



NORTH CENTRAL
PLANNING COUNCIL

**2024 Year End
Annual Report**

Region III

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

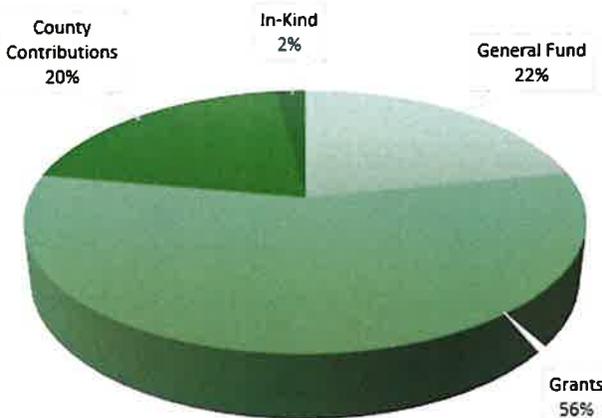
Our Mission

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 Benson, Cavalier, Eddy, Ramsey, Rolette, and Towner, Spirit Lake Reservation and Turtle Mountain Reservation for orderly development, improvement and conservation of the planning district and its people.

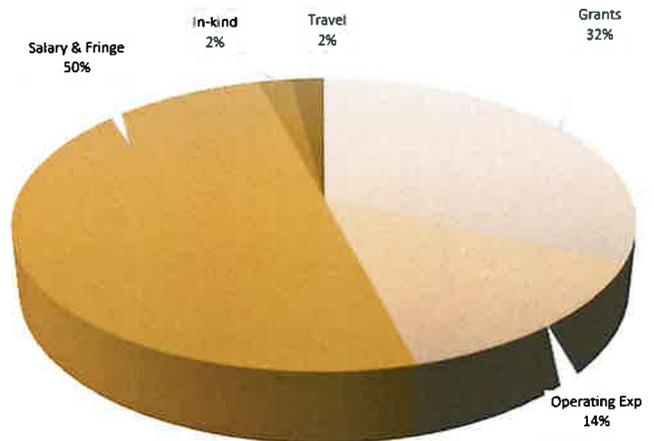
2024 YE Financial

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 2024 unaudited numbers.

2024 Revenue \$526,713



2024 Expenditures \$525,967



NCPC Cumulative Impact

The numbers reflect both the 2024 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 some were provided technical assistance by NCPC staff.

By the numbers:

2024 total number of projects/clients assisted:	127
Total number of projects that were funded:	12
Total project funds awarded:	\$3,831,737
Total funds leveraged:	\$3,621,500
Jobs supported:	123
Number of projects administered:	16
Cumulative impact since 1975:	\$108,227,670
Cumulative other funds leveraged since 1975:	\$199,537,108

NCPC Revolving Loan Funds

The NCPC Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) provides participation loan funds to Region III entrepreneurs and business owners. In 2024 NCPC was awarded \$500,000 in Intermediary Relending Program (IRP) funds through USDA Rural Development to create an additional revolving loan fund. With match funds the total loan pool is \$575,000.

Loan Portfolio Summary Since 1987

Number of Loans Awarded	163
Total RLF Funds Awarded	\$10,487,925
Dollars Leveraged:	\$40,033,882
Jobs Created/Retained:	1,831
Number of loans outstanding	40
Current Loan Receivable Balance	\$2,239,702

2024 Loan Summary

Number of Loans Awarded	4
Total RLF Funds Awarded	\$485,000
Funds Leveraged:	\$3,123,250
Jobs Created/Retained:	25

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.



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SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTERS

Your Ideas - Our Expertise - Your Success

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, Dakota Business Lending and NCPC*. This valuable program, to assist small business

owners and entrepreneurs, 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	\$3,516,389	\$90,985,932
Business Starts	6	154
Total Clients	98	1,850
Jobs Supported	169	5,551

Public Facilities Projects

North Central Planning Council staff provides CDBG project administration through contract with a city or county. The projects are awarded funds through the ND Department of Commerce and NCPC administers the implementation of the funding. The 2024 projects include:

- **City of Hazelton** - Sanitary sewer system improvements.
- **City of Medina** - Water tower improvements.
- **City of Lakota** - High School removal of architectural barriers.
- **City of Velva** - New master sanitary sewer lift station.
- **City of Harvey** - Replacement of 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** - Pembina County Memorial Hospital, 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.



Housing Preservation Projects

Benson County Housing Authority

In 2023 NCPC was the recipient of a grant through ND USDA RD of \$50,000 for the Moeller Home in Maddock, ND. NCPC partnered with Benson County Housing Authority for this project to replace the roof and eight windows. Local funds were contributed by BCHA. The work for this project was completed in the summer of 2024.

In 2024 NCPC was awarded an additional round of grant funding and will again partner with the Benson County Housing Authority to continue work on the Moeller Home facility, replacing another roof and updating plumbing.



Mobile Career Exploration Classroom



NCPC was awarded grant funding in 2022 through the ND Department of Commerce Regional Workforce Impact Program to address workforce issues in Region III.

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 the Mobile Career Exploration Classroom and produce virtual reality videos of careers available in the Region. The intent of the project is to show high school students critical need careers and others available in the Region.



NCPC contracted with AMP Consulting, LLC to implement the pilot project. Ann Pollert is the career coach and is conducting multiple visits to all high schools in Region 3. She is working with high school career counselors, teachers and principals to assist individual students with career interests.



The pilot project runs through December 2025.

This 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.**

Other Projects



Regional Livestock Development and Planning Grant

The ND Department of Agriculture Regional Livestock and Planning Grant program is a grant program to assist counties in livestock development planning. Uses include site analysis, coordinating strategic planning and accommodating and encouraging investment in livestock production.

NCPC is assisting five Region III counties including Cavalier, Eddy, Ramsey, Rolette and Towner to create strategic plans to identify suitable locations for rural economic development, including animal feeding operations, agriculture processing and storage facilities and other agriculture related development.

Regional Food Business Center

North Central Planning Council is in the second year of a five year program for the North Central USDA Regional Food Business Center (RFBC). The RFBC 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.

North Central Planning Council is a technical assistance provider and can guide access to state and federal 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.

In 2024, CONAC reviewed 18 benchmarks for funding or endorsement. These projects if funded will have a capital impact of \$25,352,354. These projects include business development, low-income housing, multi-phase utilities commission project, EMS equipment, health foods initiative, feasibility study, animal shelter equipment, water tower generator, and a recovery center vehicle.

Benson County Job Development Authority

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



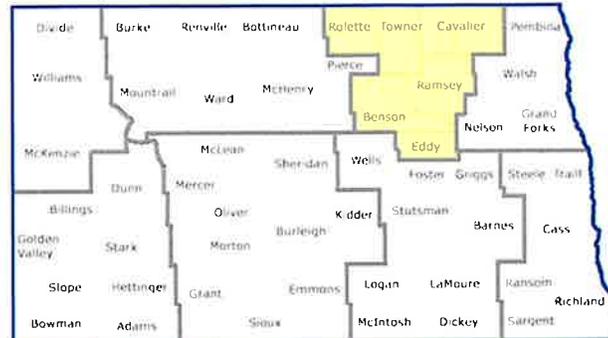
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