EAST CENTRAL REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Annual Report
FY 2012

Greetings East Central Minnesota!

I am pleased to present the 2012 Annual Report of the East Central Regional Development Commission (ECRDC). Each year the Commission prepares a report that lists its accomplishments toward fulfilling the ECRDC's mission. This report includes the programs, projects, and related financial information for the period starting on July 1, 2011 and ending on June 30, 2012. You'll see in the following pages the significant contributions your regional commission makes toward the betterment of East Central Minnesota.

The ECRDC continues its efforts to bring resources that foster economic and community development in the region. This past year we joined with our sister organization, the Region 5 Development Commission, to add a USDA micro-lending program for small businesses in our two regions. We also received approval from the U.S. Economic Development Administration to include Chisago County in the lending area for our Regional Revolving Loan fund for small businesses. Affinity Med Tech, a high tech manufacturer in Chisago City, was the first to access the program for their expansion efforts. The Community Development department was active in assisting a number of local units of government with land use planning activities. This included the start of a large comprehensive planning effort for Mille Lacs County which is scheduled to be substantially completed Spring 2013.

The Commission's transportation planning department successfully managed a solicitation process making available nearly $5 million in federal funds for local road, bridge, and transit projects during fiscal years 2016 and 2017. In addition, the ECRDC also completed its seventh year of partnering with the MN Dept. of Public Safety for Safe Roads initiatives in Kanabec and Isanti Counties. We recently received approval to continue this highly effective program for another two years.

The ECRDC's aging program - the East Central Senior Resource Center (ECSRC) – was also buzzing with activity during the past year. The Senior LinkAge® program assisted over 3600 senior clients and their families with a wide range of inquiries including medical insurance, transportation, home health care, and nutrition. Last fall, we welcomed Amy Tvedt to the ECRDC staff as a Senior Outreach Specialist. Amy stands ready to assist older adults in identifying needed resources. Another ECSRC program, the Caregiver Consultant program, assists caregivers of older adults to find resources in their community that support and enhance their role as caregivers. The Caregiver program has been quite popular in the region and is on track to serve over 1400 clients this year which is 35% more than originally anticipated.

On behalf of the Commission, I want to take this opportunity to thank outgoing Commission Member Bill Bresin (Forest Lake Schools) for his service to the ECRDC over the years. Also, a warm welcome to our newly appointed Commission Members – Sue Thompson (Chisago County Townships) and Channa Tastsides (Rush City Schools) as newly appointed Commission Members.

Finally, a special thanks to the ECRDC Board, the various advisory committees, volunteers and the staff for another great year! The ECRDC's success could never happen without the tremendous effort you all put forth. I am quite proud of our accomplishments and excited for the many exciting challenges that lie ahead.

Yours truly,

Robert L. Voss
Executive Director

FINANCIAL

	FY2012 ADOPTED BUDGET	FY2012 ACTUAL UNAUDITED	FY2013 ADOPTED BUDGET
REVENUES			
Taxes	$ 254,630	$ 265,342	$ 264,390
Aging-CMCOA	$ 241,443	$ 237,423	$ 221,442
Transit	$ -	$ 3,581	$ -
EDA	$ 52,628	$ 71,256	$ 62,628
EDA-7W	$ -	$ 13,547	$ -
State Transportation	$ 50,000	$ 50,000	$ 50,000
Contracts	$ 41,640	$ 64,376	$ 88,000
Interest/Other	$ 20,350	$ 39,000	$ 41,740
Foundations	$ 25,000	$ 14,100	$ 10,000
Dept. of Public Safety	$ 20,000	$ 15,001	$ 28,000
RLF-Interest/Fees	$ 14,827	$ 19,927	$ 12,387
RLF-Repayments	$ 46,924	$ 92,434	$ 80,105
TOTAL REVENUES	**$ 767,442**	**$ 885,987**	**$ 858,692**
EXPENDITURES			
General Fund	$ 93,056	$ 77,221	$ 88,026
RLF-Administration	$ 11,226	$ 10,418	$ 16,789
State Transportation	$ 83,071	$ 77,023	$ 79,426
Aging Program-Administration	$ 371,901	$ 340,345	$ 349,372
EDA	$ 132,318	$ 141,657	$ 185,376
EDA 7W	$ -	$ 13,884	$ -
Contracts	$ -	$ 43,232	$ -
Safe Communities	$ 20,000	$ 51,548	$ 44,450
Transit	$ -	$ 1,058	$ -
LWAH	$ -	$ 6,964	$ -
RLF Loans	$ 60,000	$ 117,000	$ 75,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**$ 771,572**	**$ 880,350**	**$ 838,439**
Gen'l Fund Revenues over/under Expenses	$ 5,345	$ 20,694	$ 19,550
Prior Year Gen'l Fund Balances	$ 46,024	$ 46,024	$ 46,024
Current Year Gen'l Fund Balances	$ 51,369	$ 66,718	$ 65,574

ECRDC STAFF
JULY 1, 2011 - JUNE 30, 2012

ROBERT L. VOSS
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

MICHELE BOLLENBECK
EAST CENTRAL SENIOR RESOURCE CENTER
OUTREACH SPECIALIST

ROBERT BOLLENBECK
TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM DIRECTOR
TOWARD ZERO DEATHS COORDINATOR

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COMMUNITY/ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

Jeremy Riddle, Vice-Chairman
Ben Montzka, Chairman
Janelle Troupe, Treasurer/Secretary

EAST CENTRAL REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

The East Central Regional Development Commission (ECRDC) is a public agency. The board members are represented by officials appointed by county boards, townships, municipalities, school boards and citizens at large.

The ECRDC is funded through a local tax levy and planning/program grants and contracts from state agencies, federal agencies and foundations.

MISSION OF THE EAST CENTRAL REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

The mission is to provide leadership and direction through creative problem solving. We do this by initiating projects and programs that lead to creative solutions to regional problems, providing technical assistance and identifying and developing available resources. We serve in a leader-ship role as an advocate for East Central Minnesota to bring about positive change.

