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Fix the roof while the sun is shining EARL BLODGETT, University of Wisconsin - River Falls — The physics program at the University of Wisconsin – River Falls (UWRF) has weathered budget crunches and enrollment roller coasters for over 50 years by taking a proactive approach, rather being reactive. UWRF is a public comprehensive university with no graduate programs in physics, an enrollment of just over 6000 students, and 9 full time staff (8 tenure track). We expect to graduate about 20 physics majors this year, although our mean is closer to 15 per year over the past 20 years. In our poster, we will share some of the strategies that we have employed over the years to creatively redesign our program and curriculum to evolve with changing demands. As the title of our poster implies, the key is to take action before you get too deeply mired in problems.

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