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(Neb.)-City Of Chadron Obtains Grant Money For Downtown Revitalization Planning  [Listen](#)

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Photo: City manager Wayne Anderson shares the news that Chadron has been approved for Phase I of its downtown revitalization project with funding from the state. (Photo by KCSR-Roxie Graham-Marski)

(CHADRON)-The city of Chadron has received word through a letter sent to Mayor Karin Fischer that the city has been approved for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) that had been applied for recently. The grant is for up to \$23,500 and is to be used for Phase I of the city's proposed downtown revitalization project. At the city council meeting Monday evening, city manager Wayne Anderson says the ball has been rolling for some time in hopes of obtaining these funds.

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Anderson explains that this initial phase opens up possibilities for the city as officials aim toward reaching Phase II.

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Anderson says the city intends to hire a professional planner to help create a master revitalization plan for the city. Once the plan is created, it will be sent back to the state with a second application for additional funds to begin phase II, the implementation stage, by March 2014. If funds are available, the city could receive an additional \$350,000 toward their downtown revitalization project.

Anderson says a grant like this is important to the community and the opportunity has come at just the right time.

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The funds are released to the state from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and are made available to applicants, such as the city of Chadron, as they become available.

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