

2020 PARTNERSHIPS & COLLABORATIONS



The City of West St. Paul works closely with dozens of organizations through JPA's, MOU's and other agreements. The following is a comprehensive alphabetical list of the organizations the City of West St. Paul collaborated with in 2020.

360 COMMUNITIES

Since 2016: Provides sexual and domestic assault advocacy to residents of our community.

AMERICAN RED CROSS

South Metro Fire has partnered with the Red Cross in their Smoke Detector Installation Program. The Red Cross donates smoke alarms and South Metro installs them in residents' homes.

Partnered on WSP Blood Drive.

AMERICAN PLANNING ASSOCIATION

Provides various learning opportunities in planning and zoning issues.

AREA MARITIME SECURITY COMMITTEE

This is a local sub-committee for the U.S. Coast Guard that focuses on security, equipment, and training needs along Pool 2 of the Mississippi River and Minnesota River up to Savage. This committee conducts yearly training designed to improve response to a variety of security, hazmat, and disasters along the river.

ASLIS

Since 2019: Provides certified sign language interpreting services to our department.

BRAUN INTERTEC

Development Consulting.

CBRE

Development Consulting.

CITY OF APPLE VALLEY

Since 2014: West St. Paul shares a Volunteer Manager with 3 other cities: Inver Grove Heights, Apple Valley & Rosemount

CITY OF BURNSVILLE

Burnsville heads up a joint powers contract for multiple cities and counties to bid crack seal, seal coating and striping through one contractor. The prices we receive through this would not be attainable without the volume behind it.

South Metro Fire Recruit Academy and Training Group: *Since 2018:* These collaborative efforts focus on firefighter skills and training. The academy and group maximize time and minimize cost for each organization by limiting the number

of instructors, props, and training facility time for each organization.

Since 2013: Fire Department Water Rescue: Includes annual initial training for recruits and ongoing training for existing personnel, development, and review of SOG's, and operational support if requested during incidents.

CITY OF EAGAN

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CITY OF INVER GROVE HEIGHTS

Since 2014: West St. Paul shares a Volunteer Manager with 3 other cities: Inver Grove Heights, Apple Valley & Rosemount

Since 2019: Recreation: This is a newer partnership that we are hoping grows in the coming years. Like the other recreation partnerships, this collaboration helps both Cities run more successful programs since we are able to draw participants from both Cities and share in the cost of programs and staffing.

CITY OF LILYDALE

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CITY OF MENDOTA HEIGHTS

All three cities (WSP, MH and SSP) have small public works departments. We share equipment to help each other out as needed. In cases where there are sewer emergencies, we also jump in to help one another to avoid a much larger catastrophe. Currently, we are in discussions with these cities on a plan to cover one another in case an entire Public Works Department is demobilized by COVID during a snow event.

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Since 2019: Mental Health Pilot Program: Explores and implements a coordinated response to address the increase of mental health calls for service law enforcement.

CITY OF ST. PAUL

Annapolis is a border street with St. Paul. We planned a reconstruct of Annapolis that lined up in both our CIP's. The condition of the street though was so poor, especially west of Robert Street that we decided it needed an overlay to get us to reconstruction. We used our equipment and their material to overlay the road. We bought the rest of the mix we needed from them directly. 2023 and 2024 construction years will be on Annapolis.

Since 2015: Mutual Aid Agreement: Implements a Mutual Aid Agreement between St. Paul Police Department and West St. Paul Police Department

CITY OF SUNFISH LAKE

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CIVIC PLUS

Website platform and digital public communication tools.

CJIS

To comply with Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS) policy.

COMMUNITY OF SAINTS

Since Circa 1990: Provides DARE instruction to three schools with an agreement to form a working relationships.

CROWN OF LIFE

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DAKOTA COUNTY

West St. Paul has many JPA's with Dakota County for storm water structures and all combined construction projects. The Transportation and Environmental Departments have the most interaction with us. Their Public Works group has striped for us, fixes and posts signs and performed traffic counts upon request. Public Works shares salt storage facilities and supplies with Dakota County

Government Training Center: A resource for varied skills for working with others, Leadership/Management/Supervisor training and Microsoft courses.

Elections: JPA for purchase of electronic tabulators/ballot boxes and ePollbooks. Partners for election training and Absentee Voting

Since 2003: Special Operations Team: A cooperative effort of all Dakota County municipalities to provide hazardous materials and technical rescue response within Dakota County through a JPA. The team is overseen by the Dakota County Domestic Preparedness Committee.

Fire Training Group: A county-wide training group that shares training resources, props, and ideas.

Fall Prevention Program: South Metro Fire partners with Dakota County Public Health on presenting a fall prevention program to the older adult population in the community. (Currently on hold due to Covid-19).

Community Development Agency (CDA) – CDA staff sponsors the Dakota County Community Developers Round Table discussions and provides Redevelopment Incentive Grants to communities within Dakota County.

