



FIRST RESPONDER SKILLS TRAINING CENTER

FiRST Center Overview

- Designed to meet regional training needs with purpose-built facilities.
- Immersive, reality-based training enhanced by cutting-edge AV technology.
- Funded through federal, state and local resources.
- Flexible and adaptable to support the evolving needs of public safety professionals.
- Set to open in 2026.



Dedicated spaces for specialized skills training and development:

- **Dedicated mats room** for training in defensive tactics, response to resistance and de-escalation.
- **Two-story reality-based training space** with flexible wall systems to simulate various commercial and residential environments.
- **Virtual reality training** to enhance decision-making skills under pressure.
- **12-lane, 50-yard** tactical range designed for advanced training.
- **Six-lane, 25-yard adjustable target range**—open to the public.

FiRST Center Construction Costs Summary

Project Cost	\$25,829,024
State of Minnesota Funding Grant	-\$7,170,000
Federal Congressional Directed Funding	-\$800,000
Total City Costs	\$17,859,024
Estimated Taxable Material on the Project	\$6,225,000
Sales Tax Rate	6.825%
Potential Savings	\$427,969