



**NORTH CENTRAL**  
PLANNING COUNCIL

**2023 Year End  
Annual Report**

**Region III**

**Benson, Cavalier, Eddy, Ramsey,  
Rolette and Towner Counties**

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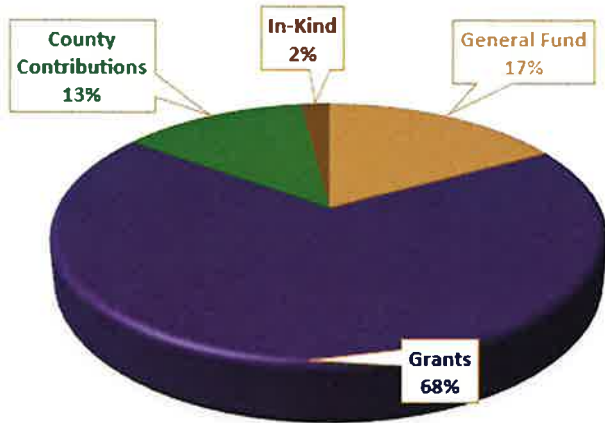
## Our Mission

The North Central Planning Council exists in order to better coordinate and facilitate the provisions of economic and social opportunities to residents within the counties of Rolette, Towner, Cavalier, Benson, Ramsey, Eddy, Spirit Lake Indian Reservation and Turtle Mountain Indian Reservation for orderly development, improvement and conservation of the planning district and its people.

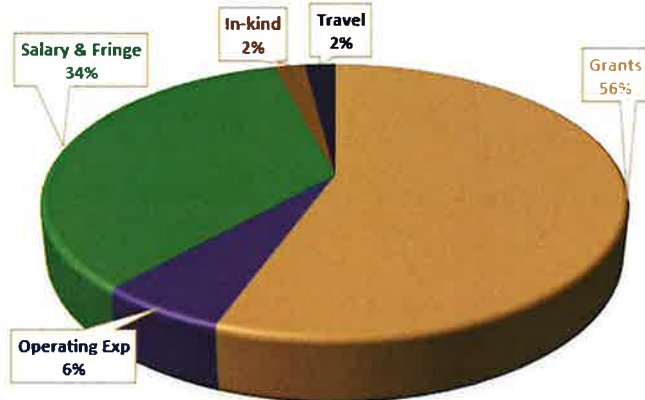
## 2023 YE Financial

The North Central Planning Council's business model is that of a nonprofit organization providing consultant type services which generates income from a number of sources including grants, grant management, loan program income, local program administration and county membership. The financials are year-end 2023 unaudited numbers.

**2023 TOTAL REVENUE \$722,019**



**2023 EXPENDITURES \$760,810**



## Cumulative Numbers

The table below reflects the numbers for both the 2023 year end and the cumulative impact since 1975. During the past year NCPC administered a wide variety of projects and programs. Not all projects or applications were funded but were provided technical assistance by NCPC staff.

By the numbers:	
2023 total number of projects/clients assisted:	80
Total number of projects that were funded:	21
Total project funds awarded:	\$2,385,117
Total funds leveraged:	\$2,260,192
Jobs supported:	53
Number of projects administered:	19
Cumulative impact since 1975:	\$104,395,933
Cumulative other funds leveraged since 1975:	\$195,915,608

# NCPC Revolving Loan Funds

The NCPC Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) provides participation loan funds to Region III entrepreneurs and business owners.

## Loan Portfolio Summary Since 1987

Number of Loans Awarded	159
Total RLF Funds Awarded	\$10,002,926
Dollars Leveraged:	\$36,910,632
Jobs Created/Retained:	1806
Number of loans outstanding	29
Current Loan Receivable Balance	\$2,152,077

## 2023 RLF Loan Summary

Number of Loans Awarded	4
Total RLF Funds Awarded	\$511,600
Funds Leveraged:	\$877,650
Jobs Created/Retained:	37

## Small Business Development Center

North Central Planning Council is host to the regional Small Business Development Center. The program, located in Devils Lake, is made available in Region III through a sub-award agreement with ND SBDC Lead Center.



NCPC receives SBA grant funds and 1:1 matching funds are provided locally by Benson County JDA, Cavalier County JDA, Rolette County, Towner County, Forward Devils Lake, Eddy County, Bank of North Dakota and NCPC. The program is provided at no cost to the clients. State-wide numbers are for the ND SBDC network of advisors.

Client Impacts	Devils Lake	State-wide
Capital Formation	\$1,992,944	\$82,707,624
Business Starts	3	105
Total Clients	63	1,788
Advising Hours	1,188	7,429

## Public Facilities Projects

North Central Planning Council staff provides grant administration through contract with a city or county. The projects are awarded funds through federal, state or local programs and NCPC administers the implementation of the funding. 2023 projects include:

- **City of Velva** - new master sanitary sewer lift station.
- **City of Harvey** - replacement of five outdated control panels for the sewer and water system located at the water treatment plant, water tower, two water wells and one sewer lift station.
- **City of Cavalier** - replacement of HVAC system.
- **Rolette County** - Rolette County Historical Society is a project for removal of architectural barriers at the museum in St. John.
- **City of Leeds** - Park Vue Apartments is a project for the removal of architectural barriers.
- **City of Devils Lake** - VFW Post 756 is a project for the removal of architectural barriers.
- **Rolette County** - Rolette County Housing Authority San Haven rehabilitation project.
- **Frost Fire Park** - This project is to upgrade snow making infrastructure and equipment.



