



**Prairie Lodge
525 Fenton
Avenue North
Grand Forks, ND
58203-1507**

***Project Based
Voucher Selection***

Rent \$340.00
Lodge Fees \$205.00

Prairie Lodge opened in June 2000. Prairie Lodge is the first Lodge model to open in North Dakota. This Lodge program is designed to follow the Fairweather Lodge Model. This is a national model developed by Dr. George Fairweather for adults with serious mental illness. This model is currently operating in several states throughout the United States. The primary philosophy driving this model is that people who live and work together can more easily recover and find stability with support from their peers. Staff presence at Prairie Lodge is minimal and employment is a requirement. Residents are employed at a business run by Prairie Harvest Mental Health. Prairie Lodge is a permanent supportive living housing choice.

Prairie Lodge consists of 6 individual bedrooms on two floors with shared kitchen, living room and laundry areas. Stairs are the only way to navigate between the floors. This residence was made available to Prairie Harvest Mental Health from the Grand Forks Housing Authority. As a direct result of the local flood of 1997, this home was designated a "flood home", donated to Prairie Harvest Mental Health, moved to its current address and placed on a new foundation then refurbished with grant dollars.



Supportive services are provided through partnership with Northeast Human Service Center. Northeast Human Service Center provides Case Management while Prairie Harvest Mental Health provides support with nursing, activities of daily living, employment and groups.



Prairie Lodge is suited for those individuals who are capable of working and living together with minimal staff support. Support services are available on a limited basis. The Lodge resembles a family with each member contributing to the maintenance and care of the house and each other. Members share in managing the home, including domestic chores and the purchase and preparation of food. Members may also prior to placement on the waiting list, approve who is accepted to live at the lodge by way of majority rules decision-making. Lodge fees assessed toward all tenants pay for groceries, cable, newspaper and other amenities. Individuals with Axis II disorders are poorly suited for life at a Lodge and will not be considered. Staff supervision is provided during work hours and lodge members problem solve by making their own house rules and managing their own activities when at home. Individuals who are capable of navigating stairs are more suited to living at Harvest Lodge than those with limited mobility.