



MINNESOTA SPORTS ECONOMIC IMPACT ENGINE





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OVERVIEW AND MISSION

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The Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission (MASC) was created in 1987 by the Minnesota Legislature to promote the economic and social benefits of amateur sports. In the 27 years since, the MASC has become a role model for creating innovative and stable programs and events that have benefitted Minnesota residents financially and socially.

The MASC is well known for three major accomplishments:

1. Creating annual amateur sports events which attract thousands of out-of-state visitors annually to spend millions of dollars while visiting the state.
2. Servicing the sports needs of Minnesota residents by building sports facilities and creating events, leagues and instructional programs that improve the health and wellness of Minnesota families.
3. Fostering public/private and state/non-state partnerships that have delivered solid value to Minnesota taxpayers, and also enhanced the operational stability of the Minnesota amateur sports infrastructure.

The Long-Range Vision: Statewide Regional Sports Centers

The MASC has made great progress in the creation of a network of amateur sports facilities strategically placed around the state. These centers will offer different kinds of facilities that will offer sports tailored to the strengths of the host communities.



Flagship: Blaine

The National Sports Center (NSC) has always been envisioned as Minnesota's premier amateur sports facility, and in the 24 years since the facility opened the MASC has appropriately devoted significant resources into ensuring the growth, financial self-sufficiency and relevancy of the campus. Now the largest amateur sports campus in the world, the NSC offers soccer, hockey, figure skating, golf, cycling, lacrosse, rugby, ultimate, football and baseball programs and events.



Southeast: Rochester

Anchored by the National Volleyball Center, Rochester offers volleyball, basketball and other court sports. In addition to events at the NVC, the Rochester Amateur Sports Commission is a leader in pushing southeast Minnesota communities to keep their local sports programs healthy and growing.

Central: St. Cloud

The Herb Brooks National Hockey Center is the most well-known sports venue in the St. Cloud area. The St. Cloud Area Sports Commission also hosts events in their community like the Star of the North Games and the Can-Am Police and Fire Games.

Northeast: Duluth and the Iron Range

The Giants Ridge Golf & Ski Resort in Biwabik is among the most-visited recreational sports facilities in Northeast Minnesota, catering to downhill skiers, nordic skiers and golfers from the Dakotas, Wisconsin, Manitoba and Ontario. Other MASC facilities in the area include the Whitewater Center on the St. Louis River within Jay Cooke State Park, which is operated by the University of Minnesota-Duluth, and Ole Mangseth Memorial Ski Jump, the centerpiece of the Mt. Itasca Ski Area in Coleraine, a facility that includes cross-country skiing trails, a biathlon range and a downhill ski hill. The ski jump and biathlon range in particular attract out-of-state athletes to major competitions.

Southwest: Marshall

The Southwest Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission has gathered impressive community support to build a multi-sport complex of indoor courts and outdoor fields that will attract out-of-state teams from the Dakotas, Iowa and Nebraska. In the fall of 2012, voters passed a local-option sales tax to pay for the local component of facility construction, and the community is seeking capital bonding money from the State of Minnesota in the 2014 Legislative session. Obtaining funding for the Southwest Minnesota Sports Center is the number-one legislative priority of the MASC in 2014.

Twin Cities: Saint Paul

The MASC is working with the City of Saint Paul and the Saint Paul Convention and Visitors' Bureau to determine what type of facility and the location that will best meet the mission of the MASC and the goals of Saint Paul.

Northwest: Moorhead

The City of Moorhead is developing plans for an expansion of their soccer complex that would allow it to host large soccer tournaments drawing out-of-state teams.

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STATEWIDE ECONOMIC IMPACT

STATEWIDE ECONOMIC IMPACT-MASC FACILITIES

MASC Economic Impact 1990-2012



MASC Facilities Attendance 1990-2012

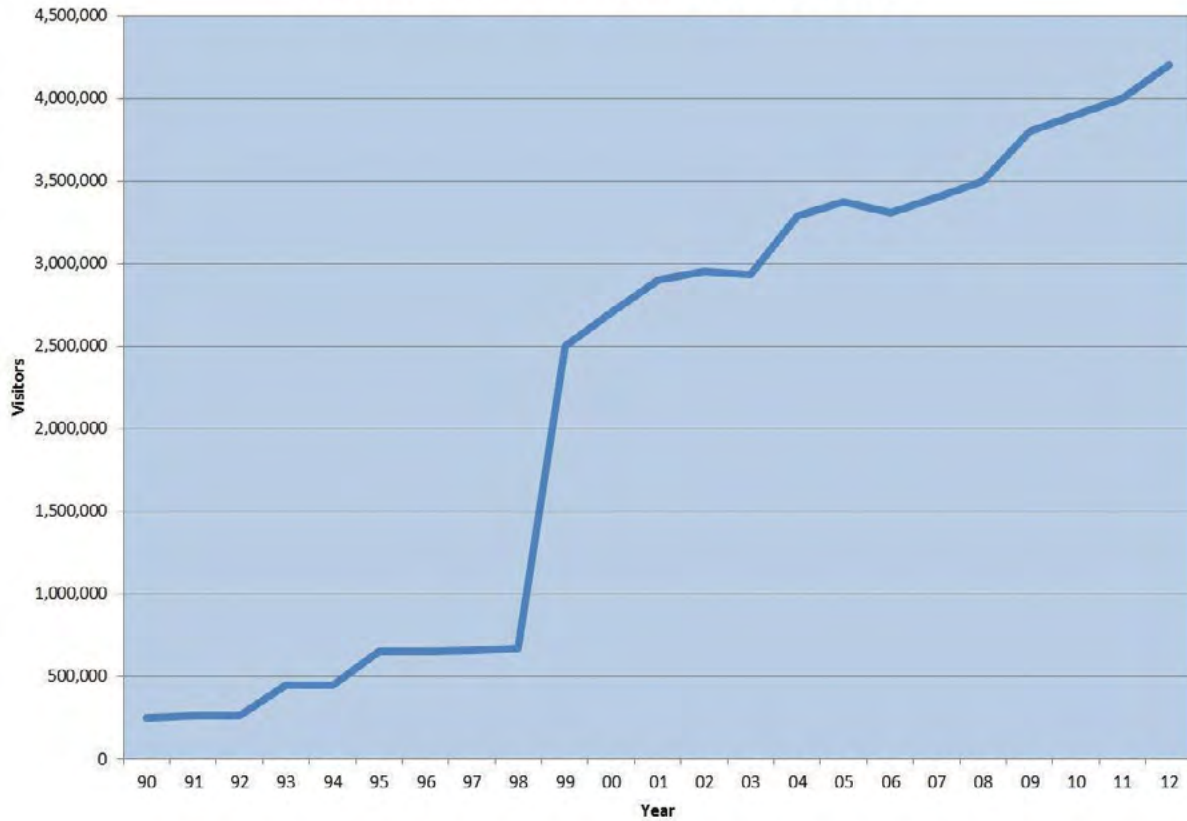


NATIONAL SPORTS CENTER ECONOMIC IMPACT

National Sports Center Economic Impact 1990-2012



National Sports Center Attendance 1990-2012





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***THE FLAGSHIP
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THE NATIONAL SPORTS CENTER***

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A Unique Asset

The National Sports Center (NSC) is the flagship facility and the crown jewel of all MASC facilities statewide.

The NSC is the world's largest amateur sports and meeting facility. The NSC campus operates over 100 unique programs and events in a variety of sports as well as hosting numerous national and international competitions annually that draw over 4 million visitors a year. The NSC is a priceless, innovative and unique state asset.

The NSC has a dual mission:

- To generate out-of-state economic impact through amateur sports events and programs. In an independent study of the NSC by the State of Minnesota Office of Analysis and Evaluation, the NSC produces over \$44 million of out-of-state economic impact annually. Out-of-state visitors generate \$2.3 million of taxes to the state each year, and \$800,000 in annual local taxes.
- To provide amateur sports opportunities to Minnesota residents. Even though the NSC has produced impressive out-of-state economic impact, the fact remains that the bulk of visitors are Minnesota residents – 92 percent, in fact. These are families and athletes who play in leagues and tournaments, attend events as spectators, buy tickets to non-sport events and play on the golf course. On an average day there are 12 different programs and events taking place each day at the NSC, and most service the local community.

