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GREATER WOODBINE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE INVITES SPEAKER FROM USDA BUSINESS PROGRAMS FOR PRESENTATION ON FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Woodbine—Mayor William Pikolycky is pleased to announce that the Greater Woodbine Chamber of Commerce has invited Victoria Fekete, Business Programs Director for United State Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development to give a presentation on January 14, 2016, at the Woodbine Municipal Building, 501 Washington Avenue, Woodbine, at 7 pm.

The presentation will be on USDA Business Programs which offer grants and loan guarantees to small businesses for energy efficiency improvements, renewable energy projects, working capital and improvements, as well as value added projects for agricultural producers.

Business Programs provide financial backing and technical assistance to stimulate business creation and growth. The programs work through partnerships with public and private community based organizations and financial institutions to provide financial assistance, business development, and technical assistance to rural businesses. These programs help to provide capital, equipment, space, job training, and entrepreneurial skills that can help to start and/or grow a business. Business Programs also support the creation and preservation of quality jobs in rural areas.

Loans, loan guarantees, and grants are available to individuals, businesses, cooperatives, farmers and ranchers, public bodies, non-profit corporations, Native American Tribes, and private companies in rural communities. The financial resources of the Business Programs are often leveraged with those of other public and private credit source lenders to meet business and credit needs in under-served areas. The funding is intended to help improve the quality of life in rural communities by enhancing economic opportunities and ensuring self-sustainability for generations to come.

All are invited to attend.

“I commend the Chamber for recognizing the importance of making this information available to our local business community” added Mayor Pikolycky.