9:00 AM  Opening Remarks  
Chuck Schroeder, Director of the Rural Futures Institute

9:15 PM  RFI Grant Showcase  
Featured grants include:
  • Rural Sourcing
  • Communities Creating their own Innovation and Entrepreneurship (E-CAP)
  • Juvenile Re-entry to Nebraska's Rural Communities
  • Rural Community Serviceship Program
  • Community Marketing: Taking a New Look at Rural Communities in the Great Plains

10:30 AM  Local Tours  
Hear from local leaders across your region about how collaborative efforts are paying off in business growth, redevelopment, expanded opportunities for further education and increasing quality of life for all generations, including youth and young adults.
Tour Sites: TBA

12:00 PM  Lunch  
A box lunch will be provided during the tour

1:30 PM  Return to Meeting Facility

1:45 PM  Young Leader Visioning Session  
See your region a new light through the perspectives of young people as they share their thoughts on the future of their home town and what will attract them to stay or return in the future.

2:15 PM  Roundtable Idea Exchange  
Participate in defining key issues and opportunities for community and economic development in your region, and discuss how the RFI can best collaborate in efforts already underway and emerging opportunities to address regional priorities.

4:00 PM  Networking

4:30 PM  Conclusion