The complex opened in 1990 and was built by the State of Minnesota as part of a statewide building program to improve Minnesota's amateur sports facilities.

The complex is a 600-acre multi-sport facility located in Blaine, Minnesota. The campus includes the Schwan Super Rink, an eight-sheet ice arena; a 8,500-seat stadium; the Schwan Center meeting and events building; a 21,000 square-foot exhibition facility; a multi-faceted family golf center, the National Youth Golf Center, which features the 18-hole Victory Links course; an indoor Sports Hall with a FieldTurf field; 250-meter all-wood cycling velodrome; a 150-bed residence hall and 52 athletic fields. The facility has welcomed over 50 million visitors since its opening in 1990. The NSC generates over \$44 million in annual out-of-state economic impact.

Financing

Even though most of the facility development and land purchases were made with State of Minnesota funding, the facility is operated by a non-profit corporation, the National Sports Center Foundation (NSCF). The NSCF operates the facility on a self-supporting basis. State funds were used to build a portion of the facility, but no operating subsidy is provided. The original state investment was \$14.7 million, and to date the State has invested just over \$20 million in the NSC campus. Since 2000 however, the NSC Foundation has financed the majority of an ambitious construction phase through private investment. About 2/3 of the new National Youth Golf Center was financed privately, as was 100 percent of the construction of four new sheets of ice at the Schwan Super Rink, 100 percent of the new Sport Expo Center, and a portion of the development of the Schwan Center meeting and events facility.

The Schwan Super Rink was funded by a cooperative of eleven local governmental partners along with the MASC. The partners include the cities of Arden Hills, Blaine, Centerville, Circle Pines, Coon Rapids, Lino Lakes, Mounds View, New Brighton, Shoreview, as well as Ramsey and Anoka Counties. Total construction cost was \$11 million. The \$10 million expansion was also built with non-state money. Partners include the Centennial, Blaine and Tri-City Youth Hockey Associations, the Herb Brooks Foundation and Bethel University, all of which made an initial investment and then pay off the construction bonds through the purchase of ice time.



Victory Links Golf Course

Athletic Facilities

Victory Links Golf Course

Victory Links is the only PGA Tour-designed public golf course in the state of Minnesota. The links-style course also features the Tournament Green Putting Course, a full-service clubhouse and driving range. Victory Links conducts numerous clinics, programs and leagues for all ages. It also is proud to boast the largest junior golf program in the state, utilizing The First Tee instructional model.

Schwan Super Rink

Eight sheets of ice under one roof. The Schwan Super Rink is the largest ice arena in the world. It is home to the U.S. Women's Olympic Hockey Team, four high school hockey teams (Irondale boys and girls, Mounds View girls and Legacy Christian Academy boys) and two college teams (Bethel University men and women). The Schwan Super Rink hosts tournaments, leagues and development programs year-round.

The \$21 million project totals over 300,000 square feet. Included in the arena is the warm Hat Trick Café that overlooks four of the sheets, 32 oversized locker rooms that provide comfortable quarters for all user groups, a pro shop, and extensive dryland training facilities for hockey and figure skating. Hockey players use the 12,500 square foot Herb Brooks Training Center which offers state-of-the-art weight training and speed and fitness machines. Figure skaters have a 6,200 square foot training center that provides a dance studio, changing area, parents' viewing area and offices for coaches.



Sports Hall

This versatile 58,000 square foot indoor facility is used for soccer, baseball, lacrosse, flag football and other field sports, as well as non-sport events.

Athletic Fields

One of the most striking things about the NSC when arriving on campus is the number of fields. The facility currently boasts 52 fields that can be used for soccer, rugby, lacrosse, ultimate disc and other outdoor field sports.



NSC Stadium

The 8,500 seat NSC Stadium is the home field of Minnesota United FC, a professional soccer club. It has also hosted numerous events, from U.S. National Team soccer games to the Opening Ceremony of Schwan's USA CUP, to outdoor music events. Many famous soccer stars have played or appeared in the stadium, including Pele, Landon Donovan, Mia Hamm, Brandy Chastain, Freddy Adu, and Abby Wambach.



Velodrome

The NSC Velodrome is 250-meters of pure adrenaline. Pitched 42-degrees in the corners, the all-wood cycling velodrome features some of the most exciting action on campus. The NSC Velodrome has hosted numerous high-level cycling events including the Olympic Cycling Trials, World Championship Trials, National Championship and annual grand prix events.

THE FLAGSHIP FACILITY: THE NATIONAL SPORTS CENTER

Other Facilities



The Schwan Center

Schwan Center

The original Schwan Center facility opened in 2005; the new Sport Expo Center addition opened in 2012. The entire Schwan Center now totals 36,000 square feet. The flexible meeting space of the original Schwan Center building totals 15,200 sq. ft., and can accommodate a wide range of group sizes, from small groups up to large gatherings of 500 people. The new Sport Expo Center adds 21,000 square feet to Schwan Center. The Expo Center features an 18,000 square foot clear-span exhibition space. Schwan Center now offers the best of both worlds - meeting space in the original Schwan Center and exhibition space in the new Sport Expo Center.



NSC Residence Hall

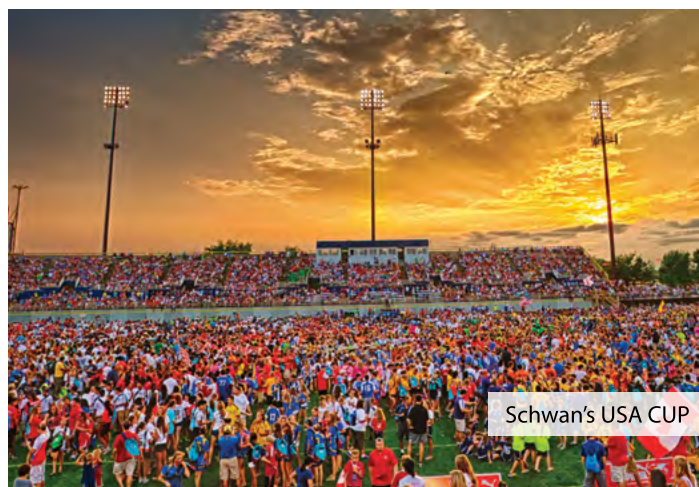
Residence Hall

The NSC Residence Hall, a 180-bed dormitory with an adjoining cafeteria, is used for residence camps and tournaments that require on-site housing. The U.S. Women's National Hockey Team uses the NSC Residence Hall when players are in residence for training camps.

Parking

The NSC has various parking facilities across the campus that also host ride-and-drive events and other community functions like recycling drop-off stations.

Major NSC Events



Schwan's USA CUP

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The NSC's largest event, Schwan's USA CUP attracts nearly 1,000 youth soccer teams (962 in 2012) to the NSC campus each July. In 2012, teams came from 21 different states and 16 countries, totaling 14,000 players. Stretching over 10 days, the tournament produces over \$21 million in out-of-state economic impact.

Other Soccer Tournaments

The NSC produces six other soccer tournaments that draw a significant number of teams: Spring Cup in early May (165 teams in 2012), NSC Cup on Memorial Day Weekend (179), Walmart All-American in June (180), Fall Cup in early October (282), Kick-or-Treat in late October (70) and the Holiday Classic during the week between Christmas and New Year's Day (132).

Schwan Cup

The NSC's holiday hockey tournament has three major components: 1) Minnesota's top boys' high school holiday tournament in which the top-ranked teams in the state play at the Xcel Energy Center or Ridder Arena, often playing some games on live television. Other boys' teams play at the Schwan Super Rink. 2) A girls high school tournament that also draws top teams to play their championship games at Ridder Arena. And 3) a youth tournament held at the Schwan Super Rink. A total of 156 teams played in the 2012 edition of Schwan Cup.



USA International Hockey Cup

USA International Hockey Cup

This unique summer tournament covers five different weekends in the summer and often features international teams and AAA teams that travel from all around the U.S and Canada. Both boys’ and girls’ divisions are offered in many age groups. In 2012 a total of 220 teams participated in the USA International Tournament.

