

## ARRA Progress

### La Plata County:

Three joint applications with the City of Durango:

1. Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant to Dept. of Justice - Joint application with the City - \$80,794 (\$39,583 to the County for 23 laptop computers for sheriff's vehicles)
2. Clean Diesel Grant to the EPA - Joint application with the City - Total project \$761,491 - \$604,372 grant application (County vehicles - 50; City vehicles 46)
3. The Airport Improvement Grant (airport is jointly owned by the City and County) - \$3 million

In addition, La Plata County officials have submitted a COPS Hiring Recovery Program Grant to Dept. of Justice- \$427,372 for two officers over 3 years to advance community policing initiatives.

**The Town of Bayfield** has applied for and received money through CDOT for roadway enhancement projects. The Town has also applied for wastewater treatment plant funding from the state Water Quality Control Division and Water and Power Authority. In addition, the Town hopes to partner with other organizations on an application for an NTIA/State of Colorado broadband technology grant.

**Canterbury Enterprises** of Silverton, CO, plans to apply for a state feasibility study grant for a new product which will reduce emissions in wood burning fireplaces.

**NRG By Design** is partnering with several different organizations on weatherization grants and workforce training for the "New Energy Economy".

**4CORE** (Four Corners Office for Resource Efficiency) is partnering with several organizations such as Housing Solutions of the Southwest and other housing partners, NRG by Design and potentially the Southern Ute Indian Tribe for Weatherization grants. In addition, 4CORE plans to apply for funds to help kick-start the Local Clean Energy Fund (revolving loan fund), energy audit rebates, weatherization rebates, education and outreach, and partnering for training in energy efficiency and renewable energy areas.

**USFS/BLM** is expecting to receive its share of ARRA funding later this year, funds that are earmarked for regional infrastructure improvements, trail maintenance, etc. The Homebuilders Assoc. of Southwest Colorado is currently working with these governmental agencies to prepare and organize the local workforce for future employment on ARRA projects.

**Region 9 EDD** is looking into the possibility of creating a Revolving Loan Fund with grant proceeds from the USDA Rural Energy for America Program in order to provide commercial/business property owners with funding to make energy efficient improvements to their buildings and/or site.