This paper is the result of an exploratory, descriptive and analytical study about the objectives, qualitative in relation to proceedings in his deductive logic and applied with regard to their results. The non probabilistic sample was composed of companies installed in the city of Aquidauana-MS. The overall objective was to verify if they really have the feature of social economy and specifically it was sought to characterize these sympathetic economic enterprises in relation to the tourism activity and infrastructure and assess the conditions imposed on them self. The results show that such ventures have many features of solidarity economy, but not enough to qualify as such. It was evident that tourism is important for these activities, but the projects do not have consistent relationships with the local tourism service providers. Another factor which rules out such initiatives as solidarity economy is the absence of self-management, as evidenced in most cases. This study showed that despite current investments there is much to be done to the solidarity economy develops and with it, entrepreneurs and enterprises.

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