ECRDC BOARD MEMBERS

Chisago County
Jill Behnke, Municipalities
Sue Thompson, Township Rep.
Wayne Houle, Township Rep.
Ben Montzka, County Comm.
Steven Kimmel, Public Interest

Isanti County
Richard Hansen, Township Rep.
George Larson, County Comm.
Sue Larson, Public Interest
Marlys Palmer, Municipalities

Kanabec County
Dave Chmiel, Municipalities
Les Nielsen, County Comm.
Dave Patenaude, Township Rep.
Janelle Troupe, Public Interest

Municipalities over 10,000
City of North Branch

Mille Lacs County
Jack Edmonds, County Comm.
Linda Evans, Public Interest
Jeremy Riddle, Municipalities
Barbara Welty, Township Rep.

Pine County
Frank Grundmeier, Twp Rep.
Steve Hallan, County Comm.
Fred Lere, Public Interest
Paul Venhuizen, Municipalities

School Board Representatives
Bill Bresin, Southern
Channa Tastsides, Southern
Steve Odegard, Northern

Native American Tribal Representative
Carla Dunkley

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Ben Montzka, ECRDC Chairman/Chisago County Commissioner presented at the Legislative Forum held on January 9, 2012 at Cambridge City Hall..

VALUE ADDED COMM. DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES: The ECRDC provided local assistance to various economic development groups and local government.

Economic Development Partnerships: The ECRDC partners regularly with the following organizations: Cambridge Development Alliance, East Central Minnesota Workforce Partnership, Central MN Workforce Investment Board, Central MN Housing Partnership, ECMN Business Services Board, GPS 45:93 and City / County Administrators & Economic Development Professionals. Example of positive results gleaned from these meetings include: developing a regional brand, marketing initiatives, regional business assistance directory, and a regional website.

SCORE: The ECRDC operates a satellite office of the St. Cloud chapter of SCORE. SCORE provides one-on-one counseling to entrepreneurs and those wanting to start a business on a variety of topics free-of-charge. SCORE also facilitates business related educational classes to assist entrepreneurs with sharpening their business skills.

Community Planning: The ECRDC is assisting Mille Lacs Co. in creating their new Comprehensive Plan, as well as consulted with and assisted several local units of government with updates of their planning tools.

GPS 45:93 Collaboration: The ECRDC continues its economic development partnership with the GPS 45:93 in attracting high technology firms to Region 7E. Projects this past year include the creation of a "virtual business incubator" to assist entrepreneurs, as well as conducting a series of business expansion and retention visits across the region.

In partnership with GPS 45:93, the ECRDC facilitated a regional Business Export Summit on Wednesday, June 27th at Spirit River Community Center in Isanti. The focus of this Export Summit was to link business leaders and entrepreneurs with service providers and resources to assist them in growing their business by exporting their goods and services abroad. Presentations were given to 50+ attendees by representatives of the Initiative Foundation, the Minnesota Trade Office, the US Small Business Administration, the US Commercial Service, and businesses in our region currently exporting their products.

Carlos Sosa, Regional Manager of the Export Solutions Group at the SBA's Office of International Trade, presents on financing solutions

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

City/County Clerks, 7W Administrator meeting .

City / County Clerks, Administrators & Economic Development Professionals Meetings: The ECRDC organizes a City Administrator meeting quarterly to discuss mutual key issues occurring in the Region 7E communities. Past topics include financing opportunities for local units of government and business, grants and financing for infrastructure improvement, and regional marketing initiatives. The City Administrator meetings have evolved into a best practices approach to city economic development. Issues and speakers are selected that will provide insight that will assist local governments with solving key issues in zoning, planning, economic development, and housing.

REGION 7E CEDS / EDA PROGRAM: In spring, 2011, the ECRDC was asked by the St. Cloud Area Economic Development Partnership (SCAEDP), manager of the Federal EDA / CEDS program for Region 7W (Benton, Sherburne, Stearns and Wright Counties), to take over management of this program and work towards EDA Economic Development District (EDD) status for two years upon the voluntary closure of the SCAEDP at the end of April, 2011, and work towards creating a permanent home for this program within Region 7W.

COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDS) / EDA PLANNING GRANT: The ECRDC is implementing our five year CEDS. The CEDS catalogs the region's currently and historical demographics and economic conditions, identifies weaknesses and threats, and identifies strategies that have the potential to help mitigate these roadblocks to the region's prosperity.

The Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) process is designed to guide the economic growth of the region. The CEDS is required in order to qualify for Economic Development Administration (EDA) Planning Grant Assistance under its public works, economic adjustment, and most planning programs; and is a prerequisite for designation by EDA as an economic development district (EDD). Multiple surveys were conducted of local government and community leaders for completion on projects in process, and future infrastructure, housing, and economic development needs that may require EDA assistance.

The ECRDC assisted the City of North Branch and Pine Technical College in Pine City in preparing applications to the EDA and administering these grants for a variety of projects. In May, 2010, the EDA granted Pine Technical College $1.44 million for the remodeling and expansion of an existing building on their campus into an Entrepreneurship Center and Technology Business Incubator. Preparation for this expansion is currently underway, and ECRDC staff members serve on several committees for this project. It is anticipated that construction will be completed and the doors opened in 2013.

CEDS Advisory Board

John Schrage	Rebecca Perotti	Paul Venhuizen
Marlys Palmer	Jeremy Riddle	Jill Behnke
Dave Chmiel	Bob Voss	Robert Mus-

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Revolving Loan Fund Loan Committee. Front row, L to R: Robert L. Voss – ECRDC Executive Director, Brian Anderson – Isanti County, Sue Larson – ECRDC liaison and at-large member, Mike Weinand- Kanabec County. Back row, L to R: Bruce Montgomery – Isanti County, Frank Christopherson – Pine County, Wayne Bekius – Mille Lacs County, and Jim Neely – Mille Lacs County. Not pictured: Nancy Dahlin – Chisago County, Beth Thorp – Kanabec County, Leonard Bonander – Pine County, Bill Miller – Chisago County.

Affinity Med Tech Revolving Loan Fund closing.

REVOLVING LOAN FUND (RLF): The ECRDC RLF provides gap financing for businesses looking to open, expand or relocate to Mille Lacs, Pine, Isanti, Chisago & Kanabec Counties. The ECRDC employs the RLF as a tool in recruiting new businesses, maintaining and expanding existing ones, creating and retaining good paying jobs and strengthening the economic base of East Central Minnesota. The Federal EDA recently approved the RLF lending to Chisago County Businesses. The RLF currently has 12 loans outstanding.

MICRO LOAN FUND: The ECRDC has partnered with their sister Regional Development Commission, Region Five Development Commission based in Staples, MN, in creating and micro-lending program to serve the ten counties served by our two Regional Development Commission. This micro-loan fund was created by the USDA Rural Development's Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program (RMAP). This loan fund nicely complements our EDA Revolving Loan Fund.

