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## HOUSING AGENCY PROVIDES HELPING HAND

BISMARCK, ND – The Industrial Commission has authorized the North Dakota Housing Finance Agency (HFA) to distribute more than \$200,000 to community organizations across the state through the Helping Housing Across North Dakota (Helping HAND) program.

Helping HAND supports the housing needs of North Dakota’s lower-income families by offering a flexible funding source to targeted single- and multi-family housing rehabilitation programs. Families seeking assistance should contact the local entity that has received funding under this program.

“North Dakota families across the state benefit from the Helping HAND program. The program leverages millions of dollars that are used to address the unmet housing needs of disadvantaged households,” said Governor Jack Dalrymple.

“Community Action Agencies, tribal housing authorities and other similar organizations are facing increased demands for assistance,” said Agriculture Commissioner Doug Goehring. “Helping HAND provides a boost so these organizations can better respond to local needs.”

“North Dakota Housing’s program positively affects hundreds of households each year,” said Attorney General Wayne Stenehjem. “Most frequently, Helping HAND dollars underwrite single- and multi-family housing rehabilitation programs.”

The 2012 Helping HAND dollars will be distributed as follows:

Community Action Program Region VII, Bismarck .....	\$33,492
Dakota Prairie Community Action Agency, Devils Lake .....	\$18,730
Community Action Partnership, Dickinson/Williston.....	\$15,347
Southeastern ND Community Action Agency, Fargo .....	\$45,441
Red River Community Action, Grand Forks .....	\$26,558
Community Action Region VI, Jamestown.....	\$13,691
Community Action Partnership, Minot.....	\$23,741
Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa, Belcourt .....	\$9,166
Trenton Indian Service Area, Trenton .....	\$9,166
Red River Valley Habitat for Humanity, Grand Forks .....	\$3,000
Fergus Falls Area Habitat for Humanity (designated for Fairmount, ND).....	\$3,000
Rebuilding Together, Bismarck/Mandan.....	\$1,000
Rebuilding Together, Fargo/Moorhead .....	\$1,000
Dream Catchers, Garrison.....	\$1,000

Grantees are encouraged to use funding to benefit the largest number of households. The program requires a nominal 25 percent local match.

HFA's earnings fund the Helping HAND program. Since 2000, the program has leveraged more than \$24.2 million for the construction or rehabilitation of more than 4,100 housing units statewide.

More information on Helping HAND is available by contacting Nancy Rice at (701) 328-8080, (800) 292-8621, (800) 366-6888 (TTY) or [info@ndhfa.org](mailto:info@ndhfa.org) or online at [www.ndhfa.org](http://www.ndhfa.org).

The Industrial Commission of North Dakota, consisting of Governor Jack Dalrymple, as chairman, Attorney General Wayne Stenehjem and Agriculture Commissioner Doug Goehring, oversees the NDHFA.

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