## **GOED Loan Officers Earn National Certification**

Recently, GOED loan officers Jack Valentine, Nick Rabern, and Nadine Agneau each received certification as an Economic Development Finance Professional (EDFP) from Grow America.

EDFP certification is a professional credential given to individuals who successfully complete Grow America's intensive economic development finance training series. The training provides individuals working in the field of economic development with instruction in business credit analysis, real estate financing, loan packaging, deal structuring and negotiating, and the creation and implementation of development programs.

Each of the four EDFP certification program courses are five days in length and conclude with an exam. Upon successful completion of all four courses, the candidate is awarded EDFP Certification.

Valentine has worked as a loan officer and senior loan officer in the GOED Rapid City Office since June 2021. He attended Montana State University, earning his bachelor's degree, and Liberty University where he earned a Master of Business Administration.

Rabern has worked in the GOED Pierre Office as a loan officer since August 2022. A Pierre native, Rabern attended SDSU, earning a bachelor's in ag business with a minor in ag marketing before coming to GOED.

Agneau has worked as a grants manager and loan officer in the GOED Pierre Office since September 2021. Nadine attended SDSU and DSU earning her bachelor's degree, and the University of South Dakota Beacom School of Business where she earned a Master of Business Administration.

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