Job Opportunity Building Zones (JOBZ) Awards: The ECRDC is the JOBZ Administrator for Region 7E. There are currently 13 JOBZ projects in Region 7E. Approximately half of the 1,486 acres zoned JOBZ has been awarded. According to State records, JOBZ will have created 414 jobs and retained 219 more in Region 7E. These thirteen businesses will have invested over $56.4 million in these facilities, and have an annual payroll of over $22.4 million dollars. For more information, see our website: www.ecrdc.org.

LEGISLATIVE FORUM: The ECRDC facilitated a Legislative Forum on January 9, 2012, for elected officials and staff from our local units of government to meet our region's state and federal legislators. Cities and counties shared their concerns about economic development and other job creating initiatives, as well as budgetary concerns. This event was well attended and well received.

Legislative Forum Attendees

EAST CENTRAL SENIOR RESOURCE CENTER

ECSRC Volunteers and Staff—Sharon Toenies, Penny Simonsen, Michele Bollenbeck, Ella Martins, Rosie Westmoreland, Fran Caron, Betty Jean Ladda, Eileen Stitz, Kay Calander, Jayne Mund, Anita Sparks, Dian Boser, AmyTvedt, and Harriet Johnson

The East Central Senior Resource Center serves older adults, their families, the communities where they re-side, and the providers of the services and pro-grams they access. The mission —Fostering development of and access to resources for older adults in East Central Min-nesota‖, sums up the work of the East Central Senior Re-source Center (ECSRC).

The paid staff of the ECSRC includes director Penny Si-monsen, and outreach coordinators Amy Tvedt, Michele Bollenbeck and Lynda Hayek, and caregiver consultants Jayne Mund and Anita Sparks. Volunteer staff are vital to the work of the agency. Volunteer staff assist with every aspect of the day-in-day-out work of the ECSRC. They are: Elva Anderson, Diann Boser, Kaynetta Calander, Frances Caron, Harriet Johnson, Nadean Johnson, Betty Jean Ladda, Ella Martens, Joyce Rebischke, Eileen Stitz, Connie Strandberg, Sharon Toenies, and Rose-Marie Westmoreland.

In 1965 the U.S. Congress enacted legislation known as the Older American's Act. The Act authorizes Area Agen-cies on Aging (AAA) to fund local public and non-profit organizations to develop/expand ser-vices for persons over 60. Through a contract with the Central Minnesota Council on Aging, the ECSRC provides services through three broad program areas: development of senior pro-grams; caregiver services; and information, referral and assistance services.

Information, Referral and Assistance Services
The ECSRC is part of a statewide network known as the Senior LinkAge Line®--a telephone based information and assistance service. Trained staff assist clients in locating a variety of services. Staff provides one-on-one assistance with accessing prescription drug programs (including Medicare Part D), understanding medical bills, insurance claims and Medicare cover-age. The individualized help is objective and confidential. The information, referral and assistance services at the ECSRC responded to over 3,600 callers. Over forty presentations were offered teaching seniors the basics of computer use and navigating the internet to access information about Medicare, among other things. Published yearly the ECSRC resource guide contains information about many of the services avail-able in the region.

Senior Surf… Catch the Wave
During these half day events, older adults learn to "surf the web"…navigating the world wide web, specifically Social Security's internet website among others. Computer basics, e-mailing and op-portunities for learners to ex-plore areas of in-terest during the class times.

EAST CENTRAL SENIOR RESOURCE CENTER

Development of Senior Programs

Senior service provider networks in each county offer an opportunity for providers of aging services from government, non-profit and for-profit sectors to come together. The networking events, while informal in nature, offer opportunities for new partnerships and more communication between service providers and development of new services. Over 250 persons participated in the monthly events.

The State of Minnesota through the Minnesota Department of Human Services has funding available to agencies, businesses and organizations through the Community Services/Service Development (CS/SD) funds—with the intent of the resources to be put toward assisting older adults to remain independently in their communities longer and thus reducing the rate of nursing home admissions by increasing the avail-ability of community-based services. The ECSRC worked closely with agencies, businesses and organizations to submit applications for CS/SD and other appropriate funding to develop new senior community-based services in the five county region.

Soup 'n Pie is held the last Wednesday of each month at the Isle Recreation Education Center. This is an opportunity to inform and discuss issues older adults and their families are facing. .
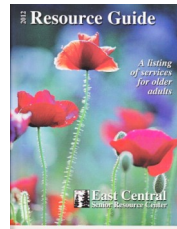
Resource Guide- A Listing of Services for Older Adults
Each year the ECSRC publishes a resource guide containing information about services available to seniors in the region. Copies of the resource guide are available through the Center and many locations throughout the region.

The guide, supported by paid advertisement offer local service providers an opportunity to financially support the well-recognized publication. Service provider listings remain free of charge as a public service of the Center. Over 6,000 copies were distributed last year to older adults and their families.

Caregiver Services
The ECSRC expanded the amount of caregiver counseling services available to caregivers throughout the region. Caregiver consultants offer help to caregivers to manage and live their life while caring for another person, offers caregivers expert advice, assists caregivers to develop their unique personal action plan, connects caregivers to community resources, helping them see all available options and helps caregivers identify strategies and solutions to remain as a caregiver longer. Over 120 caregivers were served, and more than 1000 hours of direct client contact reported.

ECSRC Volunteers

Elva Anderson	Joyce Rebischke
Diann Boser	Eileen Stitz
Kaynetta Calander	Connie Strandberg
Frances Caron	Nadean Johnson
Betty Jean Ladda	Sharon Toenies
Harriet Johnson	Rose-Marie Westmoreland
Ella Martens	

TRANSPORTATION

Kanabec County Safe Roads Program along with the Kanabec County Sheriff's Department participated in a seat belt awareness project at the local high school. The police officer rewarded those buckled up with a free iTunes download for being buckled up.

Transit

The ECRDC continued transit planning with funds through Mn/DOT. The Local Human Service Transit Coordination Plan was developed with local transit and human service providers. Some of the major initiatives identified included enhancing the regional volunteer driver network, and creating a transportation broker and transit catalyst manager to enhance outreach and education.

The result of this planning will, hopefully, build capacity for Region 7E to address transit needs through New Freedom and /or Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) funding sources as well as foster communication between local transit service providers.

