

# PARTICIPATION IN THE LIVABLE COMMUNITIES ACT LOCAL HOUSING INCENTIVES ACCOUNT, 2021

*A Report to the Legislature Fulfilling Minnesota Statute 473.254, subd. 9*

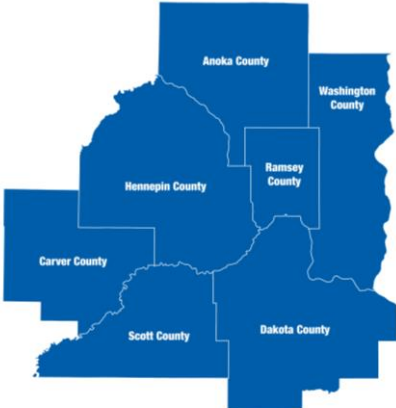


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The Metropolitan Council is the regional planning organization for the seven-county Twin Cities area. The Council operates the regional bus and rail system, collects and treats wastewater, coordinates regional water resources, plans and helps fund regional parks, and administers federal funds that provide housing opportunities for low- and moderate-income individuals and families. The 17-member Council board is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the governor.

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## **Introduction**

The Metropolitan Livable Communities Act (LCA) requires the Metropolitan Council to report to the Minnesota Legislature by February 1 of every year which municipalities elected to participate and which did not elect to participate in the local housing incentives account program (“Program”) for that calendar year (Minn. Stat. § 473.254, subd. 9).

## **Background**

The LCA supports regional policy for the expansion of opportunities for affordable and life-cycle housing throughout the region; creative development and redevelopment that links jobs, transportation and housing; and revitalization of the region’s older cities. Communities within the seven-county area that participate in the Program may receive grants or loans from the three funding accounts of the LCA: the tax base revitalization account, livable communities demonstration account, and the local housing incentives account. Further, only LCA-participating communities may apply for and receive grants from the polluted sites cleanup program administered by the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development. Finally, the law says the Council “shall give consideration to a municipality’s participation” in the Program when making discretionary funding decisions.

## **LCA Participating Communities**

As detailed on the following page, there are 59 communities participating in the LCA Program for 2021. Every 10 years, the Council and participating communities re-negotiate affordable and lifecycle housing goals, following the completion of the decennial updates to local comprehensive plans required under the Metropolitan Land Planning Act. In 2020, the Council and communities negotiated affordable and lifecycle goals for the 2021-2030 decade. Along with that goal negotiation, communities re-enroll in the program for the decade. Due to some communities having not completed their decennial updates to their local comprehensive plans and significant constraints due to the pandemic in 2020, the number of participating communities is low for 2021, but is expected to increase in 2022. The list on page 5 of this report details the list of communities not participating in 2021. Figure 1 illustrates the geographic extent of participation.

*Municipalities Participating in the Livable Communities Act Local Housing Incentives Program in 2021*

**Anoka County**

Blaine  
Centerville  
Columbia Heights  
Coon Rapids  
Fridley  
Ramsey

**Carver County**

Chanhassen  
Chaska  
Victoria  
Waconia  
Watertown

**Dakota County**

Apple Valley  
Burnsville  
Eagan  
Farmington  
Hastings  
Inver Grove Heights  
Rosemount  
South St. Paul  
West St. Paul

**Hennepin County**

Bloomington  
Brooklyn Center  
Brooklyn Park  
Crystal  
Eden Prairie  
Edina  
Hopkins  
Long Lake  
Maple Grove  
Minneapolis  
Minnetonka  
New Hope  
Osseo  
Plymouth  
Richfield  
Rogers  
St. Louis Park  
Wayzata

**Ramsey County**

Arden Hills  
Lauderdale  
Little Canada

Maplewood  
Mounds View  
New Brighton  
North St. Paul  
Roseville  
St. Paul  
Vadnais Heights  
White Bear Lake