Taxation/Assessors Office – Provides information on future tax base for prospective projects and comparison information.

Since 1999: Parks: There is a current JPA that created a great partnership for the Community Building in Thompson Park. Additionally the department has and is working with the County to complete all the trail segments for the River to River

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Regional Trail through West St Paul.

Since 2013: Shared Emergency Manager: Shares an FTE of the Dakota County Sheriff's Office with three other cities in order to ensure our emergency management plans are current. Create training to ensure adequate capabilities.

Since 2016: County Attorney handling narcotic forfeitures: Allows the Dakota County Attorney's Office to handle asset forfeitures for misdemeanor drug offenses.

Since 2019: Mental Health Pilot Program: Explores and implements a coordinated response to address the increase of mental health calls for service law enforcement experiences.

Since 2011: Drug Take Back Program: Allows the installation and accessibility of a locked and secured container for the purpose of disposing of pharmaceutical drugs.

DAKOTA COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

Provides emergency dispatching services to all first responder agencies in Dakota County.

DAKOTA COUNTY REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Help with marketing functions and bringing business leaders together.

DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Assists with business lead generation to various business funding incentives.

DIVERSION SOLUTIONS

Since 2009: Allows drivers with a revoked, suspended, or cancelled drivers license to participate in a diversion program to get reinstated.

DRUG TASK FORCE

Includes all criminal justice agencies in Dakota County along with the City of Savage in Scott County.

Allows for the Task Force to coordinate efforts to investigate illegal drug activity and assist in the prosecution of those offenders.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION OF MN

Helps keep economic development staff knowledgeable in the field and sponsors networking opportunities with developers.

EHLERS INC

Financial Consulting, reviews developer pro-formas, advises staff and drafts TIF Agreements.

ELECTRONIC CRIMES UNIT

Since 2015: Dakota County plus 11 cities- Creates an entity that gathers evidence from electronic devices in a timely manner.

HENRY SIBLEY HIGH SCHOOL

Since 2014: CPR became a graduation requirement. School districts must provide one-time cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and automatic external defibrillator (AED) instruction in a class of their choosing. South Metro provide this training to Henry Sibley twice a year at no cost to the school district.

ICMA

Manages a deferred compensation plan option for employees.

INTEGRITY

Handles the coordination of our ancillary benefits [long-term and short-term disability, life insurance; basic and voluntary, vision, accident, hospitalization, illness insurance coverages, online benefit enrollment services]

INVER HILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

The Fire Chief currently sits on the Colleges EMS advisory committee. In addition, students in the various EMS programs ride with our personnel to accomplish the patient contact requirements in their EMS program (First Responder or EMT).

INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION

Quarterly meetings and training.

ISD 197

Since 2000: The City has had a JPA with ISD 197 to provide Thompson Park as a place to house its Older Adult program. Many recreation programs run using district facilities that the City does not otherwise have (gym space). The maintenance departments work together sharing equipment and also have a maintenance JPA for Harmon Park.

KENNEDY & GRAVEN

Drafts TIF agreements.

LEAGUE OF MINNESOTA CITIES

Provides support for HR policies as well as required legal postings, updates, statute support, training, monthly meetings on current events. Provides legal opinion, policy updates, required postings, forum for the TUG HR group. Also supports the Annual Salary Survey.

We utilize the system for entering Workers' Compensation injuries and tracking. LMCIT manage the cases, process payment for lost time cases, and support the injured

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employee through the process as well as provide information to the City.

Provides information on housing and economic development practices and provides networking opportunities.

Since 2012: Patrol Training: Provides state and federal mandated training to officers.

LEVANDER, GILLEN & MILLER, P.A.

West St. Paul City Attorney and legal counsel.

LEXIPOL

Since 2012: Provides law enforcement policy management and policy training

LEXISNEXIS

Since 2018: Provides investigative search capabilities.

LHB

Development Consulting.

LINX

Since 2018: Information sharing and analytical tools that are used by over 1,900 law enforcement agencies across the US.

LIVING LONGER AND STRONGER IN WEST ST. PAUL / ACT ON ALZHEIMER'S

Since: 2009 LLS / 2017 AoA: Living Longer and Stronger in West St. Paul is a nonprofit coalition that connects residents with resources to help them remain active and engaged in the community.

Living Longer and Stronger has formed an ACT on Alzheimer's group that is working to educate the community and local businesses about dementia.

LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION (LMRWMO)

Since 1985: This seven-city organization works collectively to address storm water issues that eventually affect the Mississippi River. The LMRWMO is credited with recently securing a \$576,000 water quality improvement grant that helped fund the \$2.5M Thompson Lake Restoration Project in West St. Paul.

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

Since 2005: Inflow/Infiltration program helped solve our excessive sewage problem without penalties.

