



Michigan Historic Preservation Network To Rehab Three Homes in Detroit's Nardin Park Neighborhood

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Michigan Historic Preservation Network (MHPN) has received grants from the 1772 Foundation and the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) to rehab three homes in Detroit's Nardin Park Neighborhood. The grants will be matched with monies from MHPN's revolving fund, money set aside for the rehab of historic buildings.

Nardin Park spans 588 acres (.92 sq miles) and includes 3,611 properties. Of those, 1,920 belong to the Detroit Land Bank Authority (DLBA), some with vacant buildings and homes and others that are vacant land where homes or businesses once stood. In 2018, the City of Detroit begin community meetings in Nardin Park and the neighboring Russell Woods Historic District to develop one of fifteen Neighborhood Framework Plans across the city. The meetings concluded in June of 2019 with the residents determining its four priorities, one being "stabilize residential blocks." The DLBA's "Rehabbed and Ready" program is beginning work on properties in Russell Woods with plans to extend into Nardin Park. This project will build on these efforts.

In the upcoming months, MHPN will select the specific properties to be rehabbed with a plan to purchase three in close proximity to magnify the success of each individual rehab. The rehab will follow the *U.S. Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation* and a covenant will be placed on each property to ensure its long-term maintenance and preservation.

Any funds received from the sale of these rehabbed homes will be returned to the revolving fund to be used for future rehab projects. Many thanks to the 1772 Foundation and MSHDA for their support.



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