Other Hockey Tournaments

The NSC produces seven other significant hockey tournaments each year: The Rush 3v3 Festival; held on the President’s Day holiday (40 teams in 2012); Ironman Adult Tournament in March (30); Stick-it to Cancer, a women’s fund-raising tournament in April (120); Walleye Chop, an adult tournament in May (118); Walmart Cup High School Festival in late July (26); Walmart 3v3 Festival in July (74); The Cup in September (11); The Show in late September (18); and finally, All-American Girls and Women’s Tournament, one of the oldest female-only tournaments in the U.S., held in November (52).

Cycling

The Fixed Gear Classic is the NSC Velodrome’s annual race that attracts top national and international talent. Held over three days in early June, in 2012 the race attracted four-time World Champion and Olympic silver medalist Franco Marvulli of Switzerland and two-time Tour de France stage winner Leon Van Bon of the Netherlands.

Golf

The Victory Links Golf Course regularly hosts USGA qualifiers, including U.S. Amateur and U.S. Public Links Championship qualifiers. Its highest profile annual event is the 3M Championship Qualifying Tournament that is held on the Monday prior to the start of the Champions Tour event at the TPC Twin Cities.

Figure Skating

The NSC Skating School is Minnesota’s largest, and the Frosty Blades Figure Skating Competition is the NSC’s annual figure skating competition. Held in February, it attracts nearly 400 skaters for the three-day competition.



Figure Skating

Ultimate

For ten years, the NSC has hosted the USA Ultimate U.S. Youth Club Championships, a weekend tournament in August that attracts the best male and female youth-age teams in the U.S.

Rugby

The NSC has hosted numerous high-profile rugby events including the 2010 Bingham Cup, the World Championship of gay men’s rugby that attracted teams from 15 different countries, NCAA Regionals, the U.S. Women’s Club Championships and the Minnesota State HS Championships.

The Future

Beginning in 2014, the National Sports Center will add new playing fields on 80 acres of property it currently owns. This will allow the NSC to expand the capacity of its largest soccer tournaments, including Schwan’s USA CUP. It will also allow more use by growing team sports such as lacrosse, rugby, and ultimate. Increasing the number of fields will also allow the NSC’s operations staff to better manage field usage, rotating fields to minimize wear and damage that comes from overuse of the existing fields.

Attendance

4.1 Million

Economic Impact Produced

\$47,508,000





STATEWIDE FACILITIES

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Bush Lake Ski Jump

Bloomington, Minnesota



8401 East Bush Lake Road
Bloomington, MN 55438
952.484.8956
jumping@minneapolisclub.com
www.minneapolisclub.com/jumping

Hyland Lake Park Reserve in Bloomington has long been the site of an active ski jumping community. The Bush Lake Ski Jump, which opened in January of 2000, added a 70-meter jump to the selection of smaller jumps already in use. The 70-meter jump replaced a 40-meter jump, and joins 10- and 25-meter jumps. The complex of jumps provides a first-class training and event-hosting site for jumpers of all ages and development. The state investment funded the construction of the foundation, steel scaffolding, and timber decking for the jump. The Minneapolis Ski Club contributed cash and in-kind services totaling more than \$250,000 to complete the jump.

State Investment

\$500,000 (1996)

Operator

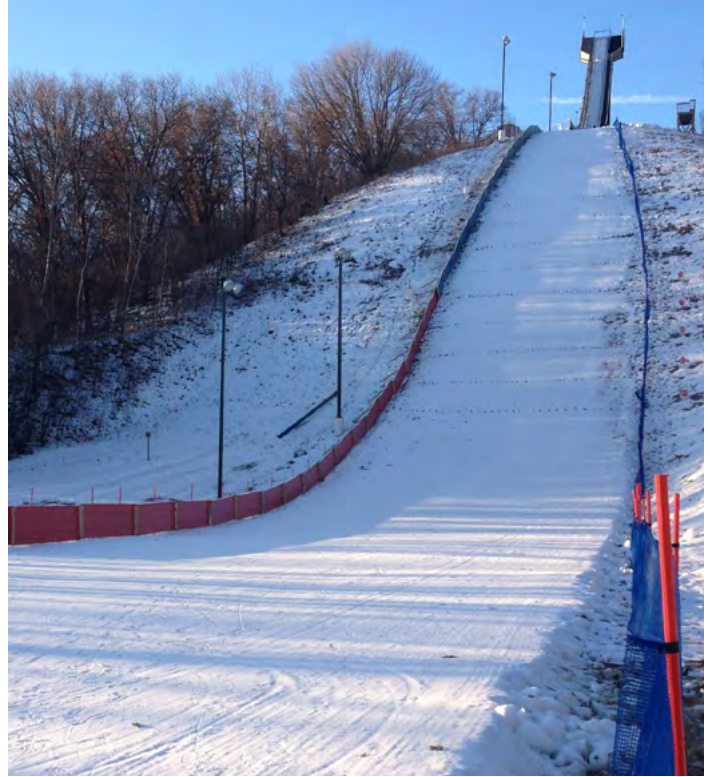
Minneapolis Ski Club

Facility Specifications

70-meter, 25-meter and 10-meter ski jumps

Sports and Activities Served

Ski jumping and Nordic combined



Attendance

1,600

Economic Impact Produced

\$132,500

Giants Ridge Golf & Ski Resort

Biwabik, Minnesota



6325 Wynne Creek Drive
Biwabik, MN 55708
800.688.7669
www.giantsridge.com

Giants Ridge continues its positive economic impact in northeastern Minnesota, attracting 130,000 guests each year from Minnesota, the surrounding Midwestern states and Canada.

During the winter months, in-state and out-of-state skiers visit Giants Ridge for personal multi-day vacations, as well as to attend the numerous ski events such as the Mesabi East Nordic Invitational, and the Minnesota State High School League Alpine and Nordic Championships. The venue is also the site of numerous high school ski training camps, which utilizes the on-site Sports Dorm, and other nearby hotels.

The ski area also services local residents with a season pass program. It also hosts one of the largest Minnesota Youth Ski League chapters in the state, and that program has produced many local junior skiers who have competed at the state and national level.

During the summer months, guests enjoy two 18-hole championship golf courses, as well as hiking, biking, canoeing, and kayaking on two on-site lakes.

State Investment

\$2.2 million (1987)

\$690,000 (1998)

Operator

Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board (IRRRB)

Facility Specifications

- 500-foot vertical drop downhill ski area, six lifts, 35 runs
- 60 kilometers of international-caliber Nordic ski trails
- Three on-site lodging facilities
- Restaurant and banquet facilities
- Sports Dormitory, a 96-bed residence hall
- Two Championship 18-hole golf courses

Sports and Activities Served

- Alpine skiing
- Canoeing
- Cross-country skiing
- Disc golf
- Freestyle skiing
- Snowboarding
- Golf
- In-line skating
- Mountain biking
- Snowmobiling
- Snow tubing
- Snowshoeing

Attendance

129,000

Economic Impact Produced

\$6,200,000

Guidant John Rose Minnesota OVAL

Roseville, Minnesota



2661 Civic Center Drive
Roseville, MN 55113
651.792.7007
www.skatetheoval.com

The Guidant John Rose Minnesota OVAL opened in late 1993, and it has established itself as one of Minnesota's most visible venues for national and international events. The OVAL is one part of the Roseville Skating Center, a venue that includes the OVAL, an indoor ice arena and the community center meeting facility.

The OVAL features the world's largest outdoor refrigerated ice sheet: 110,000 square feet, equal to 6 and a half NHL ice rinks. It has 84 miles of refrigeration piping with 800 tons of refrigerant. As many as 1,200 ice skaters have been on the OVAL surface at one time.

The OVAL has hosted three world cup speedskating meets, two junior world championship speedskating events, world and national bandy championships, and numerous national and regional speedskating events.

The facility continues to develop its summer programming with the addition of one of the Midwest's largest aggressive skating parks.

