

North Dakota



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CDBG funds support people in every North Dakota county and eight out of 10 communities.

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The Community Development Block Grant Program funds vital housing rehabilitation, supportive services, public improvements and economic development projects. CDBG funds are critical building blocks for improving our communities, our neighborhoods and our economy. Since 2000, North Dakota has realized a decrease in CDBG funds of \$1.1 million (\$6M to \$4.9M). The 2007 proposed CDBG budget plans another 25% cut to an already-lean appropriation.

What Difference Does the CDBG Program Make?

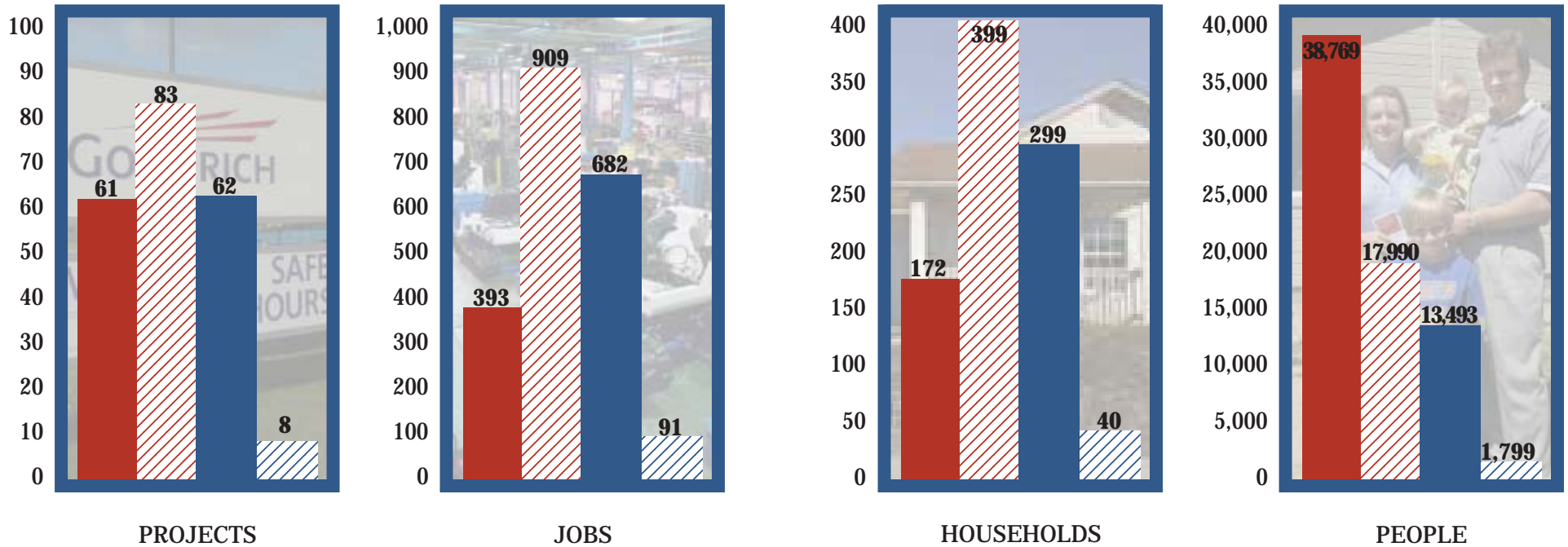
Since 2002, nearly \$28 million in CDBG funds were awarded in North Dakota. Ninety-five percent of these funds benefited low- and moderate-income people. During fiscal year 2004-05, CDBG assisted 83 economic development public facility and housing rehab projects. These projects will create 909 new jobs, will serve 17,990 people and will assist 399 households.

True, the CDBG program has increased its levels of activity across the board with a decrease in funding. This means more private and public partners are coming to the table, also a good outcome. Program administrators believe they have reached the ceiling where any more funding cuts will result in lost projects, not gained efficiencies.

What Can Be Done to Increase CDBG Funds in North Dakota?

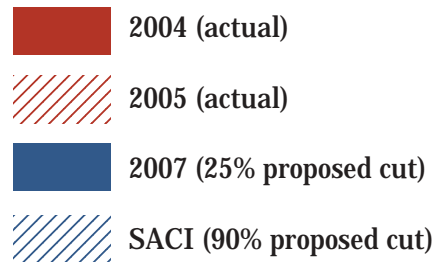
- Appropriate \$5 billion for the 2007 CDBG Program. (This places North Dakota at its 2005 funding level of \$5.4 million.)
- Monitor closely the proposed implications of the Strengthening America's Communities Initiative (SACI). As proposed, this translates into a 90% reduction in CDBG funding to North Dakota.

CDBG Delivers a *Strong* Return on Investment.



“We partnered with economic development organizations at the local, state and federal level to bring the Goodrich project to Jamestown. We are impressed with the support we received from everyone involved. Economic development in North Dakota is working.”

- Charlie Kourajian, Mayor of Jamestown



“Adams County received \$151,468 for a CDBG housing rehab project in Hettinger. These funds, along with \$5,000 from the county commissioners, assisted 25 residents so they could stay in our community. Without CDBG, we wouldn’t have accomplished this.”

- Bob Kudrna, Adams County Development Corp.

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