Renville County Business Assistance Directory

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The Renville County Housing and Redevelopment Authority and Economic Development Authority (HRA/EDA) work to keep the county strong by fostering business growth and development, promoting tourism and recreation, and providing housing opportunities for county residents.

The HRA/EDA coordinates and administers housing and redevelopment programs that expand and enhance economic development opportunities in Renville County.

105 South 5th Street, Suite 311
Olivia, MN 56277

www.renvillecountymn.gov

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Lenders

Renville County EDA / HRA
105 South 5th Street - Suite 311
Olivia, MN 56277
(320) 523-3656
www.renvillecountymn.gov

Mid Minnesota Development Commission
1700 Technology Drive NE - Suite 300
Willmar, MN 56201-5615
(320) 235-8504
www.mmrdc.org

Nate Reuss – Economic Development Professional

Southwest Initiative Foundation
15 3rd Ave NW
Hutchinson, MN 55350
(320) 587-4848
www.swifoundation.org
Scott Marquardt – President
Brianna Mumme – Economic Development Manager

Minnesota Department of
Employment & Economic Development (DEED)
Great Northern Building – 12th Floor
80 East 5th Street, St. Paul, MN 55101-1678
(507) 344-2601
www.mn.gov/deed/
Lisa Hughes – Business Development Project Manager

Renville-Sibley Co-op Power Assoc.
103 Oak St. / PO Box 68
Danube, MN 56230
(320) 826-2593
www.renville-sibley.coop
DeeAnne Norris – CEO

Rural Electric Economic Development, Inc. (REED)
211 South Harth Avenue
Madison, SD 57042
(605) 256.4536
www.reedfund.coop
Eric Fosheim – Economic Development Manager

Kandiyohi Power Cooperative
8605 47th St. NE
Spicer, MN 56288
(320) 796-1155
www.kpcoop.com

McLeod Cooperative Power
1231 Ford Avenue / PO Box 70
Glencoe, MN 55336
(320) 864-3148
www.mcleodcoop.com
Dan Ehrke – Member Services Manager

Meeker Cooperative Light & Power Association
1725 U.S Hwy 12 E., Suite 100
Litchfield, MN 55355
(320) 693-3231
www.meeker.coop

Great River Energy
12300 Elm Creek Boulevard
Maple Grove, MN 55369
(763) 445-6113
www.econdev.greatriverenergy.com
Erin Sparks - Economic Development Lead
Assisting businesses served by Kandiyohi Power Coop, McLeod Cooperative Power and Meeker Cooperative Power & Light Association.

Amplio
3900 Northwoods Drive
Suite 225
Arden Hills, MN 55112
(320) 290-9096
www.amplioedc.com
Scott Hoeschen – Business Development Officer

Midwest Business Finance Corporation
616 Roosevelt Road, Suite 200
St Cloud, MN 56301
Phone: (320) 258-5000
www.mbfc.org
Nadene Kruize – Senior VP / Loan Officer

First Children's Finance
111 N 3rd Ave #220
Minneapolis, MN 55401
(612) 338-3023
www.firstchildrensfinance.org
Trisha Lien – Business Development Manager

WomenVenture
2021 East Hennepin Avenue, Suite 200, Minneapolis, MN 55413
(612) 224-9540
www.womenventure.org
Elaine Wyatt - Executive Director

U.S. Commercial Service
330 Second Avenue South - Suite 410
Minneapolis, MN 55401
(612) 348-1638
www.export.gov
David Edmiston – Senior International Trade Specialist.

USDA Rural Development
1005 High Avenue, Willmar, MN 56201
(320) 235-3540
Kevin Friesen

US Export Import Bank
330 2nd Ave. South, Suite 410
Minneapolis, MN 55401
(612) 348-1213
www.exim.gov
Denis Griffin - Regional Director

Community Reinvestment Fund, USA
801 Nicollet Mall, Suite 1700W
Minneapolis, MN 55402
Jennifer Ericson - Regional Director of Business Development
(612) 305-2058
www.crfusa.com

Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE)
Rural Minnesota Energy Board
2401 Broadway Avenue
Slayton, MN 56172
(507) 836-8547
www.rmeb.org/pace.htm
Robin Weis – PACE Program Manager
Financing energy efficiency products for business and multi-family housing.