State Investment

\$1.9 million (1992)

\$500,000 (1994)



Operator

City of Roseville

Facility Specifications

- 400-meter refrigerated speedskating track
- Infield bandy, hockey, and public skating surface
- Fitness room, control room, and large community room

Sports and Activities Served

- Ice speedskating
- In-line speedskating
- Bandy
- Ice hockey
- Public ice skating
- In-line hockey
- Aggressive sports (inline skating, skateboarding, mini-bike ramp course)
- Largest New Year's Eve party in the Metro area
- Rosefest activities

Attendance

110,000

Economic Impact Produced

\$3,200,000

Minneapolis Sports Center

Minneapolis, Minnesota



2121 East Lake Street
Minneapolis, MN 55407
612.215.4321
www.ywcamppls.org/locations/midtown_ywca

The Minneapolis Sports Center is a collaborative effort between the Midtown YWCA, the Minneapolis Public Schools and the MASC. Located adjacent to South High School on Lake Street in Minneapolis, the facility provides athletic training facilities to under-served urban youth.

State Investment

\$3.4 million (1996)
\$600,000 (1998)

Operator

Midtown YWCA

Facility Specifications

- 50,000 square foot fieldhouse
- 50 x 40 yard soccer field
- Four basketball courts
- Four volleyball courts
- Two tennis courts
- Sufficient space to accommodate a 200m indoor track

Sports and Activities Served

- Physical Education classes for Minneapolis Public Schools
- Basketball
- Volleyball
- Tennis
- Indoor Soccer
- Golf Practice
- Batting Cages
- Track and Field
- Rugby
- Team Handball

Attendance

84,000

Economic Impact Produced

\$175,000

Herb Brooks National Hockey Center

St. Cloud, Minnesota



720 - 4th Avenue South
St. Cloud, MN 56301
320.308.3327
www.stcloudstate.edu/campusrec/facilities/buildings-nationalHockeyCenter.asp

Home of the St. Cloud State Huskies, Herb Brooks National Hockey Center supports not only the men's and women's SCSU ice hockey teams and the St. John's University men's hockey team, but numerous campus and community programs as well. The facility has hosted numerous USA Hockey National age-group festivals and training camps and was a venue for preliminary round games of the 2001 Women's World Hockey Championships.

In 1998, the facility hosted the Democratic State Convention, which pioneered a new effort to host large convention-type events. The new tradition continued in 2000, with the hosting of a Billy Graham Crusade.

The Herb Brooks National Hockey Center underwent a major expansion and renovation project in 2013 that added \$30 million in first-class improvements and expansion. Funding came from a variety of sources – including private charitable contributions of over \$12 million. The improvements included a spacious atrium, new west-end seating, expanded suites and club level seating, wider concourses, a team store overlooking the atrium, and new and improved training facilities.

State Investment

\$9.5 million (1987)

\$6.5 million (2008)

Operator

St. Cloud State University

Facility Specifications

- Two Olympic-size sheets of ice
- Main arena has seating capacity of 5,763

Sports and Activities Served

- Broomball
- Curling
- Figure Skating
- Ice Hockey
- Convention Events, Graduations, Commencements

Attendance

460,000

Economic Impact Produced

\$1,900,000

National Volleyball Center

Rochester, Minnesota



2601 Viola Road NE
Rochester, MN 55901
507.328.5200
www.rochestermn.gov/departments/park/facilities/volleyballcenter/index.asp

The \$4.6 million National Volleyball Center opened in September 1998. The Center has won raves as one of the finest volleyball facilities in the world. It is unique in that it was built to the highest standards required by world-class volleyball players, with high ceilings, spacious off-court clearances, Olympic quality lighting and a suspended wood Bio-Cushion II floor.

An additional state investment in 2010 allowed for an expansion of the National Volleyball Center to allow completion of the original vision for the Center. The expansion created three new courts, adding 22,000 square feet.

To date, the NVC has hosted volleyball tournaments, practices, league games, youth camps and an increasing number of major college volleyball events. Other uses such as basketball, indoor soccer, cheerleading, and high school physical education classes have also used the new facility.

State Investment

\$2.3 million (1996)
\$4 million (2010)

Operator

City of Rochester with support from the Rochester School District

Facility Specifications

- 36,000 square feet of playing surface
- Eleven volleyball courts, six basketball courts
- Three additional volleyball courts are available at Century High School, immediately adjacent
- 10,000 square feet in a mezzanine viewing area
- 30-foot ceiling

Sports and Activities Served

- Volleyball
- Basketball
- Badminton
- Cheerleading
- Indoor Soccer
- Physical education activities for Century High School

Attendance

62,000

Economic Impact Produced

\$760,000

Ole Mangseth Memorial Ski Jump Mt. Itasca Ski Area

Coleraine, Minnesota



Mt. Itasca Winter Sports Center
200 Mt. Itasca Drive, PO Box 553
Coleraine, MN 55722
218.245.3487
www.mtitasca.com

Originally built with \$175,000 of funding from the MASC, the Ole Mangseth Ski Jump was upgraded with plastic mats to allow for ski jump training and competition during the non-snow months. Paid for with \$130,000 of additional MASC funds and completed in 1999, it has increased usership and economic impact at the facility significantly. Athletes from throughout the U.S. have trained in Coleraine for extended periods of time at formal training camps lasting as long as ten days. Both the U.S. National Ski Jump Team and the Nordic Combined Development Team have trained at the facility in recent years.

The jump has hosted an impressive list of past and present U.S. Olympic jumpers, including Jim Maki, Jim Denney, Jim Grahek, Brian Sanders, Mike Keuler, Casey Colby and Anders Johnson. The big 70-meter ski jump is the centerpiece of the Mt. Itasca Winter Sports Center, which includes three other smaller ski jumps, a downhill ski area, a world-caliber Nordic and biathlon ski trail system and a main chalet.

Most recently, Mt. Itasca hosted the U.S. Junior World Championship Biathlon Trials, December 28-30, 2012.

State Investment

\$175,000 (1989)
\$130,000 (1998)



Operator

Itasca Ski and Outing Club

Facility Specifications

70, 40, 20 and 10-meter ski jumps, alpine ski area, nordic ski trails, snow tube runs and biathlon range

Sports and Activities Served

- Ski Jumping
- Alpine Skiing
- Cross-Country Skiing
- Nordic Combined
- Snowboarding
- Hiking
- Sliding and Tubing
- Biathlon

Attendance

2,000

Economic Impact Produced

\$340,000

Range Recreation Civic Center

Eveleth, Minnesota



901 Hat Trick Avenue
Eveleth, MN 55734
218.744.1302
www.ironrange.org/things-to-do/range-recreation-civic-center

By working together, the Quad cities of Virginia, Eveleth, Mountain Iron and Gilbert built the Range Recreation Civic Center, with support from the Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission.

The primary winter use of this facility is curling. An Olympic event, the United States Curling Association supports this facility as a National Training Center. The facility is capable of hosting national and regional championships.

The 25,000 square feet of indoor space is also a busy venue for trade and car shows, concerts, receptions and conventions. From the middle of December to the end of March, Curl Mesabi, the resident curling club, hosted an event every weekend and leagues every weekday.

State Investment

\$1.25 million (additional funding from the following sources: \$600,000 from IRRRB, \$500,000 from Quad Cities, contributed on a per capita basis, \$100,000 from the Blandin Foundation, and \$345,000 donated from the curling community)

Operator

Quad Cities Joint Recreational Authority (Virginia, Eveleth, Mountain Iron, Gilbert)

Facility Specifications

- 25,000 square feet
- Eight curling sheets, ice season is October-March
- Capacity is 1,800 people for non-ice events
- Two -evel heated viewing area
- Full-service restaurant and bar, banquet facilities
- Two locker rooms

Sports and Activities Served

- Curling
- Community activities, including school events, graduations, trade shows, banquets.