## Housing Preservation Projects

**RCHA** - The renovations for the Prairie View housing complex, in partnership with Rolette County Housing Authority, were started in 2023 and will be finalized the first quarter of 2024. NCPC was awarded grant funds of \$150,000 through ND USDA Rural Development and local funds were contributed by RCHA. The project was to replace windows and doors in the 38 unit complex.



**BCHA** - NCPC was the recipient of a grant through ND USDA RD of \$50,000 for the Moeller Home in Maddock, ND. NCPC will partner with Benson County Housing Authority for this project to replace the roof and eight windows. Local funds will be contributed by BCHA. The work for this project will be done in 2024.



## NCPC Region III CEDS

In 1972, North Central Planning Council was designated an EDA Economic Development District, as such, every five years NCPC develops the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). The CEDS provides information on the planning region including the current economic and demographic condition, an analysis of regional strengths and weaknesses, proposes action on issues affecting the Region and provides the framework for EDA funding. The 2024 - 2028 CEDS was approved by EDA in October 2023. The CEDS documents is available on the NCPC website, <http://www.northcentralplanningcouncil.com/>

### COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY 2024 - 2028

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## ND Region III Regional Workforce Impact Program (RWIP)

ND Region III was allocated \$1 M to address workforce issues in the Region through the ND Department of Commerce. NCPC submitted a Regional application and funding was awarded for two areas of work including daycare expansion and workforce issues.



Seven daycare facilities were funded. Total grant funding awarded was \$633,409 with \$121,262 provided for local match by the daycares. These projects provided an additional 183 childcare spots in the Region. The projects funded are:

- ⇒ Joyful Beginning Child Care & Preschool
- ⇒ Lake Region Corporation, Little Goslings
- ⇒ S&S Childcare
- ⇒ The Kings Castle
- ⇒ Discovery Pre-school
- ⇒ New Rockford Area Betterment Corporation
- ⇒ Little Bobcats Daycare



The project to address workforce shortages in the Region is a collaboration of the areas economic development offices including Cavalier County JDA, Benson County JDA, Forward Devils Lake, New Rockford Area Betterment Corporation and Towner County EDC. Grant funding of \$342,784 was received and local cash match and in-kind of \$107,526 was provided. The funding was used to purchase a Mobile Career Exploration Classroom and to produce virtual reality videos of careers available in the Region. The intent of the project is to show Jr. High and High School students critical need and other careers available in the Region. Employer sponsorships will provide for the creation of the virtual reality videos and a career coach will use the virtual reality videos while meeting with the Region's students.



The North Central USDA Regional Food Business Center is a collaboration of 35 partner organizations, helping to coordinate technical assistance and build capacity for farmers and food businesses in Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota.

The goal is to transform a region that primarily focuses on commodity and large-scale agriculture into an area that also supports smaller, more resilient farm and food practices, specifically focusing on the development of critical infrastructure for small and mid-size livestock processing, fruit and vegetable processing, and warehouse space and storage operations.

North Central Planning Council is a Technical Assistance provider and can guide access to funding, including the Business Builder sub-award grants intended to provide food and farm businesses with up to \$50,000 in capital needed to launch and expand their business.



### **CONAC REAP Zone (Center of North America Coalition Rural Economic Area Partnership Zone)**

NCPC provides administrative services including monthly financial record keeping, reports, benchmark applications, organizing meetings, minutes, and loan servicing, and loan status reports. CONAC reviewed 8 benchmarks for funding or endorsement with a capital impact of \$822,879. Four projects were for business development, one project for low-income house rehabilitation, one project for a health foods initiative, one project for a feasibility study and one project for a museum construction.

### **Benson County Job Development Authority**

NCPC provides administration services and loan fund management through contract with the BCJDA. NCPC services include project development, monthly financial record keeping, marketing, reports, organizing meetings, minutes, and loan servicing.



## Staff

**Sandra Shively, Executive Director**

**Kristen Jacobson, Financial Officer**

**Ashley Louw, Grant Coordinator & SBDC Advisor**

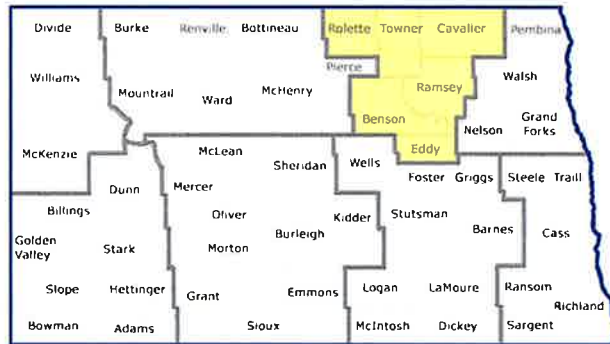
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**Mike Connor - Secretary/Treas.**



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