Financial Institutions

Bird Island

Frandsen Bank & Trust
205 Main Street South
Bird Island, MN 55310
(320) 365-4111
www.frandsenbank.com

Buffalo Lake

Grand Marais State Bank
109 West Yellowstone Trail / PO Box 188
Buffalo Lake, MN 55314
(320) 833-5325
www.grandmaraisstatebank.com

Danube

Minnwest Bank
200 Oak Street
Danube, MN 56230
(320) 826-2525
www.minnwestbank.com

Fairfax

First National Bank of Fairfax
16 SE 1st Street
PO Box 200
Fairfax, MN 55332
(507) 426-7242
www.fnbfx.com

Frandsen Bank & Trust
100 Park Street South
Fairfax, MN 55332
(507) 426-7222
www.frandsenbank.com

Franklin

Wanda State Bank
278 E 2nd Avenue
Franklin, MN 55333
(507) 557-2233
www.wandastatebank.com

Hector

Frandsen Bank & Trust
206 Main Street South
Hector, MN 55342
(320) 848-2222
www.frandsenbank.com

Morton

Minnwest Bank
224 West 2nd Street
Morton, MN 56270
(507) 697-6116
www.minnwestbank.com

Olivia

FM Bank
815 East DePue Avenue
Olivia, MN 56277
(320) 523-1111
www.mybankfm.com

HomeTown Bank
1115 West Lincoln Avenue
Olivia, MN 56277
(320) 523-2040
www.htbmn.com

Renville

Greater Community Credit Union
208 North Main Street
Renville, MN 56284
(320) 329-3152
www.greaterccu.com.com

First Security Bank
106 5th Street SE / PO Box 429
Renville, MN 56284
(320) 329-8373
www.firstsecuritybanks.com

Sacred Heart

Citizens Alliance Bank
200 W. Maple / PO Box 397
Sacred Heart, MN 56285
(320) 765-2261
www.citizensalliancebank.com

Opportunity Zones

Renville County EDA/HRA
105 South 5th Street - Suite 311, Olivia, MN 56277
(320) 523-3656
www.renville.com

Opportunity Zones are specific geographic areas designated by the US Treasury. Investment of capital gains in an approved Opportunity Fund that is invested in a designated Opportunity Zone allows for the deferment of capital gains taxes for a period of years. Also, new investment in an approved Opportunity Fund that is invested in a designated Opportunity Zone may allow for forgiveness of some or all capital gains taxes if held for a period of years.

There is an Opportunity Zone covering the Cities of Danube and Olivia and surrounding township.

Foreign Trade Zones

Greater Metropolitan Area Foreign Trade Zone
P.O. Box 4933 - St. Paul, MN 55101
651-259-7445
Catalina Valencia, Administrator
catalina.valencia@state.mn.us

Minnesota Department of
Employment and Economic Development
Specific land parcels can be designated as Foreign Trade Zones. Benefits can include forgiveness of duties for businesses that import and export.

Equity Investors

Renville County HRA/EDA maintains a database of equity investors and organizations that invest in businesses in our area. For more information please contact us:
105 South 5th Street - Suite 311
Olivia, MN 56277
(320) 523-3656
www.renville.com

Railroads

Twin Cities & Western (TC&W) RR serves the Cities of Sacred Heart, Renville, Danube, Olivia, Bird Island, Hector and Buffalo Lake. The Minnesota Prairie Line is a subsidiary of the TC&W and serves the Cities of Morton, Franklin and Fairfax.
Dave Long
2925 12th Street East
Glencoe, MN 55336
320-864-7211
www.tcwr.net

Technical Assistance

Minnesota Small Business Development Center (SBDC)
www.sbdcassistance.com
(507) 537-7386

Free assistance with business plans, securing financing, financial statements, marketing and more.