Attendance

27,000

Economic Impact Produced

\$225,000

St. Louis River Outpost Whitewater Center

Carlton, Minnesota



U of M-Duluth Outdoor Program
121 Sports and Health Center
10 University Drive
Duluth, MN 55812-2496
218.726.6177
www.umdrsop.org/%28RSOP%20Web%29/Facilities/#outpost

The St. Louis River Outpost continues to be a favorite site for all whitewater sports. From local beginners to Olympic-caliber paddlers, the varied terrain of the St. Louis River above and below the Thompson Dam offer different levels of difficulty. The University of Minnesota-Duluth Outdoor Program operates the Outpost Visitor Center just north of Jay Cooke State Park. This natural log structure serves as a staging location for classes, clinics, and competition events.

The new interest in whitewater “rodeo” events has helped boost usership at the Kayak & Canoe Center. Called “park and play” paddling (as opposed to longer downriver runs), the Kayak & Canoe Center has proven to be an ideal site for rodeo paddling.

State Investment
\$260,000 (1989)

Operator
University of Minnesota-Duluth Outdoor Program

Facility Specifications

Whitewater section of the St. Louis River immediately downstream from the Thompson Dam. Viewing areas, trails, spectator safety fencing. Facilities for special events. The Outpost building is used as a meeting and event headquarters facility, primarily used by University of Minnesota-Duluth Outdoor Program students.

Sports and Activities Served

- Whitewater Kayak and Canoeing
- Flatwater Canoeing
- Hiking
- Cycling
- Park and Play Paddling Events
- Night Rodeo

Attendance
25,000

Economic Impact Produced
\$100,000

University of Minnesota Aquatic Center

Minneapolis, Minnesota



100 Cooke Hall
1900 University Ave. SE
Minneapolis, MN 55455
612.626.1352
www.recsports.umn.edu/facilities/aquatic

The University of Minnesota Aquatic Center, located east of Cooke Hall on the Minneapolis campus, was built in 1990. It was designed to meet or exceed Olympic standards so that it could host major swimming and diving events. Nearly two acres in size, the Aquatic Center houses the Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool, a 50-meter competition pool, eight lanes wide and eight feet deep, with a movable bulkhead. The separate diving well features a pair of one-and three-meter boards, as well as 1, 5, 7.5 and 10-meter diving platforms.

In addition to the 1,346 permanent seats, there is room for 1,200 temporary bleachers. In 2005, the Aquatic Center added a new state-of-the-art video display system completed at a cost of \$250,000. The 21-foot by 10-foot digital video display is the largest permanent video installation in an aquatic facility in the United States.

The Aquatic Center has been the site for some of the top swimming and diving events in the country: nine Big Ten Championships, six NCAA Championships, many national and international competitions and countless Minnesota State High School Championships.

Since opening the University of Minnesota Aquatic Center has hosted over five million visitors and numerous state, national and international events, such as:

- One U.S. Olympic Festival
- 39 Girls and Boys High School State Swimming & Diving Championships
- 11 Women's Big Ten Championships
- 11 Men's Big Ten Championships
- Nine Men's and Women's NCAA Division I Championships
- Four Men's and Women's NCAA Division II Championships
- One U.S. Open Synchronized Swimming Championships
- Four Phillips 66 National Swimming Championships
- Eight Speedo Champions Series Meets
- One USA Diving Spring Nationals
- Three USA Swimming Grand Prix Meets
- One U.S. Paralympic Swimming Trials
- Three U.S. Open Swimming Championships
- One Speedo Junior National Championship

State Investment

\$3 million from MASC and \$15 million from the University of Minnesota in 1987

Operator

University of Minnesota

Facility Specifications

- 50-meter indoor competition pool, eight lanes wide, with a moveable bulkhead
- Diving well, with one and three-meter boards, and 1, 5, 7.5 and 10-meter diving platforms
- 1,350 permanent seats, with room for 1,200 additional temporary seats

Sports and Activities Served

- Swimming
- Water Polo
- Synchronized Swimming
- Indoor Sailing
- Scuba
- Water Aerobics
- Learn to Swim and Learn to Dive programs

Attendance

54,048

Economic Impact Produced

\$10,455,408





GRANT PROGRAMS

Mighty Ducks Ice Arena Grant Program

Between 1995 and 2000, the Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission managed an innovative program that provided grants of up to \$250,000 for communities seeking to construct new sheets of ice or \$50,000 for renovation projects on existing facilities. These grants were all matched by local private or non-state public funds.

The program was initiated because of a serious shortage of ice time around the state. Significant growth was taking place in all ice sports, but especially in girls' ice hockey. This growth spurt for a new female sport began in earnest in the mid-1990's and continued unabated through the duration of the Mighty Ducks Grant Program. There was already a shortage of ice time even without a growing group of female hockey players, but their arrival on the Minnesota sports landscape made the issue even more pressing.

All young athletes were affected by this ice shortage, but the shortage was felt more severely by female hockey players. The girls were new on the scene and often lacked seniority in buying ice time. Just as importantly, female hockey players lacked representation on hockey arena and hockey association governing boards that set policies for distributing ice time for practices and games. The result of these factors was the female teams were often relegated to early morning or late evening ice times.

Instead of battling head-to-head with male hockey teams, the MASC pioneered an innovative solution to resolve the shortage: help construct additional ice facilities. Thus, the Mighty Ducks Grant Program was born.

"The Mighty Ducks legislation provided the answer to the problem," said State Representative Bob Millbert, who was also a member of the MASC Board. "Equitable ice times became available for girls and women, without penalizing boys' teams."

Since the original round of grants in December 1995 through the completion of the program in 2000, a total of \$18,405,000 in grants were awarded toward the construction or renovation of Minnesota ice arenas, resulting in the construction of 61 new sheets of ice across the state.

Did the Mighty Ducks program accomplish its mission? If you look at the numbers of Minnesota female hockey players, the answer is yes. USA Hockey registration numbers for 2011-2012 show 12,697 female players in Minnesota. That figure is 3,000

more than the next closest state, Massachusetts, and more than double any other state behind Massachusetts. In fact, one in five female hockey players in the U.S. live and play in Minnesota.

While quantity does not always equate to quality, in the case of women's hockey in Minnesota it has. Seven of the 22 players on the 2013 U.S. Women's U18 National Team were from Minnesota. Seven of the 36 players invited to try out for the 2013 over-19 U.S. Women's National Team call Minnesota home. Check the roster of the top-ranked University of Minnesota Women's Hockey Team and you'll find 12 of 22 players from Minnesota .

Minnesota women's hockey has grown and matured to the point that we have legends, players who've made their mark as the best in the world, and are recognizable even to non-hockey fans – Natalie Darwitz, Jenny Potter, Krissy Wendell, Gigi Marvin, and others.

Mighty Ducks, by the numbers:

- Total state investment (1995-2000): \$18,405,000.
- Number of grants awarded:
 - 79 grants for new arenas, producing 61 new sheets of ice.
 - 74 grants to renovate existing arenas.
- Local and public non-state spending leveraged: \$122.8 million.
- Annual number of users at arenas receiving grants: 11.4 million.
- Sports benefitted by Mighty Ducks grants: hockey, speedskating, figure skating, in-line hockey, broomball, bandy, disabled and senior ice sports.



