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New Leaf: Housing for Workforce Families

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Team

- Northcountry Cooperative Foundation (Developer)
- FannieMae (Sponsor)
- Streetfront Development (Advisor)
- Cardo Designs (Urban Designer)
- Slip Stream (Technical Assistance)

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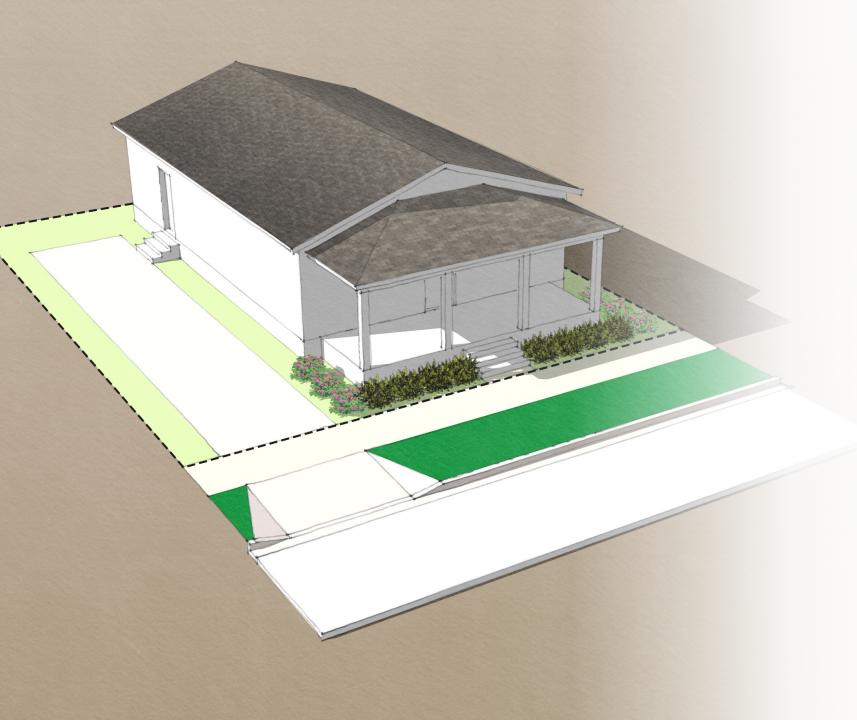


Agenda

- 1. Objectives
- 2. How
- 3. Site Location and Site Plan
- 4. Typical House
- 5. Cooperative Structure

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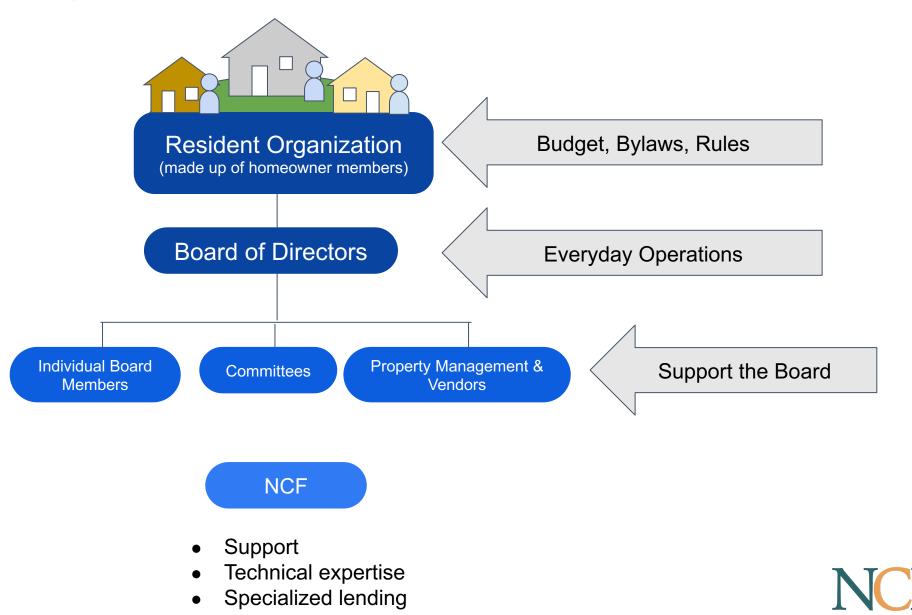
- 6. Results
- 7. Next Steps



