



STATE OF MINNESOTA  
Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State  
Steve Simon

January 15, 2026

The Honorable Senator Jim Carlson  
The Honorable Senator Mark Koran

The Honorable Representative Mike Freiberg  
The Honorable Representative Duane Quam

Dear Senators and Representatives:

In 2024, the legislature established a reimbursement account and procedures for counties and cities that administer in-person absentee voting on postsecondary institution campuses. Minnesota Statutes 203B.0815 outlines that the reimbursement amounts must not exceed:

- (1) \$5,000 for one polling location the first year it applies for a reimbursement under this section;
- (2) \$3,000 for each additional polling location the first year it applies for a reimbursement under this section; and
- (3) \$3,000 for each polling location in subsequent years.

After passage, and again ahead of the 2025 November general election, the Office made counties and cities aware of this reimbursement relating to temporary in-person absentee voting locations on postsecondary institution campuses established in 203B.081, subdivision 4, subpoint (c). In 2025, the Office received one reimbursement request and reimbursed a total of \$3,000.00.

Attached, please find the reimbursement report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nicole Freeman".

NICOLE FREEMAN  
Government Relations Director

cc: Legislative Reference Library

2025 Temporary Campus Absentee Voting Polling Place Reimbursement Report																	
Jurisdiction Temporary Location Information								Costs Associated with Operating a Temporary Location								Reimbursement Amounts	
Jurisdiction	County	Postsecondary institution	Requestee/ (Location of temporary absentee polling place)	Number of temporary locations	First year polling location was open?	Date(s) the temporary polling location was open	Number of voters that cast ballots at location	Voting equipment purchasing and programming	Secure storage for voting equipment and supplies	Staff costs for election administrators, election judges, or other election officials	Ballot and voting materials printing	Set-up costs including transportation, parking, and office supplies	Voting booths	Technology necessary to conduct voting at the polling location	Total costs	Total reimbursement requested	Total to be reimbursed
City of Minneapolis	Hennepin	University of Minnesota, Twin Cities	City of Minneapolis in partnership with University of Minnesota Student Government and Administration/ (Weisman Art Museum, 333 E River Pkwy, Minneapolis, MN 55455)	1	No	10/21/2025	443	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,706.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,206.00	\$4,206.00	\$3,000.00
							All Totals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,706.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,206.00	\$4,206.00	\$3,000.00