	NEW ARENA GRANTS	YEAR(S)	RENOVATION GRANTS	YEAR(S)	
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 1					
Albert Lea	\$250,000	1997	\$50,000	1997	
Austin			\$50,000	1997	
Faribault	\$250,000	1995, 1996	\$30,000	1997	
Kasson/Dodge County	\$250,000	1996			
La Crescent	\$250,000				
Mapleton			\$30,000	1996	
Mower County	\$500,000	1998, 2000			
Owatonna	\$250,000	1997			
Red Wing	\$250,000	1998, 2000			
Rochester/Olmsted County	\$250,000	1996	\$100,000	1995, 1996	
Steele County			\$12,500	1997	
Waseca			\$50,000	1995	
Winona			\$50,000	1997	
TOTAL	\$2,250,000		\$372,500		\$2,622,500
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 2					
Buffalo			\$50,000	1997	
Chaska	\$250,000	1997			
Fairmont			\$50,000	1997	
Hutchinson	\$183,500	1998, 2000	\$50,000	1996	
Le Sueur			\$50,000	1998	
Litchfield			\$90,000	1997, 1998	
Luverne			\$50,000	1996	
Mankato	\$250,000	1996			
Marshall			\$50,000	1995	
New Prague	\$250,000	1996			
Paynesville/New London/Spicer	\$250,000	1996, 1997			
Redwood Falls	\$250,000	1998, 2000			
Sleepy Eye	\$150,000	1995	\$50,000	1996	
St. Michael/Albertville	\$250,000	1996, 1997			
Windom			\$50,000	1995	
Worthington			\$50,000	1995	
TOTAL	\$1,833,500		\$540,000		\$2,373,500
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 3					
Bloomington			\$100,000	1997	
Brooklyn Park	\$250,000	1996, 1997	\$25,000	1995	
Eden Prairie			\$25,000	1996	
Edina	\$250,000	1996			
Hopkins			\$16,000	1997	
ISD 278/Orono Hockey	\$100,000	1996			
Maple Grove	\$250,000	1996			
Minnetonka			\$25,000	1996	
Mound			\$25,000	1997	
Orono			\$25,000	1997	
Osseo/ISD 279			\$50,000	1996	
Plymouth	\$350,000	1995, 1997			
TOTAL	\$1,200,000		\$291,000		\$1,491,000

GRANT PROGRAMS

	NEW ARENA GRANTS	YEAR(S)	RENOVATION GRANTS	YEAR(S)	
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 4					
Arden Hills	\$250,000	1997			
Inver Grove Heights	\$150,000	1996			
New Brighton	\$250,000	1996			
Ramsey County	\$250,000	1996	\$450,000	1995, 1996, 1997, 1998	
South St. Paul	\$250,000	1996	\$50,000	1997	
West St. Paul			\$100,000	1996, 1998	
Roseville			\$50,000	1997	
TOTAL	\$1,150,000		\$650,000		\$1,800,000

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 5					
Minneapolis	\$250,000	1995			
Minneapolis Park Board			\$100,000	1997	
Minneapolis Public Schools			\$50,000	1996	
New Hope/ISD 281	\$250,000	1996			
Richfield	\$250,000	1998, 2000	\$50,000	1995	
St. Louis Park	\$250,000	1996			
TOTAL	\$1,000,000		\$200,000		\$1,200,000

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 6					
Anoka County	\$250,000	1996, 1997			
Apple Valley			\$50,000	1996	
Blaine	\$250,000	1996, 1997			
Centennial School District			\$50,000	1998	
Centennial School District/NSC			\$50,000	2000	
Coon Rapids			\$50,000	1997	
Cottage Grove			\$40,000	1995	
Eagan	\$250,000	1996, 1997			
Farmington			\$50,000	1996	
Fridley			\$100,000	1997, 1998	
Hastings	\$250,000	1996, 1997			
Lakeville	\$250,000	1997			
Oakdale/Maplewood	\$250,000	1995	\$50,000	1997	
Stillwater	\$250,000	1996, 1997			
White Bear Lake			\$16,000	1996	
Woodbury	\$250,000	1997			
TOTAL	\$2,000,000				\$2,456,000

	NEW ARENA GRANTS	YEAR(S)	RENOVATION GRANTS	YEAR(S)	
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 7					
Alexandria	\$150,000	1995			
Bagley	\$200,000	1995			
Bemidji	\$200,000	1997	\$50,000	1997	
Bemidji State University			\$50,000	1998	
Crookston			\$50,000	1997	
Detroit Lakes	\$250,000	1996	\$50,000	1998	
East Grand Forks			\$45,000	1996	
Moorhead	\$350,000	1996, 1997			
Park Rapids			\$50,000	1998	
Richmond	\$250,000	1995, 1997			
St. Cloud	\$250,000	1997			
St. Cloud State University	\$150,000	1998	\$50,000	1998	
Sauk Centre	\$125,000	1995			
Stevens County/Morris			\$50,000	1995	
Thief River Falls			\$50,000	1997	
TOTAL	\$1,925,000		\$445,000		\$2,370,000

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 8					
Babbitt			\$12,000	1995	
Brainerd	\$125,000	1998	\$45,000	1996	
Cambridge/Isanti	\$250,000	1997			
Carlton			\$50,000	1995	
Chisholm			\$100,000	1997	
Cloquet	\$250,000	1995			
Coleraine			\$50,000	1996	
Cuyuna Range/Crosby	\$250,000	1997			
Duluth			\$100,000	1996, 1998	
Elk River	\$250,000	1996			
Eveleth*	\$1,250,000	1996	\$50,000	1998	
Gilbert	\$250,000	1998, 2000			
Hoyt Lakes			\$50,000	1997	
International Falls	\$200,000	1996, 1997			
Koochiching County	\$135,000	1998			
Lindstrom			\$50,000	1995	
Moose Lake	\$150,000	1996	\$75,000	1997, 1998	
Mora			\$50,000	1995	
Proctor			\$50,000	1996	
Silver Bay			\$50,000	1996	
Virginia	\$250,000	1997			
TOTAL	\$3,360,000		\$732,000		\$4,092,000

Mighty Kids Grant Program – 1997-1998

After the success of the Mighty Ducks Grant Program, the MASC administered a similar grant program called “Mighty Kids.” This program was approved by the 1997 Minnesota Legislature for a total of \$800,000 to be awarded in two rounds, in January and August of 1998.

This program was focused on supporting sports and recreation programs that were held before-school, after-school and during non-school hours. The grants, each up to a maximum of \$20,000, were awarded to state agencies, counties, cities, or school districts. Non-profit organizations were able to apply with the sponsorship of a local government unit.

The MASC used six criteria in awarding the grants:

1. Increasing the number of participating youth.
2. Increasing the athletic skills of participating youth.
3. Making a positive impact on academic achievement and school attendance.
4. Making a positive impact on the social skills of participants.
5. Contributing to a reduction in juvenile crime.
6. Encouraging partnerships between communities.

Some of the grants that were approved during this grant program included:

New skateboard parks in Burnsville, Moorhead and Elk River.

A cooperative grant between the City of Hoyt Lakes and the Minnesota Youth Ski League to purchase a trailer, boots, skis and poles to introduce the sport of cross-country skiing to youth groups.

A distance running program for at-risk youth administered by the City of Crystal and Bolder Options.

A 6th-8th grade basketball program operating in 23 schools in the Minneapolis School District.

A Pony League football program in Cass Lake.

An adaptive floor hockey program in Winona.

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 1	
Albert Lea	\$12,600
Elgin-Millville ISD	\$1,500
Owatonna ISD 761	\$20,000
Red Wing ISD 256	\$1,200
Rice County Community Corrections	\$5,000
Rochester Community & Technical College	\$19,202
Rushford	\$20,000
St. Claire Public Schools	\$2,500
Stewartville	\$2,500
Waseca ISD 829	\$5,000
Waterville-Elysian-Morristown Community Services	\$6,000
Winona Independent School District	\$2,480
TOTAL	\$97,982
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 2	
Annandale ISD 876	\$19,100
Buffalo ISD	\$2,500
Delano ISD	\$2,500
Hutchinson	\$3,600
Luverne	\$5,000
Madelia	\$2,500
Madelia ISD 837 (2 grants)	\$8,500
Marshall	\$5,000
Nicollet ISD	\$9,500
Otsego	\$2,500
Paynesville ISD	\$5,000
Redwood Falls	\$20,000
Willmar ISD 347	\$3,000
Windom	\$3,300
TOTAL	\$92,000
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 3	
Bloomington	\$8,750
Brooklyn Center	\$2,350
Brooklyn Park	\$20,000
Burnsville	\$8,460
Plymouth	\$5,000
Shorewood/Tonka United Soccer Association	\$10,000
TOTAL	\$54,560