Objectives

- 50-100 new homes
- Ownership attainable at workforce incomes
- Quality homes that are:
 - Energy efficient
 - Well-made
 - Long-lasting

Co-op Management & Governance



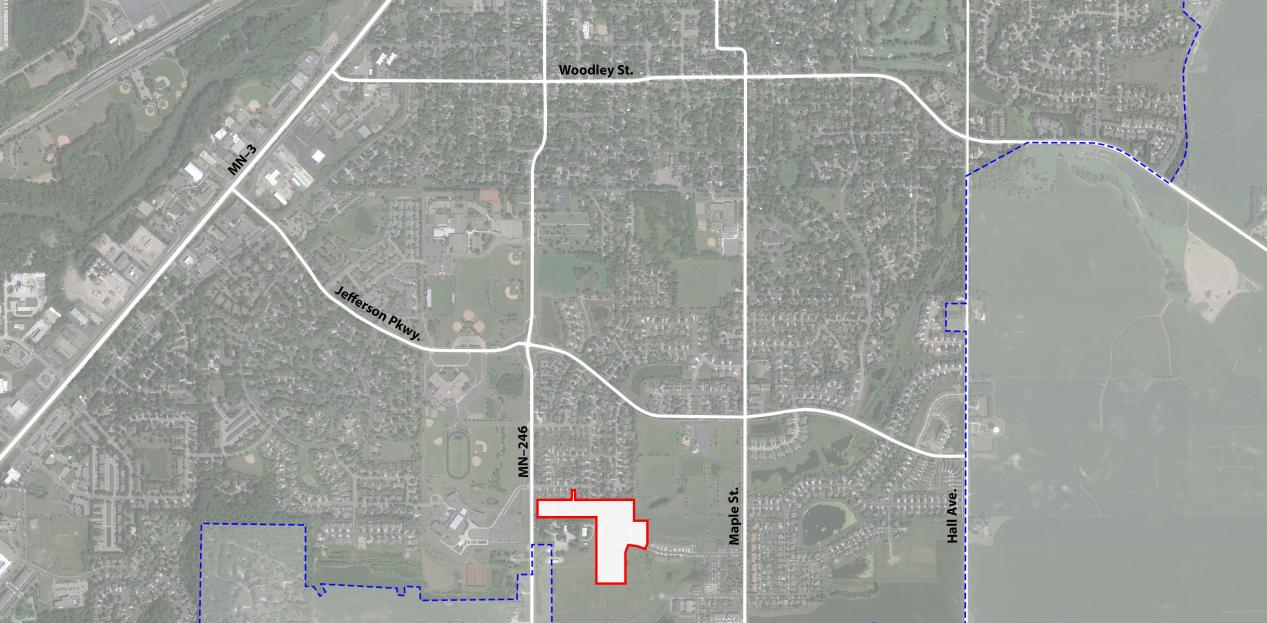
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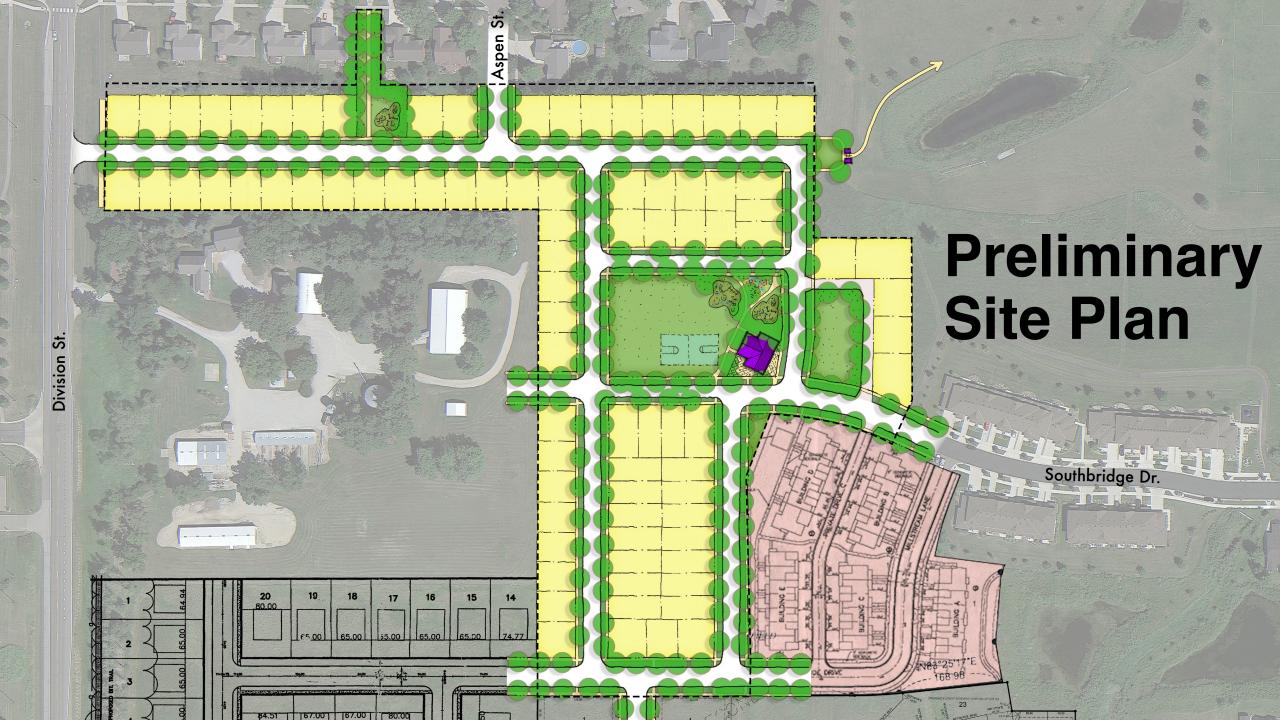
- Pre-designed, factory-built
- Cooperative ownership model
- Efficient financing
- Municipal infrastructure

