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## NA! Accomplishments

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- ❖ Neighbourhoods Alive! has committed over \$26.5 million for revitalization activities in urban neighbourhoods in need:
  - \$16.6 million has been allocated to support almost 400 community projects; and
  - \$9.9 million has been committed for the repair, rehabilitation or construction of over 1,700 housing units.
  
- ❖ NA! has funded over 75 recreation and youth programming and enhancement projects totaling over \$2 million, including: playground rehabilitation/construction; community centre enhancements; youth athletic programs (e.g. Winnipeg Aboriginal Sport Achievement Centre) and youth leaderships projects (e.g. Rotary Leadership Circle).
  
- ❖ NA! has supported 21 crime and safety projects totaling over \$925,000 (e.g. the North End School Resource Officers program).
  
- ❖ NA! has funded 15 health and wellness projects totaling over \$450,000 (e.g. the Good Food Box food security project in West Broadway).
  
- ❖ With NA! support totaling almost \$3 million, more than 300 people in the designated neighbourhoods have received training for career oriented jobs (e.g. family support workers).
  
- ❖ 32 NA! Lighthouses sites have been established throughout the province with an investment of over \$1.5 million. These community-based partnerships keep the doors of community facilities and schools open to provide recreational and social programming to at risk youth.

Preliminary findings indicate that NA! investment in neighbourhoods in need is having the intended results:

- The collapse of inner city housing values by 1999, particularly in Winnipeg's North End, was a major impetus for NA!. The most recent available data indicates house prices have risen by 45% in the North End since 1999.

- NA! was also part of a multi-faceted, intergovernmental response to an alarming increase in inner city arsons. Between 1999 and 2003 (most recent data available), the arson rate in the North End dropped by 40% in the North End, by 48% in Spence and by 35% in West Broadway.
- ❖ A recent survey of community stakeholders has found that:
  - 86% of respondents observe positive neighbourhood change in all NA! neighbourhoods, with housing as the most commonly cited example of improvement.
  - 83% intend to remain in their neighbourhood for the foreseeable future.
  - There is an increase in community pride in all communities, as well as a noted increase in the capacity of community residents.
  - Residents in all NA! neighbourhoods recognize and value the work of their local Neighbourhood Renewal Corporation (NRC).
  - The community-led model supported by NA! is viewed as enabling the NRCs to undertake work that nobody else has been doing in their neighbourhoods, and as a great vehicle for change.