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 4	
Ramsey County Parks & Recreation (2 grants)	\$25,000
St. Paul (6 grants)	\$38,820
St. Paul /Jimmy Lee Rec Center Booster Club	\$5,000
St. Paul ISD/Minnesota Thunder Soccer Club	\$6,720
St. Paul/St. Paul Girls Club	\$10,000
St Paul ISD 625 (4 grants)	\$20,500
TOTAL	\$106,040
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 5	
Crystal/Bolder Options	\$10,000
Minneapolis	\$10,000
Minneapolis Community Education	\$20,000
Minneapolis Park Board (5 grants)	\$24,614
Minneapolis Park Board/Minnapolis Police Athletic League	\$10,000
Minneapolis School District (4 grants)	\$41,906
Minneapolis Youth Coordinating Board	\$10,000
Richfield/DEAF Inc.	\$2,500
University of Minnesota	\$5,400
TOTAL	\$134,420
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 6	
Blaine	\$20,000
Cottage Grove	\$10,000
Eagan	\$12,109
Lakeville ISD 194	\$2,500
TOTAL	\$44,609
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 7	
Alexandria ISD/Lakes Community Recreation	\$10,000
Argyle	\$8,855
Detroit Lakes	\$2,500
Fosston	\$5,000
Kelliher ISD 36	\$2,500
Long Prairie/Grey Eagle	\$10,000
Moorhead	\$15,000
New York Mills	\$2,250
Norman County ISD 2215	\$10,000
Perham (2 grants)	\$18,356
TOTAL	\$84,461

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 8	
Brainerd/Brainerd YMCA	\$10,000
Cass Lake/Leech Lake Reservation	\$15,000
Cook County	\$2,500
Crookston Joint Recreation Board	\$5,000
Duluth	\$6,000
Elk River	\$2,500
Ely	\$2,500
Esko ISD 99	\$5,000
Grand Rapids ISD/YMCA	\$10,000
Hoyt Lakes/Minnesota Youth Ski League	\$5,000
McGregor ISD	\$11,000
Mesabi East ISD	\$1,000
Moose Lake ISD	\$3,000
Mountain Iron	\$2,500
Nashwauk ISD	\$15,000
Nisswa	\$2,500
Pierz ISD 484 (2 grants)	\$6,720
Proctor	\$5,000
Silver Bay	\$3,000
Toivola-Meadowlands	\$3,500
Virginia	\$5,000
Virginia ISD	\$10,000
Warroad	\$13,500
Willow River ISD 577	\$5,000
TOTAL	\$150,220

MASC - DOE Youth Enrichment Grant Program “Mighty Kicks” – 2000

Following on the heels of the innovative Mighty Ducks Ice Arena Grant Program (1995-2000) and the Mighty Kids Grant Program (1997-1998), the MASC and the Minnesota Department of Education jointly administered a grant fund of \$5 million. The 2000 legislature authorized the MASC to award \$2.5 million of the total fund, with the Department of Education authorized to award the other \$2.5 million.

The MASC’s grants were awarded to local government units to design, equip, renovate, replace or construct parks and school facilities. A priority was placed on the development of soccer facilities to meet the increasing shortage of fields statewide. Because of that, the program became popularly known as the “Mighty Kicks Grant Program.”

Sixty-eight grants were awarded by the MASC. The amounts ranged from \$4,000 to \$100,000 and all required a match of funding from non-state sources. A total of 130 applications were received.

The grants eventually facilitated the construction of 142 new soccer fields statewide and the renovation of 16 others. Grants were also awarded to help the construction of sports facilities serving baseball, golf, softball and football.

The MASC used the following criteria in awarding “Mighty Kicks” grants:

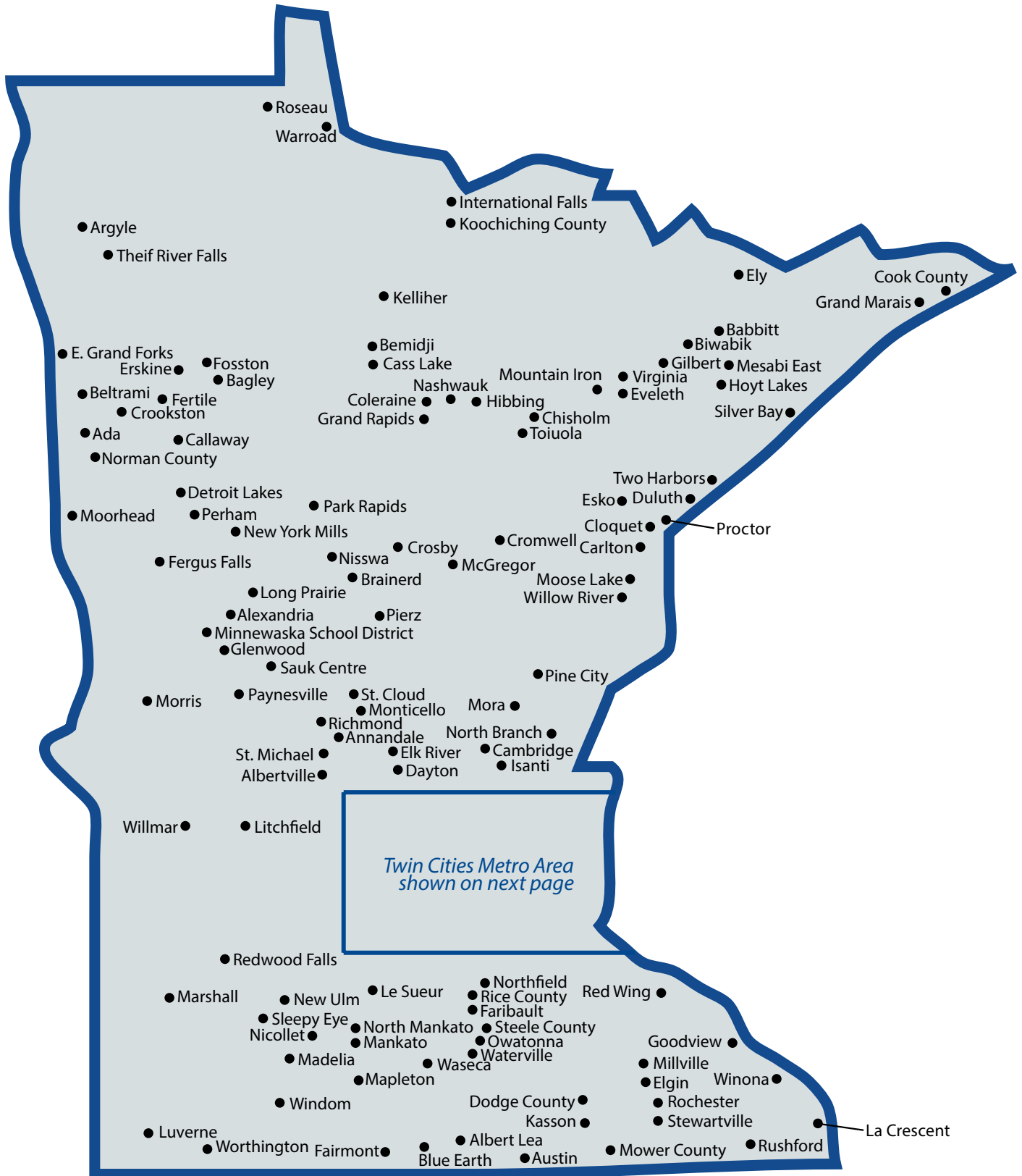
1. Approximate balance in funding between the eight congressional districts.
2. Preference for facilities and programs serving youth in grades 4 to 8.
3. Facilities would be used by programs in non-school hours.
4. Facilities would service at-risk or low-income youth.
5. Priority given to development of additional soccer facilities.
6. Priority given to local government units that collaborate with other public and private organizations.

