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AEDC Welcomes New Team Members – Christine Bowman & Ryan Hopson

Albion, MI, August 5, 2019: The Albion Economic Development Corporation (AEDC) is proud to announce and welcome Christine Bowman, Economic Development Specialist and Ryan Hopson, Community Development Specialist to our team.

Bowman joined the team on August 5th. She holds a BA in History and Art from Florida State University. Bowman has held jobs with several organizations, including the Hillsdale County Chamber of Commerce, City of Coldwater DDA and the City of Hillsdale Economic Development. Most recently she worked as a Creative Consultant for Hillsdale Marketing Group and as a Realtor for Coldwell Banker. Bowman's skills and experience will compliment her position within the organization as she integrates herself into the community, workforce development and the EDC's business retention and group initiatives. She married a native Michigander, Tim, and has lived in south-central Michigan for 20 years. She loves old buildings, art history, day trips with her husband, and sharing her love of cooking and baking with family and friends.

“I'm excited to be part of the AEDC team, working for a community that has so much forward momentum.” – Christine Bowman



Hopson also joined the team on August 5th. He holds a BA in Accounting from Siena Heights University. Hopson's education and experience will greatly assist him in his position with the Albion EDC. He has worked for the State of Michigan as an accountant with the Department of Environmental Quality and has been an entrepreneur for over four years through his own clothing brand LIFE. Hopson will be responsible for project management of community development projects, such as housing and mixed-use developments, and administration of the Revolving Loan Fund. He will also be very involved in marketing for the organization and community. Hopson was raised in Albion and just returned from two years in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He is more motivated and excited than ever to do great things in his hometown, not only in community development but as a business owner as well.

“I'm ecstatic about the opportunity to serve my community here in Albion. I can't wait to start contributing my knowledge and skills to help move our community forward!” – Ryan Hopson



“Ryan and Christine bring skills and experience to the EDC that will greatly benefit the community and we are very excited to have them both on the team. Please take a minute to introduce yourself to them and welcome them aboard.” – Amy Deprez, President & CEO, Albion EDC

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