Higher quality for less \$



Site Location





Trail Connections

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Factory-Built

- Not our grandparents' manufactured home
- Vast improvements over 40 years
- With a large order (50-100 homes), we control the specification
- Third-party quality requirements
- Inexpensive but not cheap
- MN-based factory for lower transportation costs



Quality

- Higher insulation
- DOE Zero-Energy
 program
- Roof and Foundation requirements
- Installation review
- Homeowner training

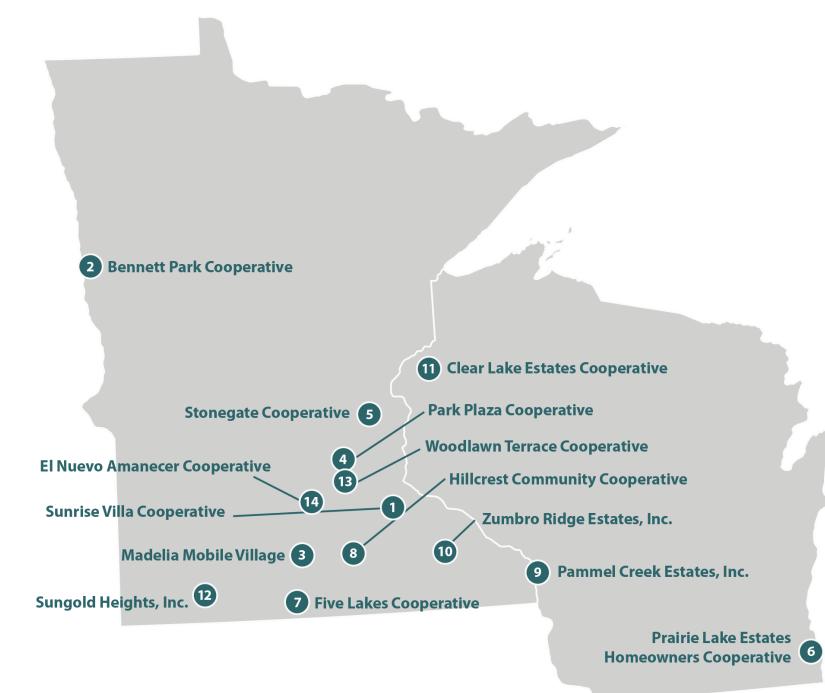
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 Ongoing technical assistance

Cooperative Structure

- Resident governance
- Ongoing technical assistance
- Land lease
- Property maintenance





Results

- 1. Stable housing costs
- 2. Reduced police calls
- 3. Happier residents
- 4. More community interaction

Fannie Mae has funded the initial research and development phase

Next Steps

2023:

- Development rights on HRA parcel
- Pursuit of state funding
- Continued concept
 development
- Define quality standards
- Select manufacturer

2024:

- Construction
- Operations

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