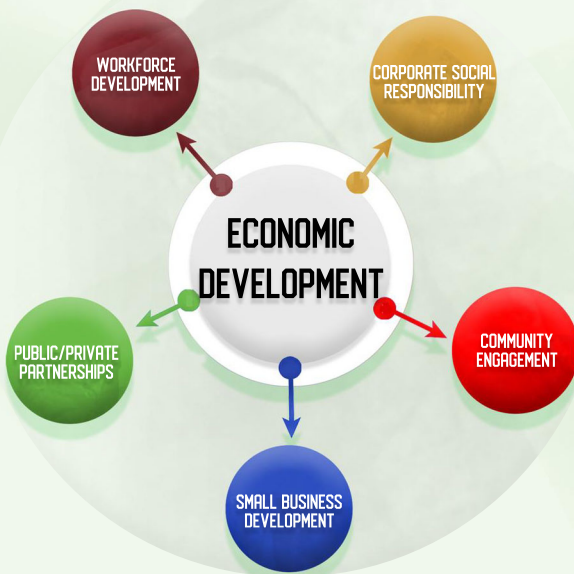


FOCUS ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

On the heels of achieving several important milestones, LFU is poised to realize one of its cherished goals, which is to serve as a catalyst for economic development and thereby strengthening the organization's already substantial roots in the community.

LFU begins 2021 strongly committed to blazing new paths that are meant to ignite and encourage growth and prosperity through active cultivation of new and existing collaborations with the municipal and regional infrastructure, as well as business and community partners.

The key building blocks of LFU's economic development thrust will be Workforce Development, Community Engagement, Small Business Development, Public/Private Partnership, and Corporate Social Responsibility.



jobs; and identifying unique funding opportunities that will be targeted to improve various aspects community life—family, business, education, tourism, and arts and sciences.

LFU approaches its bold new economic development initiative— as it does any undertaking—by strategically positioning its resources and engaging its volunteer base in the U.S. diaspora, tapping into that cumulative and potentially transformative power of the few to meet its mission of sustainable and impactful projects in Region 10 and Guyana.

VISION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Economic development is the process of engaging in targeted activities and programs that work to improve the economic well-being and quality of life of a community by building local wealth, diversifying the economy, creating and retaining jobs, and building the local tax base.

To facilitate this new focus, LFU will employ an Economic Development Program Manager who will actively engage in the development of projects and programs that focus on economic sustainability and quality of life.

Among the important tasks are developing plans to attract, assist, and retain a diverse mix of businesses and public/private partnerships; pursuit of activities designed to build local wealth, diversify the economy, and create and retain

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.”
- American anthropologist Margaret Mead.