

# FYI on NDR

National Disaster Resilience



## Strategic Acquisitions Continue in the Valley

A key element of reducing flood risk to the community is being done through the National Disaster Resilience (NDR) program's on-going acquisition effort. This program is getting residents in the valley out of harm's way by purchasing their property and providing relocation services to a safer, more resilient location. This makes Minot more resilient as a community. These acquired properties (after on-site buildings are salvaged, moved or demolished) will be used for flood mitigation or protection projects.

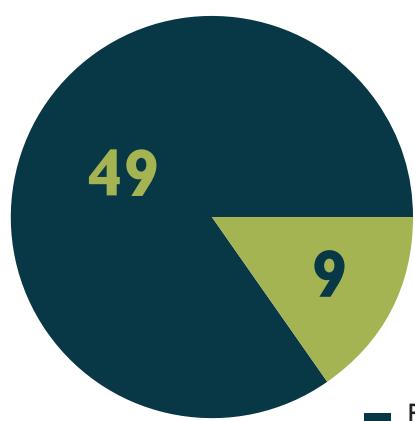
Three strategic locations remain the primary focus for the NDR acquisition program, they are Areas 1, 2, and 4. These are the initial areas of focus because of decisions made among various entities including the Souris River Joint Board and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to proceed with flood control and flood mitigation projects. All are in

various stages of completion as shown on the chart below. Area 1 is located between Minot's regional water treatment plant and the Moose Lodge. Area 2 is located on the west side of Souris Valley Golf Course in the Leite-Brekke Neighborhood. The property acquisitions in Areas 1 and 2 are being paid for with State Water Commission funds. The city has so far received \$12.4 million toward this effort and continues to work with the Souris River Joint Board and the State Water Commission to obtain the funding needed to complete acquisitions in areas 1 and 2. The third site is Area 4, located between the Souris River and the train tracks near/by North Eastwood Park and includes properties on the south bank of the river. Area 4 acquisitions are being paid for by Community Development Block Grant-National Disaster Resilience (CDBG-NDR) funds.

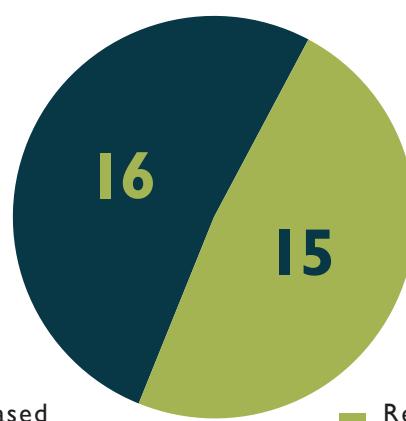
The current acquisitions in Areas 1, 2, and 4 will support the needed acquisitions to complete the early phases of construction on the Mouse River Enhanced Flood Protection Project within Minot.

Future areas using CDBG-NDR funds are tentatively planned at locations in the valley that would support future phases of the enhanced flood protection, but since requested state matching dollars have not been allocated, there is no current activity toward buying these properties. If funding is available later in 2019 or in 2020, then the program would likely expand to include tentatively planned future areas. Boundaries and timing are not under the direct control of the city and involve project design and project funding decisions led by the Souris River Joint Board and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

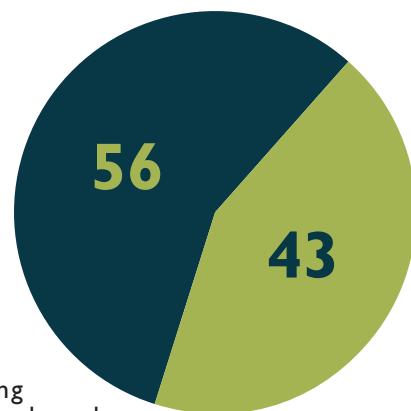
**Area 1**  
84% COMPLETE



**Area 2**  
52% COMPLETE



**Area 4**  
57% COMPLETE





### Acquisition Program

- 121 properties in areas 1, 2 and 4 have been acquired to date. These properties are being acquired to make way for flood mitigation projects.
- The City has demolished 86 properties in areas 1, 2 and 4. The four separate commercial projects that were approved at December 2018 city council should begin in February and should be completed by July. The 2019 demolition request for bids should go to council for approval in March.
- The city's structure and salvage auctions continue. In the past year, 9 homes, 22 garages, and 15 sheds were sold through auctions, and numerous items salvaged from 16 properties – all sales generated program income which was fed directly back into the acquisition program for future purchases.

### Affordable Housing

- The Resilient Homebuyer program for Low and Moderate Income (LMI) households, launched in February 2018, has had 32 applicants: 12 remain in the process of review and eligibility verification through a lender of their choice, 18 applied for the program but opted out, and 2 have closed. The program continues to take applications.
- Two potential projects are under review to support multi-family housing rehabilitation: Parker Suites located in downtown Minot and Park South Phase II. There is one single-family housing project under review: Minot Community Land Trust. These three projects would provide quality affordable housing in Minot that would benefit LMI households.
- A subrecipient agreement with Minot Housing Authority was approved at the January 22nd city council meeting. It provides up to \$5 million in CDBG-NDR funds for resilience enhancement capital projects in Milton Young Towers.

### Downtown Gathering Place

- The Downtown Gathering Place's HUD-required Environmental Assessment has been completed. The Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) was advertised and no comments were received during the FONSI 15-day comment period. A Request to Release Funds (RROF) has been sent to HUD.

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

### Reduce Flood Risk/ Improve Water Management

#### A. Buyouts / Acquisitions /

##### Demolitions / Relocations

- a. Total Budget - \$20,024,935
- b. Spent to Date - \$11,644,483

### Build Affordable Resilient Neighborhoods

#### A. Multi-Family Affordable Housing

- a. Total Budget - \$20,897,000
- b. Spent to Date - \$2,684,710

#### B. Single-Family Affordable Housing

- a. Total Budget - \$12,807,750
- b. Spent to Date - \$877,775

#### C. Gathering Place

- a. Total Budget - \$6,000,000
- b. Spent to Date - \$163,633

#### D. Family Shelter

- a. Total Budget - \$3,041,500
- b. Spent to Date - \$97,589

### Foster Economic Resilience and Diversification

#### A. Center for Technical Education

- a. Total Budget - \$1,540,000

#### B. Relocate City Hall

- a. Total Budget - \$3,750,000

### Completed Projects

- Affordable Housing Supply & Demand Study
- Souris River Decision Support Tool
- Park South Renovations