Legal Corps
1000 LaSalle Ave. SCH 317
Minneapolis, MN 55403
612-206-0780
www.legalcorps.org

Nicole Deters – Executive Director
Free or reduced cost one-on-one transactional business legal services for entrepreneurs, inventors, small business and nonprofit organizations.

Agriculture Utilization Research Institute (AURI)
1501 State Street
Marshall, MN 56258
(218) 770-0448
www.auri.org

Harold Stanislawshi – Project Development Director
Helping develop new uses for agricultural and food products through science and technology.

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Ridgewater College
2101 15th Ave NW, Willmar, MN 56201
2 Century Ave SE, Hutchinson, MN 55350
(320) 222-5200
www.ridgewater.edu

Sam Bowen – Dean of Customized Training and Continuing Education
Offers customized training and continuing education.

Minnesota West Community & Technical College Granite Falls Campus
1593 11th Ave
Granite Falls, MN 56241
320-564-5000
www.mnwest.edu

Dawn Regnier, Director of Customized Training
Customized training & continuing education.

Mid Minnesota Development Commission
1700 Technology Drive NE - Suite 300
Willmar, MN 56201-5615
(320) 235-8504
www.mmrdc.org

Nate Reuss – Economic Development Professional
Provides technical and resource assistance to businesses, organizations, and communities to help them improve resilience and achieve success.

Explore MN Tourism
121 7th Place E, Suite 100
St. Paul, MN 55101
(507) 389-2683
www.exploreminnesota.com
Lisa Havelka – Regional Manager
Marketing and advertising assistance to businesses.

WomenVenture
2021 East Hennepin Avenue, Suite 200, Minneapolis, MN 55413
(612) 224-9540
www.womenventure.org
Elaine Wyatt - Executive Director
Training, classes and loans for female entrepreneurs.

Minnesota Trade Office
Great Northern Building – 12th Floor
80 East Fifth Street, Saint Paul, MN 55101-1678
(651) 259-7498
https://mn.gov/deed/business/exporting/
Gabrielle Gerbaud – Executive Director
Assistance for businesses looking to export or do business in other countries.

Central Minnesota Jobs and Training Services, Inc. (CMJTS)
105 South 5th Street, Suite 203H, Olivia, MN 56277
(800) 284-7425
www.cmjts.org
Bridget Paulson – Business Service Coordinator
Connect with qualified workers, employee training and business resources. Partners in the Minnesota CareerForce System.

Minnesota Department of Employment & Economic Development (DEED)
Great Northern Building, 12th Floor
80 East 5th Street, Saint Paul, MN 55101-1678
(507) 344-2601
www.mn.gov/deed/
Lisa Hughes – Business Development Project Manager
Assistance with finance, exporting and other topics.

Renville County Veterans Services
105 South 5th Street - Suite 247, Olivia, MN 5627
www.renvillecountymn.com
Mike Harmon – Veterans Services Officer
Services and resources for Veterans

Bunker Labs
400 S. 4th Street #401, Minneapolis, MN 55415
(612) 836-3710
https://www.bunkerlabsmpls.org
Bunker Labs, a 501(c)(3) non-profit, is a network of veteran entrepreneurs dedicated to helping veterans start their own businesses.

U.S. Commercial Service
330 Second Avenue South - Suite 410
Minneapolis, MN 55401
(612) 348-1638
www.export.gov
David Edmiston – Senior International Trade Specialist.
Assistance for businesses looking to export or do business in other countries.

MN Department of Labor & Industry
443 Lafayette Road N., St. Paul, MN 55155
(651) 284-5355
www.doli.state.mn.us
Dan Solomon - Program Consultant
Assistance for employee training for businesses.

SCORE
2021 E Hennepin Ave Ste 220
Minneapolis, MN 55413
(952) 938-4570
www.twincities.score.org
Classes and one-on-one mentorship counseling to businesses and entrepreneurs.