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 1	
Austin	\$25,000
Blue Earth	\$22,500
Elgin	\$9,522
Faribault	\$19,000
Goodview	\$32,000
North Mankato	\$75,000
Northfield	\$28,000
Owatonna	\$50,000
Rochester	\$100,000
Stewartville	\$11,500
TOTAL	\$372,522
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 2	
Buffalo	\$4,000
Chaska	\$40,000
Marshall (2 grants)	\$169,000
St. Michael	\$10,000
Worthington	\$100,000
Carver	\$10,000
Monticello	\$20,000
Madelia	\$23,300
New Ulm	\$25,000
TOTAL	\$401,300
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 3	
Bloomington	\$100,000
Dayton	\$14,350
Hennepin County Parks	\$100,000
Plymouth	\$100,000
Robbinsdale	\$25,000
Rockford	\$61,500
Westonka School District 277	\$20,000
TOTAL	\$420,850

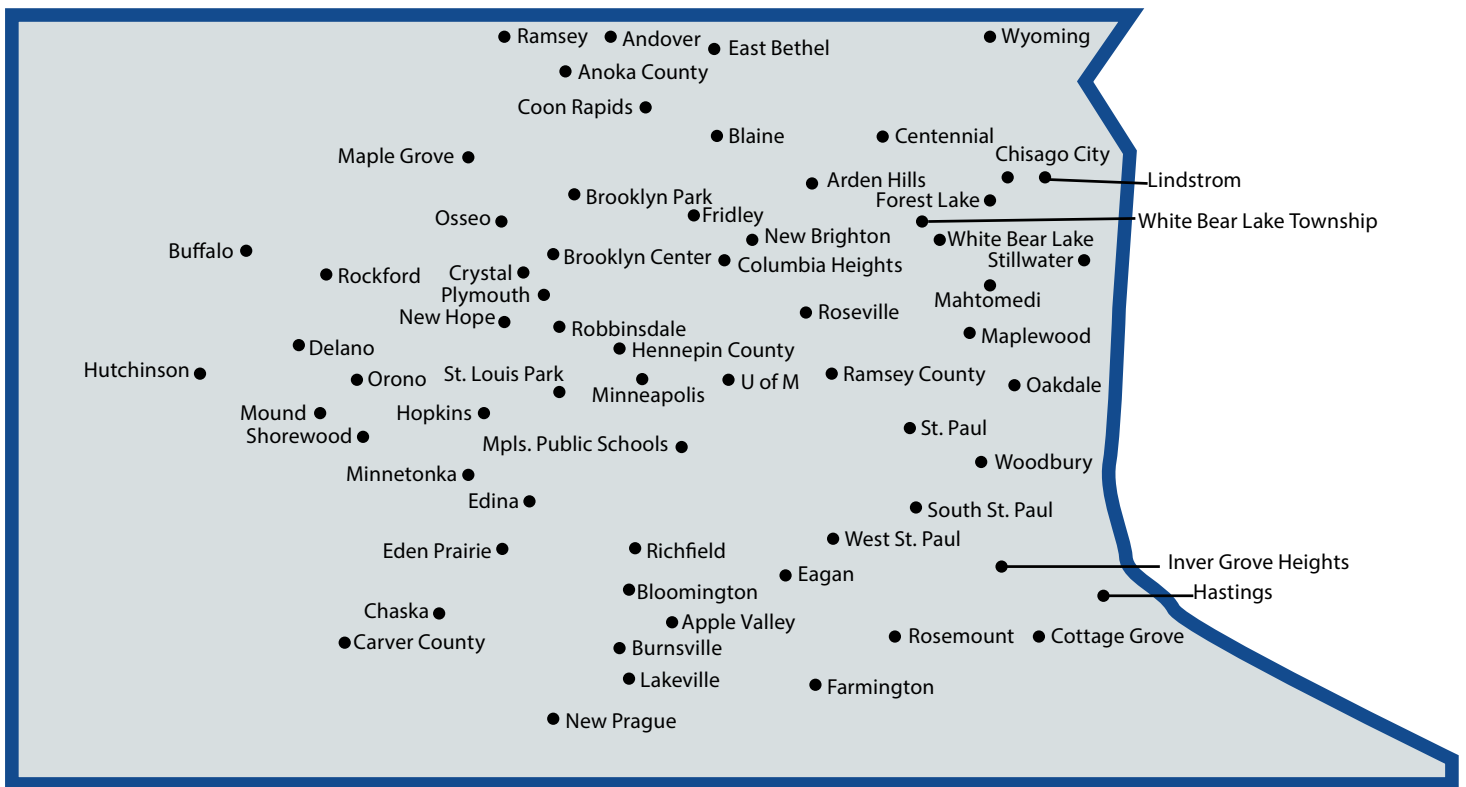
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 4	
Roseville	\$10,000
South St. Paul	\$8,300
South St. Paul School District	\$100,000
St. Paul	\$99,000
White Bear Township	\$75,000
TOTAL	\$292,300
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 5	
Minneapolis Park Board	\$81,000
St. Louis Park	\$100,000
TOTAL	\$181,000
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 6	
Andover	\$25,000
Columbia Heights	\$5,000
Coon Rapids	\$25,000
East Bethel	\$10,000
Forest Lake School District 831	\$10,000
Fridley	\$6,000
Hastings	\$40,000
Mahtomedi	\$17,400
Oakdale	\$30,000
Ramsey	\$100,000
Rosemount	\$10,000
TOTAL	\$278,400
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 7	
Alexandria Area School District 206	\$10,000
Detroit Lakes	\$10,000
Erskine	\$12,000
Fergus Falls	\$90,000
Fertile & Beltrami	\$18,250
Minnewaska Area School Dist 2149	\$10,000
Richmond	\$10,000
St. Cloud	\$22,000
Thief River Falls	\$10,000
Warroad	\$25,000
TOTAL	\$217,250

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 8	
Biwabik	\$9,000
Chisago City	\$10,000
Cloquet	\$30,000
Cromwell	\$8,500
Duluth	\$13,300
Grand Marais	\$19,000
Hibbing	\$55,000
Isanti	\$75,000
North Branch	\$27,000
Pine City	\$5,000
Proctor	\$10,000
Two Harbors	\$7,500
Willow River	\$10,000
Wyoming	\$10,000
TOTAL	\$289,300

Statewide Grant Locations



Twin Cities Metro Area Grant Locations



MILESTONES

- 1987** Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission is created.
- 1988** The inaugural Star of the North Games is held in St. Cloud.
- 1989** MASC funding improves and upgrades existing whitewater kayaking facility on the St. Louis River in Carlton.
- 1990** National Sports Center, the MASC's flagship facility, opens in Blaine.
- 1990** National Sports Center hosts the cycling and soccer events of the U.S. Olympic Festival.
- 1990** University of Minnesota Aquatic Center in Minneapolis and the National Hockey Center in St. Cloud open.
- 1990** MASC funding builds the Sports Dorm and upgrades the Nordic ski trails at Giants Ridge Ski Area in Biwabik.
- 1991** Ole Mangseth Memorial Ski Jump opens at the Mt. Itasca Ski Area in Coleraine.
- 1992** The National Sports Center hosts the U.S. Olympic Cycling Trials.
- 1994** John Rose Minnesota OVAL opens in Roseville.
- 1995** The Mighty Ducks Ice Arena Grant Program is created to help build additional sheets of ice all over the state.
- 1997** The Mighty Kids grant program is created to fund after school sports programs and facilities.
- 1998** National Volleyball Center opens in Rochester and the Range Recreation Civic Center opens in Eveleth.
- 1998** The four-sheet Schwan Super Rink opens at the National Sports Center.
- 2000** The MASC/Department of Education Youth Enrichment Grant Program (better known as "Mighty Kicks,") was created to build more soccer facilities around the state.
- 2000** Minneapolis Sports Center opens. Also, a new 70-meter ski jump opens at the Bush Lake Ski Jump complex at Hyland Park in Bloomington.
- 2001** The MASC hosts the IIHF Women's World Hockey Championship, with games in Rochester, St. Cloud, Blaine, Plymouth, Fridley and Minneapolis.
- 2003** Victory Links Golf Course opens at the National Sports Center.
- 2006** Four additional sheets of ice are added to the Schwan Super Rink at the National Sports Center, making it the largest ice arena in the world.
- 2007** The Herb Brooks Training Center, a state-of-the-art indoor training center, opens at the Schwan Super Rink at the National Sports Center.
- 2008** USA Hockey establishes a residency program at the National Sports Center for the 2010 Women's Olympic Team in preparation for the 2010 Olympic Winter Games in Vancouver.
- 2009** The National Sports Center's flagship event, Schwan's USA CUP, celebrates its 25th anniversary.
- 2011** The National Volleyball Center in Rochester is expanded to complete the vision of the original facility plan.
- 2012** The Star of the North Games celebrates its 25th anniversary with its Summer Games in Rochester.



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