



City of Minot Re-Housing Plan

Affordable rental housing as cited in a recent study completed by the City on October 25, 2013, documented that affordable rental housing is sorely needed in Minot. According to the study from data obtained from the American Community Survey (2011), 40% of the renter households in Minot were considered cost burdened in that they were paying more than 30% of their income for rent. Approximately 20 to 30% of the rental stock was damaged by the flood which exacerbated the problem for residents finding affordable rental housing.

The City of Minot has set aside CDBG-DR monies to assist in the building of affordable rental units. The Small Rental Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Program (SRRRP) was created to assist in the rehabilitation or reconstruction of small rental units. These units will be leased to low to moderate income persons at affordable rents. In addition, the City is dedicated to assisting its displaced households due to the flood. In order to ensure that displaced households from the rental units being assisted with CDBG-DR receive housing assistance, the City will take the following steps:

Request that prior to assistance, owners of the rental units provide the City with the names and contact information of the tenants occupying the unit at the time of the flood and thereafter.

The City will take aggressive steps to reach all tenants that were forced to move out of their units due to the flood so that they are made aware of the units that will be available upon rehabilitation or reconstruction.

Letters will be mailed to the tenants advising them CDM, as a part of a City of Minot Disaster Recovery Program, has been tasked with locating people who resided on the properties affected by the flooding of the Souris River in June 2011. The letter will reference the property address in which they lived and were required to move because of the event.

It will also notify them the property at which they used to live may be or is being repaired and is ready or will be ready for occupancy. If they should meet certain requirements, they may be able to return to this property or be eligible for housing advisory services. We will also provide them with information relative to units currently available for occupancy if they should choose. If they are interested in receiving these services, they are directed to call Marisa Britton at 701-837-5813 within 10 days of the date of this letter.

Newspaper ads will be run three (3) times listing the units to be rehabilitated or reconstructed and asking that tenants that were displaced from the units because of the flood contact the City for advisory services.

A rental registry will be posted to the City website at Minotnd.org. The registry will contain information concerning the availability of all the units assisted with funding from the Small Rental Rehabilitation/Reconstruction Program and other rental programs so that displaced tenants may apply to live in these units. Application requirements and timelines for submittal will also be placed on the website with a contact number.





Tenants found through outreach will be offered their displaced unit if the SRRRP and LMI requirements are met. Those tenants that do not meet the SRRRP and LMI requirements will be referred to a Housing Counseling program and will be assisted if needed to find housing affordable within their income range.

Closing documents will contain a clause which contains the requirement that LMI displaced tenants have the right to reoccupy their displacement unit.

If you have any questions, please contact Marisa Britton at 701-837-5813

Non-English speaking individuals and individuals with disabilities may request auxiliary aids and services necessary for participation by contacting Tami Stroklund, Executive Secretary, at PO Box 5006, Minot, ND 58702-5006 or tami.stroklund@minotnd.org. Alternatively, they may access the State of North Dakota assistance at the following numbers:

800-366-6888 or 711: TTY
800-435-8590 or 711: Spanish
800-366-6889 or 711: Voice
877-366-3709: 900 Services
877-366-3709: Speech to Speech

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