

## **Westport MAC to Host Economic Visioning Session**

The Westport Municipal Advisory Council will host a local economic visioning meeting October 1 at 7 PM at the Community Hall. The discussion will be facilitated by the Economic Development and Financing Corporation, a nonprofit working for Mendocino County under a grant from the US Economic Development Administration. The goal is to create an Economic Recovery and Resiliency Plan for the County by the end of April 2020.

Community input is essential to make a difference in the future of the local economy. The idea is to hear your ideas about future economic prospects and incorporate them into a long term plan that will stimulate local prosperity for all residents. Heather Gurewitz, Executive Director of the EDFC, will facilitate a Strategic Economic Visioning Session. She will start by giving a short presentation on the work EDFC has done to assess the county's economic status and issues, as well as to outline potential goals and strategies.

Gurewitz will then facilitate a discussion of about 30 minutes that will allow members of the local community to share their perspective on the economy and their work. She will be looking for insight, feedback, and ideas about how Mendocino County can have an inclusive and effective economic growth strategy. Your input will make a difference in future implementation of the plan. We hope to see you at the meeting!