

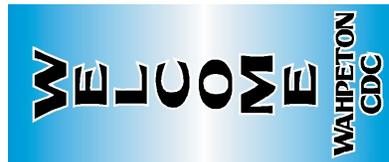


A message from WDCDC President  
Bruce Weeda

The Wahpeton CDC is in its 60<sup>th</sup> year of supporting economic development in the Wahpeton area. There are many success stories of community, business and industrial development that have benefited from the resources the WDCDC have helped bring to the table. As the Wahpeton CDC continues to seek and work with development opportunities your membership support can help insure this important resource is available. I encourage you to be an active member of WDCDC and share your expertise and energy in helping the continued economic development of our area. Thank you.

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Membership in the  
**Wahpeton  
Community  
Development  
Corporation**



## Who We Are.

Initially formed as a shareholder organization in 1958 the Wahpeton Community Development Corporation has been at the forefront of business and industrial development for 59 years and continues to expand its responsibilities to other economic sectors such as housing and retail development. The group changed from owning shares of stock to a “membership” format to make it more affordable to join and participate. **What does this mean for you?** It means that while the 15-member Board of Directors make the day-to-day decisions, their real power and responsibility remains in the interests and desires of all members of the Wahpeton Community Development Corporation.

**What are membership benefits?** Membership in the WCDC enables participants to vote in annual elections and on issues that the board may put up for a vote. Every membership gets one vote. Other benefits include the ability to voice your opinion at meetings on issues you would like the WCDC to tackle, work on ad-hoc committees of importance to you, and network with other people who believe in the vision and mission of the WCDC.

**Vision.** Advance Wahpeton’s Growth and Prosperity

## Membership.

There is strength in numbers and in diversity of perspectives. To help you decide if you would like to become a member or you are renewing and need a refresher, here is more information on membership to the WCDC:

**Who is eligible for membership?** Any business, organization, corporation or individual within a 20 mile radius of Wahpeton, or a designated representative of a member organization/ corporation whose business address is within 20 miles of Wahpeton. Those outside of the 20 mile radius can still join as non-voting members.

**What does membership cost?** There is an initial \$100 application fee. Renewals are \$30 every three years.

**Mission.** It is the mission of the Wahpeton Community Development Corporation to provide strategic leadership in community economic development policies, programs, and projects within the City of Wahpeton and greater Wahpeton area.



LOOKING WEST ALONG DAKOTA AVENUE—Wahpeton’s Main Street

## Our Success.

It would be hard for any single person or development office to lead a multi-million dollar effort without the help of the WCDC. The strategic planning that ensues and broad perspectives shared by members is definitely a step needed in the process to address the opportunities that companies and cities face. WCDC is much more flexible in decision-making and administration, making deal flow more productive and manageable.

Affordable housing and larger scale retail stores have been part of WCDC’s past and continue to play into future strategies to improve the overall economic well-being of the area.

Because of the close working relationship between the City and CDC we find on occasion members themselves are the very catalysts to bring a project to fruition and that can be exciting!

**Approachable.** No matter if you are a board member, an ex-officio, a voting designee or a non-voter just interested in what is happening in the area, know that the WCDC Board is here and available to answer your questions. Support for efforts can come in many forms and we encourage leaders at all stages and ages of life to look us up.

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