

**GFDA Quarter Index 2025Q2**

Size of site under contract for Project Cardinal hyperscale data center campus: 569 acres

Total building square footage of proposed Project Cardinal campus: 2 million

Estimated capital investment at full buildout: $1-1.5 billion

Projected permanent high wage jobs to be created: 150-200

Projected construction jobs: 1,500-2,000

Total power capacity requested for Project Cardinal: 600 MW

Size of Admiral Beverage/Pepsi Great Falls building under construction in Great Falls AgriTech Park: 100,000 square feet

Number of new affordable senior apartments in Carter Commons development: 24

New apartments and villas to be constructed in Benefis Health System’s Sanavita Estates independent senior living campus: 92

Size of Benefis Health Aging Center under construction: 15,550 square feet

Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine students doing their third-year clinical rotations at Benefis: 48

Single family lots unanimously approved by Great Falls City Commission: 163

Inaugural class of Master of Science graduates at Touro College of Medicine Great Falls: 17

Groundbreakings for indigenous ceremonial centers in Great Falls: 1

Participants in International Economic Development Council’s inaugural Rural Retreat in Great Falls Montana region: 408

Most miles travelled by international participant for Retreat: 4,477

Partners that made Rural Retreat possible: 74

Approximate miles traveled in region during Rural Retreat immersive experiences: 1,600

Housing developer prospect site visits to Great Falls: 3

Proposals submitted to state-generated primary sector leads: 3

Companies met with at SelectUSA Investment Summit 2025: 40+

Impromptu meetings with companies and site selection consultants at SelectUSA: 100+

Transload companies interested in Great Falls at annual Transload Distribution Association North America conference: 3

Great Falls partners that participated in national 2025 Main Street Now conference: 4

GFDA gap and bridge loans closed during quarter: $1,621,600

Additional investment leveraged by these loans: $3,919,082

SSBCI 2.0 loans participated with: $329,600

SBA 504 loans funded: $480,000

Additional investment leveraged by these loans: $720,000

Entrepreneurs and small business (SBDC) clients advised: 216

Rural clients advised: 91

Total client advising hours: 336

Capital secured by small business advising clients: $1,172,357

Entrepreneur and small business trainings: 8

Number of training participants: 75

Business participants graduated from GFDA Winter Entrepreneur Cohort: 8

Government contracting (APEX) clients advised: 111

New government contracting clients advised: 18

Government contracting advising sessions: 146

Active government contracting clients at end of quarter: 274

Government contracts won by clients: $51,446,028

Government contracting trainings: 2

Number of training participants: 35

Free Phase 1 and Phase 2 Brownfield Assessments completed for clients: 3

Page views in first two months of 2025 Livability Great Falls talent attraction magazine: 10.5K

GFDA numbers for FY2025 –

Business Attraction Announcements: $3,956,200,000

Business Expansion Announcements: $1,406,000,000

Business Expansions Completed: $17,400,000

Business Startups helped by GFDA advisors: 22

Capital secured by these startups: $7,700,000

Government contracts won by companies helped by our advisors: $85,000,000

New Apartments constructed and rented: 361

New childcare slots created: 156

Companies that purchased lots in Great Falls AgriTech Park: 4

Acres purchased by companies: 51

Additional acres optioned by companies: 569

Acres GFDA purchased for Park: 36

Additional acres GFDA optioned to expand Park: 42

Gap and bridge loans GFDA made in trade area: $3,348,935

New loan capital GFDA secured: $4,600,000

Entrepreneur Cohort graduates: 18

Female business owners recognized with Fire Within Awards: 53

2025 GFDA Ally Award winners: 21

Best Walleye Fishery in US: Lake Elwell, Montana

US Walleye Tournament record fish caught at Lake Elwell: 143.5 Lbs.



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