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Beloit College, affordable housing, revitalizing streets, bolstering economic opportunities in community targeted.

BELOIT — Gov. Tony Evers announced Wednesday the city of Beloit will receive a \$9 million Neighborhood Investment Fund grant to help with the development of a Community Outreach and Engagement Center at Beloit College to find solutions to complex community problems by fostering collaboration between partnerships that exist between Beloit College and the School District of Beloit, Beloit Health System, the Boys & Girls Club, Acts Housing, Community Action, and the NAACP, among others.



“Whether it’s addressing affordable housing, revitalizing our main streets, or bolstering opportunities in local communities, we’re making sure that our neighborhoods in every corner of the state are able to thrive for years to come,” said Gov. Evers. “I am thrilled to invest these funds in the people and neighborhoods in Beloit to build on the innovation, ingenuity, and collaboration that already exists to better serve the families, workers, and communities who call Beloit home.”

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Beloit College plans to renovate Morse Library on campus to house the new Community Outreach and Engagement Center, and when combined with existing programs at Beloit College, it is expected the Center would touch the lives of all 36,000 Beloit residents, especially those who are otherwise underserved.

Part of a nearly \$650 million investment allocated by the governor for community building and recovery efforts statewide, the Neighborhood Investment Fund program was announced in [August 2021](#)

and is administered by the Wisconsin Department of Administration (DOA). Grants being awarded range in size from \$1 million to a maximum of \$15 million and are funded through the American Rescue Plan Act. Applications opened on Sept. 30, 2021, and closed on Nov. 11, 2021. Additional information can be found on the [program website](#)

. Recipients of the Neighborhood Investment Fund program will be announced on a rolling basis over the course of the next week, at which time a full list of grant awardees will be released.

“The Neighborhood Investment award from Governor Evers will make a lasting impact for the city of Beloit,” said DOA Secretary-designee Kathy Blumenfeld. “Partnerships empower opportunity, and the Community Outreach and Engagement Center at Beloit College will make it possible for students and Beloit residents to get a chance to engage, take advantage of community resources, and further their career opportunities.”

Wisconsinites can visit BadgerBounceback.wi.gov to view pandemic-related assistance information for families, farmers, businesses, organizations, and communities, as well as the latest data and success stories about how COVID-relief investments are making a difference across the state. For updates on other recovery-related grant opportunities, sign up for the [Badger Bounceback update list](#)

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