The project in Salisbury renovated an abandoned historic house and it currently serves as a restaurant. This project, together with the adjoining cigar shop, (also a MSSF project), have improved an important block on the edge of the downtown area. The New Bern project has renovated an architecturally significant Beaux Arts building originally constructed as a bank and turned it into an art gallery and shop.

5. *Details regarding the types of private investment created or stimulated the dates of this activity, the amount of public money involved and any other pertinent information, including any jobs created, businesses started and number of jobs retained due to the approved activities.*

These projects were completed and paid out in previous years. Both projects (New Bern and Salisbury) revive important historic downtown structures and have assisted in attracting investors into their respective downtowns.

FY 2013-14

*Please note that grants were awarded in July 2013, January, April and June of 2014. These projects have been in the process of:

1. Completing grant agreements between the NC Department of Commerce and the local government.
2. Completing sub-recipient grant agreements between the local government and the small businesses that will directly benefit from these funds.
3. Completing the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) forms for their projects and receiving clearance.
4. Two projects have been completed. The remaining projects are under construction.

*Please note that the following information was obtained through annual reports submitted in July 2014.

1. *Total amount of private funds committed and the amount invested in the previous fiscal year.*

\$2,451,986 in private funds has been committed as part of the local projects. \$717,789 in private investments have been made to date.

*Please see attached spreadsheet for each city's projected investment.

2. *Total amount of local public matching funds raised.*

\$716,897 in public funds has been committed as a part of the local projects. \$476,999 in public investments have been made to date.

*Please see attached spreadsheet for each city's projected investment.

3. *Total amount of grant monies received from the MSSF during preceding fiscal year.*

\$225,000 was received for FY 2014-2015. The remainder of the projects are under construction and the funds will be dispersed following completion of the projects.

*Please note that the MSSF is a reimbursable fund. The remainder of the funds have not been disbursed to date.

4. *Description of how grant monies and funds from the private investors were used during the preceding fiscal year.*

Funds have been used in FY 2014-15 to renovate a building and construct another and make pedestrian and vehicular improvements to the plaza which joins both buildings. Funds were also expended to renovate the upstairs office space of a downtown theater to serve as teaching space for a community college, one business and public rental facilities.

5. *Details regarding the types of private investment created or stimulated the dates of this activity, the amount of public money involved and any other pertinent information, including any jobs created, businesses started and number of jobs retained due to the approved activities.*

The MSSF will help support the creation of 13 businesses and will create 41 permanent full-time jobs and 27 part-time jobs. Public investment totals \$476,959.

In the Town of Tryon, a historic train station was renovated into an office facility and an architecturally complimentary new building has been constructed across a plaza to house a large dental firm. The space in between the two buildings can serve as parking and plaza space and can be utilized for musical events and festivals.

In the Town of Tarboro, an abandoned auto dealership is being renovated as a brewery and tap room. This building is located at the end of Main Street that has not experienced significant revitalization. It is hoped that this renovated building will act as a catalyst for other projects in the block.

The formerly abandoned office space over a historic theater in Roxboro has been converted into teaching classrooms utilized by the local Community College, one business and rental facilities with catering capabilities. The completed project has greatly increased foot traffic in downtown Roxboro.

An abandoned furniture store in downtown Williamston has been converted into a needed alternative medical clinic. The number of people who visit the clinic helps with businesses already located downtown and revives a long abandoned building.

In Garner a long abandoned bank building will be converted to a coffee shop. The building, located on a prominent corner should aid in attracting other development and will increase the number of businesses and people downtown.

In Valdese a very poorly renovated and prominently located store was renovated to serve as an employment agency. Additional parking improvements adjacent to the building are also being

constructed. The renovated facility gives other downtown businesses an example of how to effectively renovate historic structures.

The City of Morganton received a MSSF grant which will renovate a community kitchen used by several businesses, construct a kiln which will also be used by persons other than the owner of the pottery shop and assist with renovations to other businesses located on the edge of downtown. The activities which will occur as a result of these renovations will increase the number of persons coming downtown and will help existing businesses attract more customers.

FY 2014-15

*Please note that grants were awarded in November, 2014 and in February and March, 2015. These projects have been in the process of:

1. Completing the grant agreements between the NC Department of Commerce and the local Government.
2. Completing sub-recipient grant agreements between the local government and the small businesses that will directly benefit from these funds.
3. Completing the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) forms for their projects and receiving clearance.
4. All five projects are currently under construction. None are complete.

*Please note that the following information was obtained through annual reports submitted in July, 2015.

1. *Total amount of private funds committed and the amount invested in the previous fiscal year.*
\$2,846,615.00 total in private funds has been committed as part of the local projects. \$0.00 in private investments were made in MSSF projects in 2014-2015.
2. *Total amount of local public matching funds raised.*
\$567,803 in public funds has been committed as a part of the local projects. \$0.00 has been made to date.
3. *Total amount of grant monies received from the MSSF during preceding fiscal year.*
No monies have been received to date. The remainder of the projects are under construction and the funds will be dispersed following completion of the projects.

*Please note that the MSSF is a reimbursable fund. The remainder of the funds have not been disbursed to date.

4. *Description of how grant monies and funds from the private investors were used during the preceding fiscal year.*
Funds have been allocated in FY 2014-15 to renovate a historic theater, create a brewery and tap room, create a large restaurant, expand an existing quilting business and construct a new mixed use development.
5. *Details regarding the types of private investment created or stimulated the dates of this activity, the amount of public money involved and any other pertinent information, including any jobs created, businesses started and number of jobs retained due to the approved activities.*

The MSSF will help support 5 businesses and will create 26 full time jobs and 19 part time jobs. Please note that these grant projects have not been completed and the number of jobs retained due to the approved activities.