Provide Sewer Access Charge (SAC) estimates and provide funding incentives through the Livable Communities Program.

Assist with preparation and approval of the Comprehensive Plan. They also provide from their Livable Communities program.

MINNESOTA/NATIONAL PUBLIC EMPLOYER LABOR RELATIONS ASSOCIATION

Conferences, training, HR support.

MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT COMMUNICATORS

Member since 2014: The Minnesota Association of Government Communicators is a peer organization of professionals who are dedicated to improving public-sector communications. The City of West St. Paul is an active member and uses the workshops and conferences to share with like-minded cities and organizations, methods for staying on the forefront of public communications in the state.

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

If traffic signals are not functioning properly on Robert Street, they are quick to respond and troubleshoot as needed. We work with MnDOT on storm water issues, especially around TH 52, where private, city and state lands are all involved. Smith/Dodd recent reconstruction project had our input as well. Robert Street preventative maintenance requests (crack sealing, seal coating) and sweeping.

MINNESOTA SERVICES RETIREMENT SERVICES.

Provider for MNDPCP deferred comp plan and HSCP administration.

MINNESOTA TASK FORCE 1

Since 2005: This group serves as the State's Urban Search and Rescue Team, much like the FEMA rescue team that get deployed to hurricanes and earthquakes. The primary function of the task force is to perform rescues in collapsed buildings. South Metro is part of this team through its participation in the Dakota County Special Operations Team. The other primary partners in the task force are the fire departments of Minneapolis, St. Paul, Edina, and Rochester – all being partners in a joint power's agreement.

MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT

Since 2013: During an unusual emergency situation, it allows for the sharing of resources across Dakota County.

NCIC

Allows the DCC to access National Crime Information Center (NCIC) data.

NDC4 / TOWNSQUARE TV

Since: 1982

NDC4 has been integral to our resident's access to public

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meetings for many years. However, with the COVID-19 pandemic preventing the public from attending meetings in-person, this collaboration has become significantly more important. The City has worked hand-in-hand with Townsquare TV to expand the list of meetings offered for broadcast and stream. Also in 2020, City staff have worked with the TV station to highlight major Economic Development and business community accomplishments with headline videos and more in-depth pieces.

NEOGOV

Online system utilized for recruitment and performance review processes. Recruitment tracking for diversity of the applicants.

NFP

Handles the coordination of our medical, dental, HSA/VEBA/FSA and EAP coverages.

NORTHERN DAKOTA COUNTY BEYOND THE YELLOW RIBBON

South Metro sits on the yellow ribbon steering committee. The Northern Dakota County Yellow Ribbon Campaign exists as part of the State-wide Yellow Ribbon Network to provide resources to members of the military and their families. We also provide resources to Veterans who previously served in the Military.

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

Administrator for retirement plan based on employee group. Provides an optional Life Insurance plan. General and Police and Fire Plan

ROMA

Responsible Owner and Managers Association is a partnership with the City of West St. Paul and owners and managers of local rental properties. This group is intended to foster a stronger relationship between City departments and rental owners and managers.

SOUTH METRO FIRE DEPARTMENT

Since 2008: A joint effort between the Cities of South St. Paul and West St. Paul to provide fire protection, fire inspection, fire investigation, fire prevention education, and EMS services to the communities.

ST. JOSEPH'S

Circa 1990: Provides DARE instruction to three schools with an agreement to form a working relationships.

ST. PAUL REGIONAL WATER SERVICES

While they own and operate the water main/hydrants in the city, when it comes to replacement of that infrastructure, we have started using the street contractor to perform the

work versus having SPRWS crews install it. This has led to efficiencies in schedule as the prime can now work the hours they would like to without worrying about coordinating with SPRWS and their union.

STATE OF MN

We participate in the Fixed and Spot Price Fuel Program led by the State. This allows WSP to purchase the majority of our gas and diesel for the following year at fixed (reduced) prices.

Since 2011: DMT-G Breath Test Instrument: Allows for a breath test instrument, owned by the State of Minnesota, be placed at the Police Department.

Since 2016: BCA Master Agreement: Allows the City of West St. Paul Police Department access to numerous data bases and computer networks managed through the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA).

Since 2017: Prosecutor and CJDN Access: Allows the contracted prosecutor access to the Criminal Justice Data Communication Network (CJDN).

Since 2011: Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC): Investigates crimes against children through the Internet.

Since 2016: Access to Minnesota Court Data

SWAT

Creates a multijurisdictional SWAT team from numerous cities within Dakota and Rice Counties along with Dakota and Rice County Sheriff Offices

WSB

Development Consulting.

XCEL ENERGY

Provides incentives for utilities and helps staff market those incentives.

YMCA

Since 2011: The YMCA has been staffing and operating the outdoor pool each summer. This unique partnership allows the City to continue operating an outdoor pool for residents while keeping operational losses at a constant.