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# **Participation in the Livable Communities Act Local Housing Incentives Account - 1999**

**A Report to the  
Minnesota Statute 473.254  
Section 5, Subsection 9**

**February 1, 1999**

Minn. Stat. 473.254 Subd. 9

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***T***he mission of the Metropolitan Council is to provide leadership in the effective planning of regional growth and redevelopment, and in the delivery of quality regional services.

The Metropolitan Council coordinates regional planning and guides development in the seven-county area through joint action with the public and private sectors. The Council also operates regional services, including wastewater collection and treatment, transit and the Metro HRA - an affordable-housing service that provides assistance to low-income families in the region. Created by the legislature in 1967, the Council establishes policies for airports, regional parks, highways and transit, sewers, air and water quality, land use and affordable housing, and provides planning and technical assistance to communities in the Twin Cities region.

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## Background

The Metropolitan Livable Communities Act (LCA) requires the Metropolitan Council to report by February 1 of each year which municipalities elected to participate and which did not elect to participate in the local housing incentives account program (Minnesota Statutes 473.254, section 5, subsection 9).

### Participation in 1999

The LCA supports *Regional Blueprint* policies which call for expanding the opportunities for affordable and life-cycle housing throughout the region; creative planning that links jobs, transportation and housing; and revitalization of the region's older cities. Communities within the seven-county area that participate in the local housing incentives account program may receive grants or loans from the three funds in the LCA:

- Tax Base Revitalization Account
- Livable Communities Demonstration Account
- Local Housing Incentives Account

Only participants may apply for and receive grants from the polluted sites cleanup program administered by the Minnesota Department of Trade and Economic Development. In addition, the Council "shall give consideration to a municipality's participation" when making discretionary funding decisions such as federal ISTEA funding.

During 1998, 101 communities passed resolutions to participate in the LCA's local housing incentives account program in 1999. Of these 101 communities, three cities elected either to participate in the LCA for the first time or renew participation. These cities are Lake St. Croix Beach, Landfall and Victoria. Also in 1998, however, three communities chose not to renew their participation in the housing incentives account. These communities are Birchwood, Rockford and Shorewood.

MUNICIPALITIES NOT PARTICIPATING IN THE LOCAL HOUSING INCENTIVES  
ACCOUNT PROGRAM IN 1999

Andover	Jackson Twp.	Woodland
Bayport Twp.	Lakeland	Young American Twp.
Belle Plaine Twp	Lakeland Shores	
Benton Twp.	Laketown Twp.	
Bethel	Lilydale	
Birchwood	Linwood Twp.	
Blakeley Twp.	Loretto	
Burns Twp.	Louisville Twp.	
Camden Twp.	Mahtomedi	
Castle Rock Twp.	Maple Plain	
Cedar Lake Twp.	Marine on St.Croix	
Chaska Twp.	Marshan Twp.	
Coates	May Twp.	
Columbus Twp.	Medicine Lake	
Credit River Twp.	Mendota	
Dahlgren Twp.	Miesville	
Dellwood	New Market	
Deephaven	New Market Twp.	
Denmark Twp.	New Trier	
Douglas Twp.	New Scandia Twp.	
Eagan	Nininger Twp.	
East Bethel	Pine Springs	
Elko	Randolph	
Empire Twp.	Randolph Twp.	
Eureka Twp.	Ravenna Twp.	
Forest Lake	Rockford	
Forest Lake Twp.	St. Lawrence Twp	
Gem Lake	St. Mary's Point	
Grant Twp.	Sand Creek Twp.	
Greenfield	San Francisco Twp.	
Greenvale Twp.	Sciota Twp.	
Greenwood	Shorewood	
Grey Cloud Lake Twp.	Spring Lake Twp.	
Ham Lake	Stillwater Twp.	
Hampton	Tonka Bay	
Hampton Twp.	Vermillion	
Hancock Twp.	Vermillion Twp.	
Hassan	Waconia Twp.	
Helena Twp.	Waterford Twp	
Hollywood Twp.	Watertown Twp.	
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