

FYI on NDR

National Disaster Resilience

June 2023



CTE Construction Progress

Construction on the much-anticipated Center for Technical Education (CTE) project is moving forward, which is not only exciting, but also critical to Minot's economic future. To foster Minot's economic resilience and diversification, the CTE was initially proposed in the City's 2015 National Disaster Resilience (NDR) Competition application. Through various citizen participation meetings, the need for a local CTE was identified by the Minot business community as a way to retain young people in the area.

For years, the Minot community and its surrounding areas complained of a "brain drain," whereby highschoolers graduated, and then left the area to pursue technical training in other parts of the state and beyond. Following the completion of their programs, the young adults chose to establish themselves in their new cities, rather than return to Minot. The new CTE will align Minot with larger communities like Fargo, Bismarck, and Grand Forks, which have similar facilities. Acknowledging its significance and potential economic impact, the City earmarked \$3.54 million in NDR funding for the project.

Because of its value to the community at large, various sources of funding contributed to the development of this project: Outside of NDR funds, in December 2022, Council awarded the CTE project \$1.84 million in HUB City funds, which are awarded to oil-impacted communities from Gross Production Tax revenues collected by the State of North Dakota. Also, in 2021, the Minot State

University Development Foundation used \$800,000 in MAGIC Funds to purchase the property located at 120 Burdick Expressway and the corner of 2nd Street SE.

Due to scheduling conflicts and supply chain issues, which are commonplace in construction these days, the timetable for the CTE project has been adjusted, however, the construction team is making headway throughout the building. The top floor, which will house three classrooms, a student lounge, and facility space, has been completely framed, and the mechanical, plumbing, and electrical work are currently underway; drywall is being installed as well. Construction progress is also being made on the first floor, which will feature a dental simulation lab for hands-on instruction, as well as a bio lab, and a sterilization room. This floor will also have a conference room and classroom. Additionally, the lower level will be finished out, to house the mechanical components of the building.

It is thrilling to think that in just over 15 months, the CTE will open for classes in August 2024, with the launch of the dental assistant program; students have already taken their prerequisites to enter the program. The NDR Team is enthusiastic about the progress being made and looks forward to the completion of this locally beneficial project. To comply with the Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) regulations, the CTE must operate for ten years from the date of the certificate of occupancy granted by the City.



1st Floor,
Center for Technical Education



2nd Floor Faculty Space,
Center for Technical Education



2nd Floor South Area,
Center for Technical Education

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

Acquisition Program

- Overall, the City of Minot has acquired 222 properties to date: 91 properties using NDR-CDBG funds and 131 properties using State Water Commission Funds; 8 properties included in the 91 NDR properties were partially funded with State Water Commission funds. These properties are needed for on-going or upcoming flood mitigation projects.
- The upcoming demolition project for acquired properties is anticipated to be bid and awarded during the summer 2023; property inspections were conducted in May. The auction and salvage process continues. Overall, the City has demolished 163 properties, with 79 of those being funded by NDR-CDBG funds.

Affordable Housing

- Milton Young Towers (MYT) renovations continue to move forward; construction is scheduled to be completed in June with an Open House scheduled for mid-July. The completed project will include 260 units of rehabbed affordable housing.
- Construction of the Broadway Circle 17-unit affordable housing complex began in May; trenching and groundwork for utilities and land preparation are underway at the location.

Family Homeless Shelter

- Construction of the Broadway Circle 6-unit Family Homeless Shelter began in May; trenching and groundwork for utilities and land preparation are underway at the location. Construction continues on the remodel of the commercial building to accommodate the community kitchen and food pantry.

City Hall

- Following the City of Minot's move into the new City Hall location in late April, a grand opening for the community was held on May 11. The Police Department is currently outfitting the Dispatch Center with its communications systems. The Dispatch Center is scheduled for completion in late summer.

Center for Technical Education

- Construction continues on the CTE; electrical, mechanical, and plumbing work are underway.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Reduce Flood Risk/ Improve Water Management

A. Buyouts / Acquisitions / Demolitions / Relocations

- a. Total Budget - \$21,085,967
- b. Spent to Date - \$21,069,721

Build Affordable Resilient Neighborhoods

A. Multi-Family Affordable Housing

- a. Total Budget - \$27,466,685
- b. Spent to Date - \$23,996,487

B. Single-Family Affordable Housing

- a. Total Budget - \$6,296,429
- b. Spent to Date - \$6,179,365

C. Family Shelter

- a. Total Budget - \$3,364,198
- b. Spent to Date - \$1,608,027

Foster Economic Resilience and Diversification

A. Center for Technical Education

- a. Total Budget - \$3,540,000
- b. Spent to Date - \$213,571

B. Relocate City Hall

- a. Total Budget - \$8,222,593
- b. Spent to Date - \$7,211,861

Administration

- a. Total Budget - \$2,965,450
- b. Spent to Date - \$2,505,222

Completed Projects

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