



# GOODHUE COUNTY MINNESOTA

TO EFFECTIVELY PROMOTE THE SAFETY, HEALTH, AND WELL-BEING OF OUR RESIDENTS

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA

COUNTY BOARD ROOM  
GOVERNMENT CENTER  
RED WING, MN

JUNE 7, 2022  
8:00 A.M.

### Virtual Meeting Notice

Due to concerns surrounding the spread of COVID-19, it has been determined that in-person meetings or meetings conducted under Minn. Stat. 13D.02 a may not be practical or prudent. Therefore, meetings that are governed by the Open Meeting Law will temporarily be conducted by both in person and by telephone or other electronic means pursuant to Minn. Stat. 13D.021.

The Goodhue County Board of Commissioners will be conducting a committee of the whole meeting pursuant to this section on June 7, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. in the County Board Room. The County Administrator and/or County Attorney will be present at the meeting location. County Commissioners may appear in person or attend by telephone or other electronic means. The public may attend in person or monitor the meeting from a remote site by logging into <https://meet.goto.com/582579141> or calling [1 877 309 2073](tel:18773092073) any time during the meeting. **Access code: 582 579 141**

### 1. Workforce Investment Program

Documents:

[MSCS-WDI-Goodhue County ARPA Project.pdf](#)

### 2. SELCO Annual Presentation

Documents:





# Goodhue County Workforce Investment Program



# Introductions

This proposal is a partnership between Minnesota State College Southeast, Workforce Development, Inc., and Goodhue County.

- Josiah Litant, MSC Southeast
- Chad Dull, MSC Southeast
- Kyle Mullen, WDI, Inc.
- County Board and staff



# Project Overview

- This program will provide zero-cost educational opportunities to Goodhue County residents who are unemployed or underemployed as a result of the pandemic or recession, or who were unemployed when the pandemic began and remain out of work.
- The program will focus on students earning credentials in key fields identified by Goodhue County as priority areas of need within county government.
- The project aligns with the county mission to effectively promote the safety, health, and well-being of residents.



# Project Evolution

- President Danielson brought idea to Scott in January
- Josiah and Chad met with Scott and his leadership team in February to gather input on the rough proposal
- Kyle and WDI were looped in as partners in fleshing out the proposal in March
- Met with Scott and several managers in April to gather further input and feedback
- Submitted a full written proposal in May



# What is the scope of the project?

The program will recruit 10 students, beginning in fall 2022, in key fields identified as priority needs within county government:

- Registered Nurse (1 student)
- Administrative Support (1 student)
- Information Technology (2 students)
- Civil engineer technologist (2 students)\*
- Accounting or Business Management (2 students)
- Criminal Justice (2 students)



# What is the scope of the project?

- Participants must live in Goodhue County and must meet the definition of unemployed or underemployed
- WDI will provide wrap-around supports to participants in this program, such as career planning, transportation assistance, childcare stipends, and connecting to other community support programs.
- Goodhue County is seeking individuals for this program who could be employed by the county upon graduation from MSC Southeast.
- As a part of the program, participants will also be offered a paid summer internship with the county between their first and second year.





# How are students selected?

- Because no tax deduction will be requested for the expense by the County, Goodhue County may select participants for the program directly.
- WDI and MSC Southeast will support the recruitment, marketing, and qualifying of applicants for the program, and can participate on the selection committee if desired.
- Candidates must meet basic criteria to be viable candidates for county employment (e.g., cannot have certain criminal histories, etc.).



# How are students selected? (cont.)

- Goodhue County is an equal opportunity, affirmative action, and veteran-friendly employer. Goodhue County recognizes that a diverse workforce is essential and strongly encourages qualified women, minorities, individuals with disabilities, and veterans to apply.



# What does “zero cost” mean for students?

- No student will pay out of pocket for tuition, fees, or materials. There are no loans in this program!
- Students will be required to complete the FAFSA.
- Financial aid will be applied to each student’s bill, and then the balance is paid by the County each semester.
- Based on our research, we anticipate financial aid will cover *at least* 70% of student expenses.
- Because many of the participants are low-income, many may have all expenses covered by financial aid.



