# Investing in North Dakota



**Putting North Dakota back to work:** The CEA estimates that 8,000 jobs were created or saved by the Recovery Act in North Dakota through June, 2010. These jobs are supported by the more than \$1.0 billion in Recovery Act funds which have been made available to North Dakota— and the more than \$607.3 million which has already been spent.

## Developing and Advancing North Dakota's Growing Industries and Infrastructure

- Over \$206.1 million has been obligated for 181 transportation projects. These projects are putting 257 people to work, and improving 903 miles of highway across the state.
- 362 Recovery Act-backed small business loans have been given to North Dakota small businesses, who are now investing \$123 million into creating new jobs and buying new equipment they need to succeed.
  - > Example: Krause Super Valu Krause Super Valu is a leader in the grocery retailing industry. Kari Olson and Dalles Krause, Jr. are the fourth generation Krause's to have owned the business. They obtained a Recovery Act 504 loan backed by the SBA for \$1.1 million. The loan enabled them to construct a new facility and purchase additional equipment.
- America's energy future is cleaner, more efficient, and made at home, thanks in part to the 31 clean energy projects that have been funded with the \$106.8 million clean energy investment that the Recovery Act made into North Dakota.
  - Example: Schuff Steel Company in Bismarck was awarded a clean energy manufacturing tax credit for \$7.1 million. The funds will be used to construct a facility to manufacture wind turbine towers with a planned capacity of 300 wind towers per year.
  - > Over 909 homes have already been weatherized, and ultimately 3,267 homes will be weatherized with Recovery Act investments.
- As many as 25,868 people and 480 community institutions, such as schools and hospitals, stand to benefit from broadband projects in North Dakota.

 The water infrastructure of North Dakota will see significant improvements as a result of the 44 rural water and waste disposal projects, and clean and drinking water projects being launched across the state by the Recovery Act.

### Providing Relief to the Individual Residents of North Dakota

- Because of the Making Work Pay tax credit, 300,000
   North Dakota working families will collectively receive
   \$100.0 million in tax relief dollars they can put to use immediately.
- Over 30,000 North Dakota residents have expanded unemployment benefits because of the Recovery Act.
- Approximately 3,000 people in North Dakota received COBRA benefits, due in part to Recovery Act investments.
- More than 116,309 North Dakota seniors and 5,765 veterans have received one-time economic relief payments of \$250, totaling over \$30.5 million.
- The Recovery Act is investing in North Dakota's future, helping students and their parents with education costs.
  - > 4,957 low-income undergraduate students in North Dakota have received grants to help them further their education and provide opportunities they might not otherwise have. What's more, the average grant to students increased by 658.

#### More Investments to Support North Dakota

 Professors, students, and other researchers in North Dakota have received \$4 million to fund 23 health research projects and explore treatments and cures to medical issues that affect millions of Americans.



- More than 2,340 education positions were reported as funded by the Recovery Act in the second quarter of 2010 in North Dakota - which has received more than \$203.8 million in funding from the Department of Education.
- The Recovery Act has already made over \$85.7 million available to help prevent Medicaid cuts in North Dakota. The state has spent over \$62.2 million of the available funds.
- · Law enforcement agencies in North Dakota received over \$5.0 million million in funding to support 29 police officers' salaries and benefits for three years.

#### Just One of Many Great Examples of How the Recovery Act is Investing in North Dakota's Future

The Spirit Lake Tribe received \$230,000 for its child care facility from the Department of Health and Human Services. The funds were used to improve othe quality and delivery of childcare services, while assisting families needing childcare by continuedoperation of the Early Learning Childcare Facilty.