City: Conrad

Title of Project: Conrad Fire and Rescue Station

City's Population: 1108

In a few sentences, give a summary of the project and why it was needed:
The City needed additional room for their public safety (fire and ems) equipment, office space and volunteers. They constructed an 8,400 SF building whereas their old building was only 2,800 SF. The Community held fundraisers and applied for grants to help offset some of the costs associated with furnishing the new facility and getting new equipment. They now have an area for their EMS that is secured both within the ambulance but also the bay that houses the unit. Only the EMS volunteers have keys to this bay. Previously the facility was all in one large area and if you had the door opener code you could get into the storage area, just not the ambulance. The City had outgrown their old building and it was located in the downtown area which was not very safe when responding to a call. The new building is on the edge of town and is not in the middle of a residential area or on the edge of the downtown area.

Explain the specific role of your city in this project:
The City organized the project and when through the statutory compliance requirements. The Council formed a small committee of the Mayor and two council members to work with the volunteers on their needs for the new facilities. This same group was an integral part of the entire process from the hiring of the architects/engineers to all aspects of construction. This committee would then keep the Council up to date on all decisions made and recommendation for the Council to act on as a whole. The volunteers helped raise money and to apply for grants to fund the furnishings and some new equipment.

In a few sentences, what future impact will this project have on your community?
It was funded with TIF dollars so it did not increase the tax dollars due to being a property tax levy. The project had the support of the other taxing entities in our tax base. The facility was increased in size so now there is room to house all of the equipment in one spot plus as equipment sizes have increased the bay doors can accommodate this need. As the Community grows there will not be a need to increase the size of their public safety building because it has already been done. Safety is a huge concern of all communities. Now our volunteers have room to do outside training at their location both inside and outside which was hard to do at their old location. The volunteers have space to do their regulatory work in an environment that is clean and spacious. But most importantly it is safer to exit out of the facility when going out on a call because currently it is the only building on this dead end road. This road lead onto the main east/west road of the City. It is now located in an area where children are not playing or residents and visits are visiting the downtown area.

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**Total cost of project:** $1.2 million

**List where funding came from.** (grants, donations, city funds, etc):
TIF funding, donations, grants for equip

**Total time project took/projected to take for completion. Please include start date and end date.** (To qualify the project must be operating or completed between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017):
Sept 2015 to Feb 2017

**Resources.** (Please list Web sites judges may reference if they seek additional information.):
The City's website at www.conrad.govoffice.com and also the City of Conrad Facebook Page