ECRDC continued participation in the Northern Lights Express passenger rail alliance meetings to promote rail service between the Twin Cities and Duluth.

Transportation Funding

The ECRDC successfully implemented the ATP process for region 7E. In working with the Mn/DOT districts and local transportation agencies a two year solicitation was conducted which resulted in programming several regional projects with federal transportation funding. For Federal Fiscal Years 2016 & 2017, local/regional projects totaling nearly $5 million were identified for funding including road, transit, and enhancement projects. Projects recommended for the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) include Kanabec CSAH 5, Isanti CSAH 9, Chisago CSAH 24, Mille Lacs CSAH 4 and transit replacement vehicles for Chisago-Isanti Heartland Express and Timer Trail Public Transit.

Toward Zero Death (TZD) Program

The ECRDC completed its 9th year of a traffic safety initiative in Isanti County. The Toward Zero Deaths initiative, funded through the Dept. of Public Safety, is aimed at reducing fatal and serious motor vehicle crashes through community involvement. Of major importance was the continued development and implementation of a highly successful Safe Cab program which provides rides home to persons who may be too impaired to drive. This program now has provided rides to more than 7000 persons and is funded through a shared cost concept. This program also helped Isanti County achieve one of highest reductions of DUIs in the state over the past few years. In addition, Isanti County Safe Cab has become a model for other communities in Minnesota.

Another unsuspecting driver receives their free iTunes download for being buckled up!

TRANSPORTATION

Seat Belt Project

The ECRDC conducted a seat belt pledge project with schools in Braham and Mora. The pledge drive was aimed at improving seat belt usage. With additional funds through AAA, pledge cards were sent home with students. In return for a parental signed pledge card, students received a wristband with a buckle-up-for-safety message. There was a high rate of return in both elementary schools where the project was conducted.

Transportation Advisory Committee

The ECRDC coordinates the regional transportation advisory committee which provides recommendations on transportation matters. Recommendations to the Commission include investment priorities/funding, functional classification changes, and other transportation matters. This advisory committee also provides a forum to discuss regional transportation issues and is comprised of members from all five counties.

Seat Belt Pledge Project held at the Braham Elementary School.

Transportation Advisory Committee

Todd Blank	**Others**
Bruce Cochran	Adam Josephson
	Bryan Anderson
Mark LeBrun	D3 Trans. Engineer
Mike Fetzek	Steve Voss
Joe Triplett	Brian Isaacson
Brad Dewolf	Kelvin Howieson
Craig Rempp	
Richard Heilman	
Mike Moilanen	
Barbara Welty	
Shawn Williams	

DEMOGRAPHIC SERVICES

Area	1980	1990	2000	2010	2011 Est.
Chisago County	25,717	30,521	41,101	53,887	53,929
Isanti County	23,600	25,921	31,287	37,816	38,209
Kanabec County	12,161	12,802	14,996	16,239	16,170
Mille Lacs County	18,430	18,670	22,330	26,097	26,003
Pine County	19,871	21,264	26,530	29,750	29,647
Region 7E	99,779	109,178	136,244	163,789	163,598
Minnesota	4,075,970	4,375,099	4,919,479	5,303,925	5,332,246

Population Projections			
Area	2000	2020	2035
Chisago County	41,101	75,600	96,080
Isanti County	31,287	57,710,	74,250
Kanabec County	14,996	19,710	21,360
Mille Lacs County	22,330	35,970	42,390
Pine County	26,530	34,320	37,030
Region 7E	136,244	223,300	271,100
Minnesota	4,919,476	5,943,240	6,446,270

Labor Force Projections			
Area	2000	2020	2035
Chisago County	21,840	42,390	51,440
Isanti County	17,120	32,530	39,840
Kanabec County	7,657	10,570	10,750
Mille Lacs County	11,272	19,060	21,450
Pine County	12,766	17,520	17,850
Region 7E	70,655	122,070	125,230
Minnesota	2,691,709	3,278,820	3,360,740

	Chisago	Isanti	Kanabec	Mille Lacs	Pine
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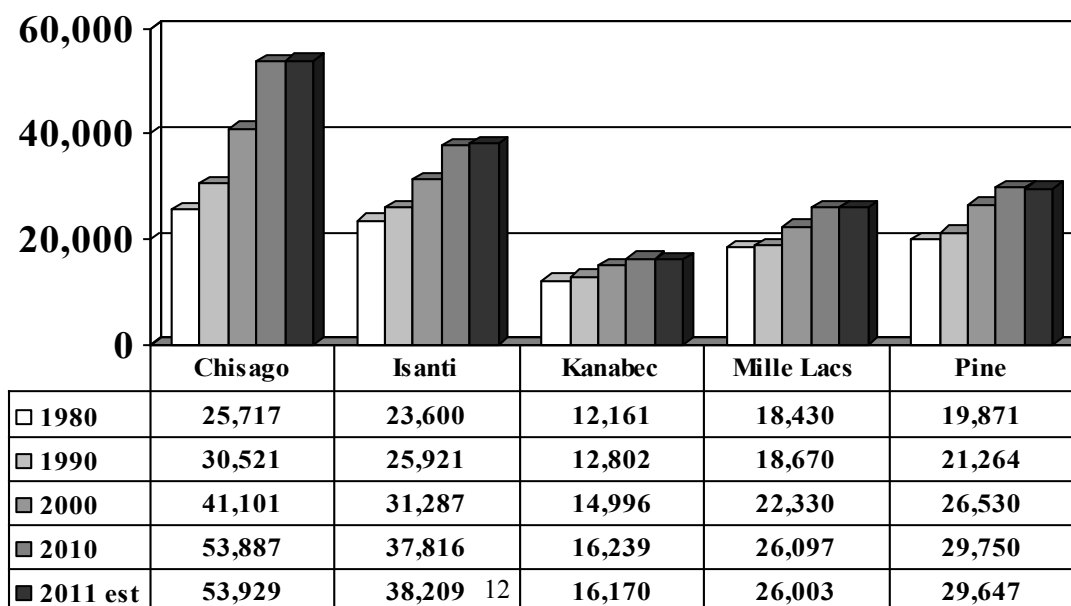
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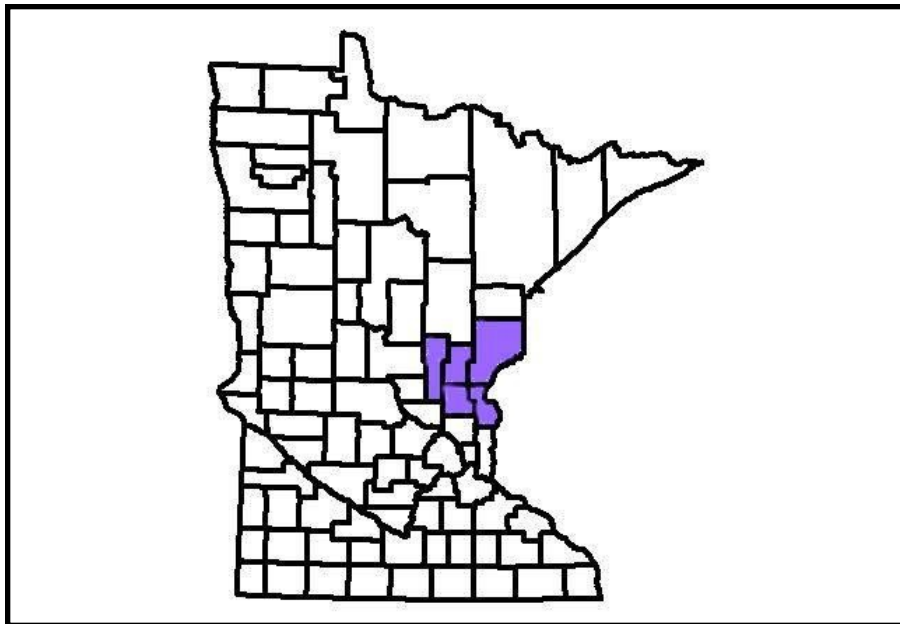
Serving the counties of:

Chisago
Isanti
Kanabec
Mille Lacs
Pine

CHISAGO COUNTY

Program	Organization	Notes
ECSRC	Chisago County	Caregiver Consulting
ECSRC	Harris	Community Service/Service Development technical assistance regarding senior housing project
ECSRC	Chisago County	East Central Senior Resource Center
ECSRC	Chisago County	ECSRC Volunteer staffing at North Branch Senior Center, The Villages of North Branch and Fairview Medical Center-Wyoming
ECSRC	Chisago County	Healthy Eating for Successful Living training
ECSRC	Chisago County	Living Well at Home (Nursing Home Diversion) Project
ECSRC	Chisago County	Matter of Balance training
ECSRC	Chisago County	New to Medicare monthly presentations held throughout the region
ECSRC	Chisago County	Powerful Tools for Caregiver training
ECSRC	Chisago County	Quarterly ECSRC volunteer training
ECSRC	Chisago County	Senior LinkAge Line calls
ECSRC	Chisago County	Senior Surf classes held throughout the Region
ECSRC	Regional	Tools for Powerful Caregiving initiative
ECSRC	Chisago County	Twenty-three volunteer staff work alongside ECRDC staff to provide administrative and out-reach duties
EDA	Regional	5-year Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies (CEDS) completed
EDA	Regional	Assisted EDA in conducting a survey of businesses in Region 7E on how they use or don't use, internet for their business
EDA	Regional	Assisting in conducting Business Retention & Expansion visits across the region
EDA	Chisago County	Blandin Foundation Broadband Study
EDA	Regional	Business Resource Directory
EDA	City Administrators	City Administrators/County Clerks/ & Economic Development Professionals meeting held quarterly
EDA	Region 7W	Contracting with 7W to provide technical assistance to re-establish an EDA District in Region 7W
EDA	Chisago County	Economic Development Administration District
EDA	Chisago County	EDA approved RLF to loan to Chisago County
EDA	Chisago County	Entrepreneur Fair held at the Armed Forces Reserves Center in Cambridge
EDA	Regional	Farmers Market Symposium
EDA	Regional	Financial Resource Summit

CHISAGO COUNTY

Program	Organization	Notes
EDA	Regional	ECRDC Staff GPS 45/93 Board Member
EDA	Chisago County	Housing/Foreclosure Prevention
EDA	Chisago County	JOBZ Administrator
EDA	Chisago County	Participate in regional foreclosure prevention
EDA	Regional	Revolving Loan Fund marketing plan
EDA	Chisago County	Revolving Loan Fund Program
EDA	Chisago County	Small Business Development Center Satellite Office
EDA	Regional	Started the Service Corps of Retired Executives satellite office
EDA	Chisago County	U of M Crookston survey assistance in conducting research businesses in region
EDA	Chisago County	Workforce Investment Board member
TAC	Chisago County	Chisago/Isanti Heartland Express Funding for transit buses
TAC	Chisago County	Chisago-Isanti Heartland Express meetings
TAC	Chisago County	Commuter Study
TAC	Chisago County	CSAH 20 project $750,000
TAC	Taylors Falls	Enhancement project
TAC	Regional	Freight Study
TAC	Regional	Growth and Justice Report participation
TAC	Chisago County	Metro Area Transportation Partnership
TAC	Chisago County	Northern Lights Express Station Development
TAC	Chisago County	Regional Transit Coordination Study
TAC	Chisago County	Transit Study Workgroup
TAC	Chisago County	Transportation Advisory Committee
TAC	Regional	Transportation Forum held in North Branch
EDA	City Administrators	City Administrators/County Clerks/ & Economic Development Professionals meeting held quarterly
ECSRC	Chisago County	Healthy Eating for Successful Living training
ECSRC	Chisago County	Quarterly ECSRC volunteer training
ECSRC	Chisago County	PCs for People
ECSRC	Chisago County	Senior transit mobility management
EDA	Chisago County	Rural Jobs and Innovation Challenge Program
RLF	Chisago County	Microloan Board - Inaugural/Organizational Mtg.
ECSRC	Chisago County	Regional Senior Expos
EDA	Chisago County	Business Export Summit
EDA	Chisago County	Microlending Program
ECSRC	Chisago County	Caregiver Consulting