**Scott County**

Belle Plaine  
Jordan  
Prior Lake  
Shakopee

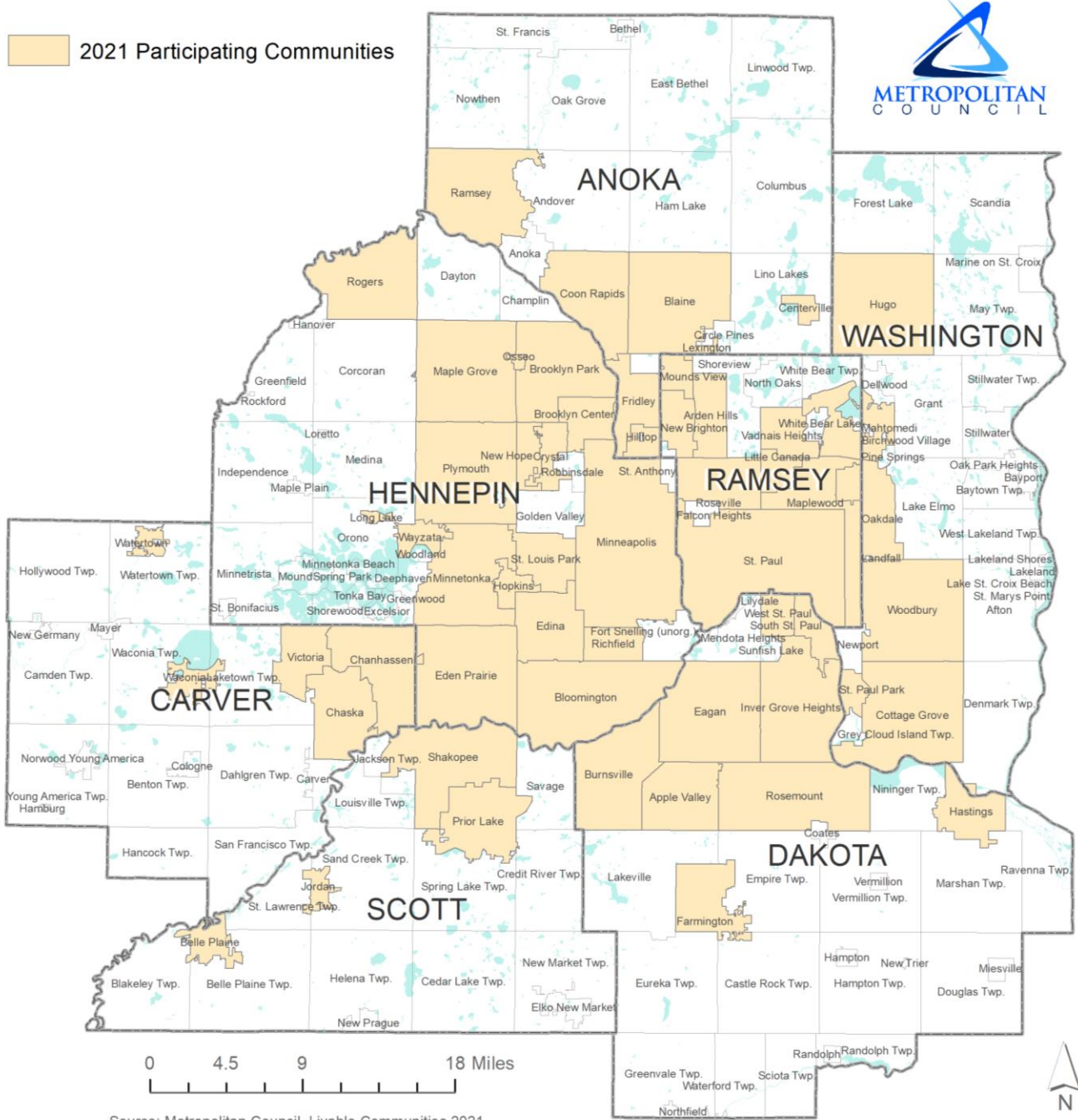
**Washington County**

Cottage Grove  
Hugo  
Mahtomedi  
Oakdale  
St. Paul Park  
Woodbury

## *Municipalities Not Participating in the Livable Communities Act Local Housing Incentives Program in 2021*

Afton	Ham Lake	Nininger Twp.
Andover	Hamburg	North Oaks
Anoka	Hampton	Norwood/Young
Bayport	Hampton Twp.	Nowthen
Baytown Twp.	Hancock Twp.	Oak Grove
Belle Plaine Twp.	Hassan Twp.	Oak Park Heights
Benton Twp.	Helena Twp.	Orono
Bethel	Hilltop	Pine Springs
Birchwood	Hollywood Twp.	Randolph
Blakeley Twp.	Independence	Randolph Twp.
Camden Twp.	Jackson Twp.	Ravena Twp.
Carver	Lake Elmo	Robbinsdale
Castle Rock Twp.	Lake St. Croix Beach	San Francisco Twp.
Cedar Lake Twp.	Lakeland	Sand Creek Twp.
Champlin	Lakeland Shores	Savage
Circle Pines	Laketown Twp.	Scandia
Coates	Lakeville	Sciota Twp.
Cologne	Landfall	Shoreview
Columbus	Lexington	Shorewood
Corcoran	Lilydale	Spring Lake Park
Credit River Twp.	Lino Lakes	Spring Lake Twp.
Dahlgren Twp.	Linwood Twp.	Spring Park
Dayton	Loretto	St. Anthony
Deephaven	Louisville Twp.	St. Bonifacius
Dellwood	Maple Plain	St. Francis
Denmark Twp.	Marine on St. Croix	St. Lawrence Twp.
Douglas Twp.	Marshan Twp.	St. Mary's Point
East Bethel	May Twp.	Stillwater
Elko New Market	Mayer	Stillwater Twp.
Empire Township	Medicine Lake	Sunfish Lake
Eureka Twp.	Medina	Tonka Bay
Excelsior	Mendota	Vermillion
Falcon Heights	Mendota Heights	Vermillion Twp.
Forest Lake	Miesville	Waconia Twp.
Gem Lake	Minnetonka Beach	Waterford Twp.
Golden Valley	Minnetrista	Watertown Twp.
Grant	Mound	West Lakeland Twp.
Greenfield	New Germany	White Bear Twp.
Greenvale Twp.	New Market Twp.	Willernie
Greenwood	New Trier	Woodland
Grey Cloud Twp.	Newport	Young America Twp.

Figure 1. Livable Communities Act Participating Communities, 2021





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