

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.

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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
 Jordan Zeller – Economic Developer

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

**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

Minnesota 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

Twin Cities – Metro CDC

3495 Vadnais Center Drive
 Vadnais Heights, MN 55110
 (651) 481-8180

www.tcmcdc.com

Michael Kinninger – Loan Officer

CMDC

1885 Station Parkway NW
 Andover, MN 5534
 (763) 784-3337

www.cmdcbusinessloans.com

First Children's Finance

111 N 3rd Ave #220
 Minneapolis, MN 55401
 (612) 338-3023

www.firstchildrensfinance.org

Jessica Beyer – 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

CenBank
109 West Yellowstone Trail / PO Box 188
Buffalo Lake, MN 55314
(320) 833-5325
www.cenbank.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

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

Renville

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

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.

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.renvillecountymn.gov

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.

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.
Mitch Clementson
2925 12th Street East
Glencoe, MN 55336
320-864-7211
www.tcwr.net

Technical Assistance

Minnesota Small Business Development Center (SBDC)

www.sbdccassistance.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.

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

Michelle Marotzke – Economic Development Professional

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 OfficeGreat 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.

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Employment & Economic Development (DEED)**Great Northern Building, 12th Floor80 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

Lee Stock – 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.org

Lisa Herges – County Administrator

Cities

City of Bird Island

660 Birch Avenue
Bird Island, MN 55310
(320) 365-3371

birdislandcity@icloud.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

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City of Olivia

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

221 North Main Street / PO Box 371
 Renville, MN 56284
 (320) 329-8366
shanewohlman@ci.renville.mn.us
www.ci.renville.mn.us

City of Sacred Heart

309 1st Avenue
 Sacred Heart, MN 56285
 (320) 765-2559
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www.sacredheartmn.org

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 Bird Island, MN 55310
 Home: (320) 365-3094
 Cell: (320) 979-4208

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70686 370th Street
 Franklin, MN 55333
 Phone: (507) 430-1116

John.Robinson@renvillecountymn.gov

Doug Erickson – District 3

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 Bird Island, MN 55310
 Phone: (320) 365-4836

Doug.Erickson@renvillecountymn.gov

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412 South 11th Street
 Olivia, MN 56277
 Phone: (218) 251-1640

Greg.Snow@renvillecountymn.gov

David Hamre – District 5

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 Sacred Heart, MN 56285
 Phone: (320) 979-0424

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MN State Legislators

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 2205 Minnesota Senate Bldg,
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 651-296-4918
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Dean Urdahl
 Representative District 16A
 279 State Office Building
 St. Paul, MN 55155
 651-296-4344
rep.dean.urdahl@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 Building
 Washington, DC 20510
 (202) 224-3244
www.klobuchar.senate.gov

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

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 309 Hart Senate Office Building
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 60 Plato Blvd East - Suite 220
 St. Paul, MN 55107
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