ISANTI COUNTY

Program	Organization	Notes
ECSRC	Isanti County	Caregiver Consulting
ECSRC	Isanti County	East Central Senior Resource Center
ECSRC	Isanti County	ECSRC Satellite office in Cambridge
ECSRC	Isanti County	ECSRC Volunteer staffing at Braham Elmhurst Commons, Cambridge City Offices and Isanti Senior Dining
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ECSRC	Isanti County	Senior LinkAge Line calls
ECSRC	Cambridge	Senior Network event held at GracePoint Crossing
ECSRC	Isanti County	Senior Surf classes held throughout the Region
ECSRC	Regional	Tools for Powerful Caregiving initiative
ECSRC	Isanti County	Twenty-three volunteer staff work alongside ECRDC staff to provide administrative and outreach duties
EDA	Regional	5-year Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies (CEDS) completed
EDA	University of MN Crookston	Assisted EDA in conducting a survey of businesses in Region 7E on how they use or don't use, internet for their business
EDA	Cambridge Chamber of Commerce	Assisted in application for Pohland Family Foundation grant
EDA	GPS 45/93	Assisting in conducing Business Retention & Expansion visits across the region
EDA	Isanti County	Blandin Foundation Broadband Study
EDA	Regional	Business Resource Directory
EDA	City Administrators	City Administrators/County Clerks/ & Economic Development Professionals meeting held quarterly
EDA	Region 7W	Contracting with 7W to provide technical assistance to re-establish an EDA District in Region 7W
EDA	Isanti County	Economic Development Administration District
EDA	Isanti County	Entrepreneur Fair held at the Armed Forces Reserves Center in Cambridge
EDA	Regional	Farmers Market Symposium
EDA	Regional	Financial Resource Summit
EDA	GPS 45/93	GPS 45/93 Board Member
EDA	Isanti County	Housing/Foreclosure Prevention
EDA	Isanti County	JOBZ Administrator
EDA	Cambridge	Mora/Cambridge EDA Industrial Park Marketing Grant
EDA	Isanti County	Participate in regional foreclosure prevention
EDA	Isanti County	Passenger Rail/Northern Lights Express fiscal agent for grant from Initiative Foundation
EDA	Isanti County Township Association	Presented at the Isanti County Township Association meeting
EDA	Isanti County	Rail Industrial Park advisory role
EDA	Regional	Revolving Loan Fund marketing plan
EDA	Isanti County	Revolving Loan Fund Program

EDA	Isanti County	Small Business Development Center Satellite Office
EDA	Regional	Started the Service Corps of Retired Executives satellite office
EDA	Isanti County	U of M Crookston survey assistance in conducting research businesses in region
EDA	Isanti County	Workforce Investment Board member
RLF	Isanti	Administers Revolving Loan Fund
RLF	Cambridge Heating & Air, LLC	Revolving Loan
RLF	Isanti Retail Meats	Revolving Loan
RLF	Snap Fitness	Revolving Loan
TAC	Isanti County	Chisago/Isanti Heartland Express Funding for transit buses
TAC	Isanti County	Chisago-Isanti Heartland Express meetings
TAC	Isanti County	Commuter Study
TAC	Regional	Freight Study
TAC	Regional	Growth and Justice Report participation
TAC	Isanti County	MnDOT District 3 Area Transportation Partnership
TAC	Isanti County	Northern Lights Express Station Development
TAC	Isanti County	Participate in TH 65 transit corridor meetings
TAC	Isanti County	Regional Transit Coordination Study
TAC	Isanti County	TH 95/47 Intersection Improvement meeting
TAC	Isanti County	TH65 Transit meeting
TAC	Isanti County	TH95/47 intersection special meeting to address concerns due to the number of accidents occurring at the location
TAC	Isanti County	Transit Study Workgroup
TAC	Isanti County	Transportation Advisory Committee
TAC	Regional	Transportation Forum held in North Branch
TZD	Isanti County	Fatality Review Committee
TZD	Isanti County	Safe Cab Program
TZD	Isanti County	Toward Zero Death Safe Roads Grant
EDA	City Administrators	City Administrators/County Clerks/ & Economic Development Professionals meeting held quarterly
ECSRC	Isanti County	Quarterly ECSRC volunteer training
ECSRC	Isanti County	PCs for People
ECSRC	Isanti County	Tools for Powerful Caregiving initiative
EDA	Isanti County	Rural Jobs and Innovation Challenge Program
RLF	Isanti County	Microloan Board - Inaugural/Organizational Mtg.
TZD	Isanti County	MN Alcohol & Traffic Safety Assn. Conference in St. Cloud - MN Dept. of Public Safety
TZD	Isanti County	Safe Community Project - Seatbelt Enforcement
ECSRC	Isanti County	Caregiver Social Groups Formed - 2
ECSRC	Isanti County	Regional Senior Expos
ECSRC	Isanti County	Sr. Linkage Line/Caregiver Cambridge Satellite Office
EDA	Isanti County	Business Export Summit
EDA	Isanti County	Microlending Program
ECSRC	Isanti County	Caregiver Consulting
TAC	Isanti County	Cambridge-Isanti Trail - ribbon cutting

KANABEC COUNTY

Program	Organization	Notes
ECRDC	Kanabec County Township Association	Presented at the Kanabec County Township Association meeting
ECSRC	Kanabec County	Caregiver Consulting
ECSRC	Kanabec County	Community Service/Service Development technical assistance to help provide homemaker, chore and delivery services
ECSRC	Kanabec County	East Central Senior Resource Center
ECSRC	Kanabec County	ECSRC Volunteer staffing at the Mora Senior Dining and ECRDC
ECSRC	Kanabec County	Healthy Eating for Successful Living training
ECSRC	Kanabec County	Living Well at Home (Nursing Home Diversion) Project
ECSRC	Kanabec County	Matter of Balance training
ECSRC	Kanabec County	New to Medicare monthly presentations held throughout the region
ECSRC	Kanabec County	Powerful Tools for Caregiver training
ECSRC	Kanabec County	Quarterly ECSRC volunteer training
ECSRC	Kanabec County	Senior LinkAge Line calls
ECSRC	Kanabec County	Senior Surf classes held throughout the Region
ECSRC	Regional	Tools for Powerful Caregiving initiative
ECSRC	Kanabec County	Twenty-three volunteer staff work alongside ECRDC staff to provide administrative and out-reach duties
EDA	Regional	5-year Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies (CEDS) completed
EDA	University of MN Crooks-ton	Assisted EDA in conducting a survey of businesses in Region 7E on how they use or don't use, internet for their business
EDA	GPS 45/93	Assisting in conducing Business Retention & Expansion visits across the region
EDA	Kanabec County	Blandin Foundation Broadband Study
EDA	Regional	Business Resource Directory
EDA	City Administrators	City Administrators/County Clerks/ & Economic Development Professionals meeting held quar-terly
EDA	Region 7W	Contracting with 7W to provide technical assistance to re-establish an EDA District in Region 7W
EDA	Kanabec County	Economic Development Administration District
EDA	Kanabec County	Entrepreneur Fair held at the Armed Forces Reserves Center in Cambridge
EDA	Regional	Farmers Market Symposium
EDA	Regional	Financial Resource Summit
EDA	GPS 45/93	GPS 45/93 Board Member
EDA	Kanabec County	Housing/Foreclosure Prevention
EDA	Kanabec County	JOBZ Administrator
EDA	Mora	Mora/Cambridge EDA Industrial Park Marketing Grant
EDA	Kanabec County	Participate in regional foreclosure prevention
EDA	Regional	Revolving Loan Fund marketing plan
EDA	Kanabec County	Revolving Loan Fund Program