Funds awarded in FY 2014-15 will be used to renovate a historic theater in Elkin and adapt it into an entertainment venue and restaurant.

In Shelby a former Hudson's Department store is being renovated to become a brewery, tap room and entertainment venue.

An abandoned building in downtown Clinton will be an expanded restaurant with rooms available for meetings and catered activities.

In Warrenton an existing quilting (both supplier and instructor) business will expand into an abandoned downtown historic building and in Brevard a new mixed use facility will occupy a formerly vacant lot downtown.

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2009-2010	1	Alamance	2	Burlington	\$3,254,937.00	\$298,460.00	\$0.00	\$1,225,477.00	\$1,731,000.00	1	17	15
2009-2010	2	Burke	1	Morganton	\$1,109,404.00	\$271,455.00	\$50,000.00	\$620,000.00	\$167,949.00	8	56	69
2009-2010	4	Lenoir	1	La Grange	\$229,102.00	\$87,131.00	\$0.00	\$6,450.00	\$135,521.00	3	4	5
2009-2010	4	Edgecombe	1	Rocky Mount	\$1,275,950.00	\$100,000.00	\$0.00	\$301,000.00	\$874,950.00	2	12	44
				Totals	\$5,869,393.00	\$757,046.00	\$50,000.00	\$2,152,927.00	\$2,909,420.00	14	90	133

2010-2011 Grant Awards

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2010-2011	1	Johnston	3	Benson	\$124,166.00	\$41,389.00	\$30,000.00	\$3,611.00	\$49,166.00	1	2	2
2010-2011	2	Wayne	2	Goldboro	\$1,817,397.00	\$200,000.00	\$0.00	\$694,682.00	\$922,715.00	3	18	29
2010-2011	3	Macon	2	Highlands	\$1,292,540.00	\$200,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,092,540.00	\$0.00	8	52	29
2010-2011	4	Lenoir	1	Kinston	\$1,168,374.00	\$200,000.00	\$0.00	\$968,374.00	\$0.00	2	8	33
2010-2011	5	Caldwell	1	Lenoir	\$822,590.00	\$200,000.00	\$264,000.00	\$338,590.00	\$20,000.00	2	8	7
2010-2011	6	Catawba	2	Newton	\$339,024.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$284,024.00	\$0.00	2	2	5
2010-2011	7	Rowan	2	Salisbury	\$224,283.00	\$41,419.00	\$30,000.00	\$151,364.00	\$1,500.00	1	2	0
				Totals	\$5,788,374.00	\$932,808.00	\$324,000.00	\$3,513,185.00	\$993,381.00	19	92	105

2011-2012 Grant Awards

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2011-2012	1	Craven	2	New Bern	\$427,240.00	\$100,000.00	\$0.00	\$327,240.00	\$0.00	2	7	4
2011-2012	2	Polk	2	Tryon	\$800,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$0.00	\$635,000.00	\$15,000.00	2	12	1
				Totals	\$1,227,240.00	\$250,000.00	\$0.00	\$962,240.00	\$15,000.00	4	19	5

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2012-2013	1	Rowan	2	Salisbury	\$236,287.00	\$70,207.00	\$0.00	\$166,080.00	\$0.00	1	3	12
2012-2013	2	Craven	2	New Bern	\$101,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$0.00	\$76,000.00	\$0.00	0	1	0
				Totals	\$337,287.00	\$95,207.00	\$0.00	\$242,080.00	\$0.00	1	4	12

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2013-2014	1	Polk	2	Tryon	\$550,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$495,000.00	\$5,000.00	2	2	2
2013-2014	2	Edgecombe	1	Tarboro	\$800,000.00	\$200,000.00	\$0.00	\$600,000.00	\$0.00	1	8	0
2013-2014	3	Person	3	Roxboro	\$869,678.00	\$175,000.00	\$0.00	\$222,719.00	\$471,959.00	3	11	5
2013-2014	4	Martin	1	Williamston	\$424,042.00	\$100,000.00	\$0.00	\$320,042.00	\$4,000.00	1	4	0
2013-2014	5	Wake	3	Garner	\$241,100.00	\$75,000.00	\$0.00	\$153,600.00	\$12,500.00	1	3	0
2013-2014	6	Burke	1	Valdese	\$192,950.00	\$64,316.00	\$0.00	\$53,500.00	\$75,134.00	1	5	0
2013-2014	7	Burke	1	Morganton	\$930,429.00	\$175,000.00	\$0.00	\$607,125.00	\$148,304.00	4	8	20
				Totals	\$4,008,199.00	\$839,316.00	\$0.00	\$2,451,986.00	\$716,897.00	13	41	27

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2014-2015	1	Cleveland	2	Shelby	\$482,460.00	\$75,000.00	\$0.00	\$402,460.00	\$5,000.00	1	3	2
2014-2015	2	Warren	1	Warrenton	\$265,100.00	\$75,000.00	\$0.00	\$166,000.00	\$24,100.00	1	3	3
2014-2015	3	Sampson	2	Clinton	\$600,000.00	\$200,000.00	\$0.00	\$400,000.00	\$0.00	1	8	0
2014-2015	4	Surry	1	Elkin	\$688,703.38	\$100,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	\$538,703.00	1	4	14
2014-2015	5	Transylvania	2	Brevard	\$2,078,155.00	\$200,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,828,155.00	\$0.00	1	8	0
				Totals	\$4,114,418.38	\$650,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,846,615.00	\$567,803.00	5	26	19

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Total - All Projects					\$21,344,911.38	\$3,524,377.00	\$374,000.00	\$12,169,033.00	\$5,202,501.00	56	272	301