

We come to you with an exciting opportunity for downtown beautification. The Downtown Development Authority (DDA) will be hosting the first ever Downtown Ironwood Mural Festival from September 1-6. This festival will highlight the ecology of our area with the addition of 3-4 murals on downtown buildings starting September 1st, with completion to take place September 6th.

The mural topics will be centered around the natural beauty of our area, ranging from scenes depicting old growth forest, to fish, mammals, plants and other natural elements of the UP that make this area so special. The week will boast various events and activities, ranging from conversations with the mural artists and educators about the murals, to kid-friendly activities, live music, vendors and a farmed and foraged dining experience.

Though the DDA will absorb most of the expenses for this event, we are reaching out to our community to extend the invitation to help sponsor this event.

The impact of art in a community can reach far and wide, and we envision long term positive benefits from this event; from the curb appeal of art and placemaking, to education and highlighting parts of the natural beauty of the UP that brings so many to our area. If you are interested in getting involved with this event, we invite you to return the attached sponsor form no later than August 1st to be considered as a sponsor for this year's event.

If you have further questions, feedback, or would like to get involved another way, you may reach out to us at: Thomas Bergman, Community Development Director bergmant@ironwoodmi.gov 213 S. Marquette Street, Ironwood, MI 49938 906-932-5050 ext. 126

Thank you for your time and consideration,

## DOWNTOWN IRONWOOD DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (DIDA) Cathy Flory, Chair Name Address Phone Please check the box if you wish to remain anonymous.

Mail to: City of Ironwood, Attn. Tim Erickson, 213 S. Marquette, Ironwood MI 49938.

Contributions to an organization described in section 170(c)(1) for exclusively public purposes will be deductible for federal income tax purposes. Section 170(c)(1) describes states, possessions of the United States, political subdivisions of the foregoing, the United States, and the District of Columbia. The amount of your contribution that is deductible for Federal income tax purposes is limited to the excess of the amount of any money and the value of any property other than money contributed by the donor over the value of the goods or services provided by the organization.