EDA	Kanabec County	Small Business Development Center Satellite Office
EDA	Regional	Started the Service Corps of Retired Executives satellite office
EDA	Kanabec County	U of M Crookston survey assistance in conducting research businesses in region
EDA	Kanabec County	Workforce Investment Board member
RLF	Kanabec	Administers Revolving Loan Fund
RLF	Scandia Senior Care	Revolving Loan
TAC	Kanabec County	Commuter Study
TAC	Regional	Freight Study
TAC	Regional	Growth and Justice Report participation
TAC	Kanabec County	MnDOT District 3 Area Transportation Partnership
TAC	Kanabec County	Regional Transit Coordination Study
TAC	Kanabec County	Transit Study Workgroup
TAC	Kanabec County	Transportation Advisory Committee
TAC	Regional	Transportation Forum held in North Branch
TZD	Kanabec County	Fatality Review Committee
TZD	Kanabec County	Safe Cab Program
TZD	Kanabec County	Toward Zero Death Safe Roads Grant
ECRDC	Transit Study	RDC Transportation Planners group - Miles Verification Proj. & Commuter Study
ECRDC	Kanabec County	Web Site updated and new look
ECSRC	Region 7E	2011 Human Services Coordinated Transit Plan-MN Dot
ECSRC	Kanabec County	Powerful Tools for Caregiver training
EDA	City Administra-tors	City Administrators/County Clerks/ & Economic Development Professionals meeting held quarterly
ECRDC	Kanabec County	Legislative Forum on Economic Development
ECSRC	Kanabec County	Quarterly ECSRC volunteer training
ECSRC	Kanabec County	PCs for People
EDA	Kanabec County	Rural Jobs and Innovation Challenge Program
RLF	Kanabec County	Microloan Board - Inaugural/Organizational Mtg.
TZD	Kanabec County	MN Alcohol & Traffic Safety Assn. Conference in St. Cloud - MN Dept. of Public Safety
TZD	Kanabec County	Safe Community Project - Seatbelt Enforcement
ECSRC	Kanabec County	Regional Senior Expos
EDA	Kanabec County	Business Export Summit
EDA	Kanabec County	Microlending Program
RLF	Kanabec County	RLF Marketing Tour
ECSRC	Kanabec County	Caregiver Consulting
EDA	RegionW	EDA Short Term Planning Grant - 2 yr work program

MILLE LACS COUNTY

Program	Organization	Notes
ECRDC	Mille Lacs Townships	Presented at the Mille Lacs Township Association meeting
RLF	Mille Lacs County	RLF Marketing Tour
ECSRC	Mille Lacs Co.	Caregiver Consulting
ECSRC	Mille Lacs Co.	East Central Senior Resource Center
ECSRC	Mille Lacs County	ECSRC Volunteer staffing at Princeton Senior Dining, Milaca Senior center, Isle Recreation and Education Center and Wahkon Senior Dining
ECSRC	Mille Lacs County	Healthy Eating for Successful Living training
ECSRC	Mille Lacs County	Livable Communities - Local Farmers Market Development
ECSRC	Mille Lacs Co.	Living Well at Home (Nursing Home Diversion) Project
ECSRC	Mille Lacs County	Matter of Balance training
ECSRC	Isle	Monthly Soup n Pie
ECSRC	Mille Lacs Co.	New to Medicare monthly presentations held throughout the region
ECSRC	Mille Lacs County	Powerful Tools for Caregiver training
ECSRC	Mille Lacs Co.	Quarterly ECSRC volunteer training
ECSRC	Mille Lacs Co.	Senior LinkAge Line calls
ECSRC	Mille Lacs Co.	Senior Surf classes held throughout the Region
ECSRC	Regional	Tools for Powerful Caregiving initiative
ECSRC	Mille Lacs Co.	Twenty-three volunteer staff work alongside ECRDC staff to provide administrative and outreach duties
EDA	Regional	5-year Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies (CEDS) completed
EDA	University of MN Crookston	Assisted EDA in conducting a survey of businesses in Region 7E on how they use or don't use, internet for their business
EDA	Isle	Assisted with EDA application for infrastructure in their industrial park and an incubator building
EDA	GPS 45/93	Assisting in conducing Business Retention & Expansion visits across the region
EDA	Mille Lacs County	Blandin Foundation Broadband Study
EDA	Regional	Business Resource Directory
EDA	City Administrators	City Administrators/County Clerks/ & Economic Development Professionals meeting held quarterly
EDA	Region 7W	Contracting with 7W to provide technical assistance to re-establish an EDA District in Region 7W
EDA	Mille Lacs Co.	Economic Development Administration District
EDA	Mille Lacs County	Entrepreneur Fair held at the Armed Forces Reserves Center in Cambridge
EDA	Regional	Farmers Market Symposium
EDA	Regional	Financial Resource Summit
EDA	GPS 45/93	GPS 45/93 Board Member

