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Grants Ensure Safe Housing for Lower-Income Households

BISMARCK, ND – The North Dakota Industrial Commission has approved North Dakota Housing Finance Agency’s (NDHFA) planned distribution of \$200,000 through its Helping Housing Across North Dakota (Helping HAND) program.

“Helping HAND ensures North Dakotans of limited means continue to have a safe and affordable place to call home,” said Commission members in a joint statement. The Industrial Commission, consisting of Gov. Doug Burgum as chairman, Agriculture Commissioner Doug Goehring and Attorney General Drew H. Wrigley, oversees NDHFA.

The 2023 Helping HAND grant distribution follows:

- Community Action Partnership, Dickinson/Williston, \$18,109
- Community Action Partnership, Minot, \$17,635
- Dakota Prairie Community Action Agency, Devils Lake, \$12,955
- Red River Valley Community Action, Grand Forks, \$21,678
- Southeastern ND Community Action Agency, Fargo, \$42,068
- Community Action Region VI, Jamestown, \$11,278
- Community Action Program Region VII, Bismarck, \$29,877
- Trenton Indian Service Area, Trenton, \$22,000
- Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa, Belcourt, \$22,000
- Rebuilding Together, Fargo, \$1,200
- Rebuilding Together, Bismarck, \$1,200

NDHFA provides the Helping HAND grants to targeted community groups with existing single-family housing rehabilitation programs. The funds are used to help households with an income of 80% or less than the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development’s median for the county in which a home is located. Matching funds of at least 25% percent of a rehab project’s total cost are required to access the grant dollars.

“Through Helping HAND, North Dakota Housing Finance Agency has provided over \$6.5 million in grants that leveraged more than \$49 million and helped over 7,900 lower-income individuals and families across the state,” said Dave Flohr, NDHFA executive director. “Roof replacement is the most common rehab project.”

NDHFA’s Helping HAND program began in 1993 and is funded with agency earnings. The grants are distributed to Community Action Agencies by poverty level. Funds provided to tribal housing authorities and non-profits are established set-asides. Households in need of rehab assistance can contact a grant recipient for more information.

NDHFA is a self-supporting state agency dedicated to making housing affordable for all North Dakotans. More information on the agency and the affordable housing programs it administers is available online at www.ndhfa.org.

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