1 Million Cups - Eden Prairie
A nonprofit mentorship and networking group for entrepreneurs that meets on Wednesday mornings at 9:00 AM
https://www.1millioncups.com/edenprairie

Local Units of Government

Renville County

105 South 5th Street - Suite 247, Olivia, MN 5627
(320) 523-3710
www.renvillecountymn.gov
Lisa Herges – County Administrator

Cities

City of Bird Island
660 Birch Avenue
Bird Island, MN 55310
(320) 365-3371
birdislandcity@mchsi.com
www.birdislandcity.com

City of Buffalo Lake
203 Main Street North / PO Box 396
Buffalo Lake, Minnesota 55314
Phone: 320-833-2272
cityofbuffalolake@gmail.com
www.buffalolake.org

City of Danube
400 Main Street / PO Box 397
Danube, MN 56230
(320) 826-2563
cityclerk@cityofdanube.com
www.cityofdanube.com

City of Fairfax
18 1st Street SE / PO Box K
Fairfax, MN 55332
(507) 426-7255
admin@fairfax-mn.gov
www.fairfax-mn.gov

City of Franklin
320 2nd Ave East / PO Box 326
Franklin, MN 55333
(507) 557-2259
franklin@mchsi.com
www.franklinmn.us

City of Hector
301 Main Street South
Hector, MN 55342
(320) 848-6582
administrator@hectormn.us
www.hector.govoffice.com

City of Morton
220 West 2nd Street
Morton, MN 56270
(507) 697-6912
clerk@mortonmn.gov
www.cityofmorton.gov

City of Olivia
1009 West Lincoln Avenue
Olivia, MN 56277
Phone: (320) 523-2361
etorkelson@olivia.mn.us
www.olivia.mn.us

City of Renville
221 North Main Street / PO Box 371
Renville, MN 56284
(320) 329-8366
shane.wohlman@renvillemn.gov
www.renvillemn.gov

City of Sacred Heart
309 1st Avenue
Sacred Heart, MN 56285
(320) 765-2559
office@cityofsacredheart.com
www.sacredheartmn.org

Elected Officials

County Commissioners

Craig Carlson – District 1
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Hector, MN 55342
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Franklin, MN 55333
Phone: (320) 522-6622
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Greg Mertens – District 3
34522 830th Street
Olivia, MN 56277
Phone: (320) 522-4254
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Greg Snow – District 4
412 South 11th Street
Olivia, MN 56277
Phone: (218) 251-1640
greg.snow@renvillecountymn.gov

David Hamre – District 5
87709 150th Street
Sacred Heart, MN 56285
Phone: (320) 522-6493
david.hamre@renvillecountymn.gov

MN State Legislators

Andrew Lang
Senator District 16
2205 Minnesota Senate Bldg,
St. Paul, MN 55155
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sen.andrew.lang@senate.mn

Scott Van Binsbergen
Representative District 16A
2nd Floor, Centennial Office Building
St. Paul, MN 55155
320-226-0830
rep.Scott.VanBinsbergen@house.mn

Congressional Delegation

Michelle Fishbach
U.S. Representative
1237 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515
(202) 225-2165
https://fishbach.house.gov

Michelle Fishbach
U.S. Representative
2211 1st Street
Suite 190
Willmar, MN 56201
(320) 403-6100

Amy Klobuchar
U.S. Senator
302 Hart Senate Office Bulding
Washington, DC 20510
(202) 224-3244
www.klobuchar.senate.gov

Amy Klobuchar
U.S. Senator
1200 Washington Ave S., Rm 250
Minneapolis, MN 55415
(612) 727-5220

Tina Smith
U.S. Senator
309 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510
(202) 224-5641
https://www.smith.senate.gov

Tina Smith
U.S. Senator
60 Plato Blvd East - Suite 220
St. Paul, MN 55107
(651) 221-1016