EDA	Mille Lacs County	Housing/Foreclosure Prevention
EDA	Mille Lacs Co.	JOBZ Administrator
EDA	Mille Lacs Co.	Participate in regional foreclosure prevention
EDA	Regional	Revolving Loan Fund marketing plan
EDA	Mille Lacs County	Revolving Loan Fund Program
EDA	Mille Lacs County	Small Business Development Center Satellite Office
EDA	Regional	Started the Service Corps of Retired Executives satellite office
EDA	Mille Lacs County	U of M Crookston survey assistance in conducting research businesses in region
EDA	Mille Lacs Co.	Workforce Investment Board member
RLF	Mille Lacs	Administers Revolving Loan Fund
TAC	Mille Lacs County	Commuter Study
TAC	Regional	Freight Study
TAC	Regional	Growth and Justice Report participation
TAC	Mille Lacs County	Mille Lacs Band Transportation Plans
TAC	Mille Lacs Co.	MnDOT District 3 Area Transportation Partnership
TAC	Mille Lacs Co.	Regional Transit Coordination Study
TAC	Mille Lacs County	TH 95/47 Intersection Improvement meeting
TAC	Mille Lacs County	TH95/47 intersection special meeting to address concerns due to the number of accidents occurring at the location
TAC	Mille Lacs County	Transit Study Workgroup
TAC	Mille Lacs Co.	Transportation Advisory Committee
TAC	Regional	Transportation Forum held in North Branch
ECSRC	Mille Lacs County	Farmers Market/Community Kitchen
EDA	City Administrators	City Administrators/County Clerks/ & Economic Development Professionals meeting held quarterly
ECSRC	Mille Lacs Co.	Quarterly ECSRC volunteer training
ECSRC	Mille Lacs County	PCs for People
EDA	Mille Lacs County	Rural Jobs and Innovation Challenge Program
RLF	Mille Lacs County	Microloan Board - Inaugural/Organizational Mtg.
ECSRC	Isle	Monthly Soup n Pie
ECSRC	Mille Lacs County	Regional Senior Expos
EDA	Mille Lacs County	Business Export Summit
EDA	Mille Lacs County	Microlending Program
ECSRC	Mille Lacs Co.	Caregiver Consulting

PINE COUNTY

Prog	Organization	Notes
ECSRC	Pine County	Caregiver Consulting
ECSRC	Sturgeon Lake	Community Service/Service Development technical assistance regarding senior housing project
ECSRC	Pine County	Community Service/Service Development technical assistance to help provide homemaker, chore and delivery services
ECSRC	Pine County	East Central Senior Resource Center
ECSRC	Pine County	ECSRC Volunteer staffing at Pine Medical Center in Sandstone and Hinckley Senior Center
ECSRC	Pine County	Healthy Eating for Successful Living training
ECSRC	Pine County	Living Well at Home (Nursing Home Diversion) Project
ECSRC	Pine County	Matter of Balance training
ECSRC	Pine County	New to Medicare monthly presentations held throughout the region
ECSRC	Pine County	Powerful Tools for Caregiver training
ECSRC	Pine County	Quarterly ECSRC volunteer training
ECSRC	Pine County	Senior LinkAge Line calls
ECSRC	Pine County	Senior Surf classes held throughout the Region
ECSRC	PHASE	Technical Assistance in developing an adult day care program
ECSRC	Regional	Tools for Powerful Caregiving initiative
ECSRC	Pine County	Twenty-three volunteer staff work alongside ECRDC staff to provide administrative and outreach duties
EDA	Regional	5-year Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies (CEDS) completed
EDA	University of MN Crookston	Assisted EDA in conducting a survey of businesses in Region 7E on how they use or don't use, internet for their business
EDA	Pine Technical College	Assisted with EDA application for the remodeling and expansion of an existing building at Pine Technical College for an incubator and entrepreneurship center
EDA	Rock Creek	Assisted with Planned Unit Development (PUD) ordinance
EDA	Royalton Township	Assisted with Zoning Ordinance
EDA	GPS 45/93	Assisting in conducing Business Retention & Expansion visits across the region
EDA	Pine County	Blandin Foundation Broadband Study
EDA	Regional	Business Resource Directory
EDA	City Administrators	City Administrators/County Clerks/ & Economic Development Professionals meeting held quarterly
EDA	Region 7W	Contracting with 7W to provide technical assistance to re-establish an EDA Dist. Region 7W
EDA	Pine County	Economic Development Administration District
EDA	Pine County	Entrepreneur Fair held at the Armed Forces Reserves Center in Cambridge
EDA	Regional	Farmers Market Symposium
EDA	Regional	Financial Resource Summit
EDA	GPS 45/93	GPS 45/93 Board Member
EDA	Pine County	Housing/Foreclosure Prevention
EDA	Pine County	JOBZ Administrator

EDA	Pine County	Participate in regional foreclosure prevention
EDA	Pine County	Passenger Rail/Northern Lights Express fiscal agent for grant from Initiative Foundation
EDA	Regional	Revolving Loan Fund marketing plan
EDA	Pine County	Revolving Loan Fund Program
EDA	Pine County	Small Business Development Center Satellite Office
EDA	Regional	Started the Service Corps of Retired Executives satellite office
EDA	Finlayson Township	Technical assistance with Finlayson Township to do their comprehensive plan
EDA	Pine County	U of M Crookston survey assistance in conducting research businesses in region
EDA	Pine County	Workforce Investment Board member
RLF	Pine	Administers Revolving Loan Fund
RLF	Grantsburg Animal Hospital	Revolving Loan
RLF	Lake Superior Laundry, Inc.	Revolving Loan
TAC	Pine County	Commuter Study
TAC	Regional	Freight Study
TAC	Regional	Growth and Justice Report participation
TAC	Pine County	Northern Lights Express Station Development
TAC	Pine County	Regional Transit Coordination Study
TAC	Pine County	Small Business Development Day held in Pine City
TAC	Pine County	Transit Study Workgroup
TAC	Pine County	Transportation Advisory Committee
TAC	Regional	Transportation Forum held in North Branch
EDA	Pine Technical College	Assisted with EDA application for Pine Technical College for a EDA Infrastructure Grand for their Entrepreneurship Center & Tech. Business Incubator Project. Grant received
EDA	City Administrators	City Administrators/County Clerks/ & Economic Development Professionals meeting held quarterly
ECSRC	Pine County	Quarterly ECSRC volunteer training
ECSRC	Pine County	PCs for People
EDA	Pine County	Rural Jobs and Innovation Challenge Program
RLF	Pine County	Microloan Board - Inaugural/Organizational Mtg.
ECSRC	Pine County	Regional Senior Expos
EDA	Pine County	Business Export Summit
EDA	Pine County	Microlending Program
RLF	Sandstone Golf Course	Sandstone Golf Course - RLF Approved Loan
ECRDC	Pine County	Assisted City of Finlayson in creating a Township Comprehensive Land Use Plan
ECSRC	Pine County	Caregiver Consulting

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