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Women in Leadership Scholarship by SEDC

SEDC is seeking a candidate to attend Women in Leadership by SD CEO Women's Business Center this summer! With this scholarship, you will receive professional development to help better understand and apply essential leadership skills, both personally and within an organizational context to include effective leadership, strategy formation, decision making, project management, communication skills and building stronger partnerships in workplaces and our community.

"I learned so much from this series & took away so many things. One of the main things was organizational skills and the different types that I've never used before. It has definitely helped me in my personal and professional life."



Allison McDaniel, Owner of Spearfish Creek
 Wine Bar and 2019 SEDC Scholarship
 Recipient

Learn more

Applications must be completed and submitted by 11:59 pm Sunday, March 22, 2020.

Economic Development News



Black Hills Pioneer: Spearfish hospital plans major addition

New Italian restaurant brings Old World cuisine to Spearfish

Community Foundation awards nearly \$50K in Spearfish businesses

Polaris closing its doors in Spearfish

Rapid City Journal: BHSU to celebrate new incoming president

Black Hills Business: MENKEN:
Entrepreneurship is alive and well in Spearfish

BHSU Media: Black Hills State University's 11th President reveals new enrollment plan

Newscenter1: First Spearfish Chinook Days Festival



Building Permits	2019	2018	YTD 2019	YTD 2018
New Residential	0		58	
New Commercial	1		10	
Total Permits	20	22	355	364
Total Dollars	\$859,535	\$4,422,151	\$ 36,752,580	\$48,873,346
Sales Tax	2020	2019	YTD 2020	YTD 2019
2nd Penny Sales Tax	\$408,543	\$332,409	\$408,543	\$332,409
Hospitality Tax	\$55,451	\$45,435	\$55,451	\$45,435

⁻ Building Permils based on most recent City of Spearfish report from December 2019. Sales Tax based on most recent City of Spearfish report from January 2020.

Labor Force	2019	2018
City of Spearfish		
Total Labor Force	6,214	6,053
Total Employed	6,002	5,881
Total Unemployed	212	172
Percentage Unemployment	3.4%	2.8%
Lawrence County		
Total Labor Force	13,217	12,900
Total Employed	12,762	12,515
Total Unemployed	455	385
Percentage Unemployment	3.4%	3.0%
Northern Hills (Butte, Lawrence, Meade & F	Pennington coun	ities)
Total Labor Force	89,187	89,413
Total Employed	85,961	85,704
Total Unemployed	3,226	2,709
Percentage Unemployed	3.7%	3.1%

Upcoming Events

What's the Buzz - Julie Olson, CEO & Owner of Turner Lee Consulting and BHSU Adjunct Professor

 Thursday, February 20th - 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM, The Joy Center, 1351 St Joe St, Spearfish, SD

Spearfish Area Chamber of Commerce - Gone Fishin' Mixer

 Thursday, February 27th, at 4:00-6:00 PM, Monument Health Orthopedics and Sports Medicine, 2479 E Colorado Blvd, Spearfish, SD

SD CEO - Luncheon

 Tuesday, March 10th, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM, Spearfish Holiday Inn & Convention Center '76 Room

Spearfish Area Chamber of Commerce - Multi Member Mixer

Thursday, March 12th, at 4:00-6:00 PM, Black Hills State University Newman Center, 814
 W King St, Spearfish, SD

Spearfish Area Chamber of Commerce - Coffee Connection

• Friday, March 13th, at 8:00-9:00 PM, CMG Mortgage, 211 N. Main St., Ste. 201

Please share your upcoming events with fellow SEDC members and friends. Send your events to Laine Mitchell, SEDC Marketing Coordinator.









