# FRESH START

Partnership of City of Mobridge and Walworth County Municipalities



### **Property Rehabilitation Program**

<u>Purpose</u>: Revitalize blighted properties suffering from delinquent taxes and nuisance issues into redeveloped tax-paying properties.

<u>Overview</u>: Properties that end up in municipal ownership will have County and City fees removed, will be cleaned up, and sold to private ownership for another chance at adding value to property tax base.

<u>Benefits</u>: Blighted properties can drain value from the neighborhood, pose potential hazards and dangers, and cost money for the City and County to maintain and abate.

#### Goals:

- Blight Removal
- Streamline Disposition and Reuse of Dilapidated Property
- Reduce Maintenance Costs and Time on Dilapidated Properties
- Neighborhood Redevelopment
- Create Affordable Housing Options

#### What This Program is Not:

- Means to evade paying all or part of taxes and assessments you already own
- Way to avoid paying for title insurance on a property
- · Guarantee that property is free and clear of any non-municipal fees, judgements, liens
- Method to have municipalities pay for cleanup of nuisance issues on property you already own
- · Meant to interfere with the free market environment of willing buyers and sellers of real estate

## **Eligible Properties**

- Within Mobridge City Limits
- Surrendered to County Treasurer for past due amounts
- Donated to City or County for program
- Tax deed obtained by County as of: March 1, 2016 (effective date)