# Logistics and details

- The project would begin this fall and end by August 2025.
- Students could attend full-time or part-time, but must complete their credential in three years.
- We anticipate the total cost to be no more than \$40,000.
- To be eligible, participants must be a resident of Goodhue County, graduated from high school prior to 1/1/20, and be unemployed or underemployed (per WDI definitions).
- Participants must remain a Goodhue County resident throughout.
- Participants must meet institutional academic progress standards (maintain a 2.0 cumulative GPA), minimally.



# Discussion

- Questions
- Comments
- Feedback
- Next Steps

**THANK YOU!**





# Goodhue County Libraries

Cannon Falls

Kenyon

Lake City

Pine Island

Red Wing

Zumbrota

# 2021 – A Year in Review

Last year the number of people that visited the Goodhue County libraries increased over our 2020 numbers. We had 132,505 visitors in 2020 and 172,548 visitors in 2021. This is a 30.2% increase which is a positive sign that people are returning to our facilities after the pandemic.



Cannon Falls – 22,430



Kenyon – 7,446



Lake City – 19,803



Pine Island – 8,550



Red Wing – 85,401



Zumbrota – 28,918

# Programming throughout Goodhue:

For the purpose of this slide, we have looked only at virtual and onsite programming. Publishers were more lenient during 2020 and this was reflected in our programming. We offered more traditional programming in 2021 and were happy to see that attendance for programming increased. We saw a 30.1% increase in program attendance over 2020.

## Number of Programs:

<b>Cannon Falls</b>	<b>172</b>
<b>Kenyon</b>	<b>90</b>
<b>Lake City</b>	<b>136</b>
<b>Pine Island</b>	<b>99</b>
<b>Red Wing</b>	<b>99</b>
<b>Zumbrota</b>	<b>205</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>801</b>

## Program Attendance:

<b>Cannon Falls</b>	<b>3060</b>
<b>Kenyon</b>	<b>1090</b>
<b>Lake City</b>	<b>2371</b>
<b>Pine Island</b>	<b>1451</b>
<b>Red Wing</b>	<b>4041</b>
<b>Zumbrota</b>	<b>1574</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>13587</b>



# Library space is used in many ways :

- Test proctoring
- Supervised visitation
- Tutoring
- Book clubs
- Girl Scouts/Boy Scout Troops
- Non profit organizations – humane society, photo clubs, garden clubs
- Public Health (Baby Café)
- Elder Network
- AARP tax assistance
- Social Services meets with clients

# 423,297 Items Circulated

In 2021 the Goodhue County libraries circulation began to recover from the Covid pandemic. We circulated 347,208 items in 2020 and 423,279 items in 2021. This is a 21.9% increase.

## Total Circulation:

<b>Cannon Falls</b>	<b>51900</b>
<b>Kenyon</b>	<b>24406</b>
<b>Lake City</b>	<b>45574</b>
<b>Pine Island</b>	<b>37828</b>
<b>Red Wing</b>	<b>182077</b>
<b>Zumbrota</b>	<b>81494</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>423279</b>

## County Circulation:

<b>Cannon Falls</b>	<b>17653</b>
<b>Kenyon</b>	<b>7549</b>
<b>Lake City</b>	<b>4173</b>
<b>Pine Island</b>	<b>3015</b>
<b>Red Wing</b>	<b>25283</b>
<b>Zumbrota</b>	<b>27457</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>85130</b>

# 85,130 Total County Circulation

# Non-Traditional Circulation

- Hot Spots
- Chromebooks
- Kindles
- Explorer Packs
- Puppets
- Framed Art Work
- Draft Check Packs
- Power Check Packs
- Story Time Kits
- Breakout Kits
- STEAM Kits
- Jigsaw Puzzles
- Board Games



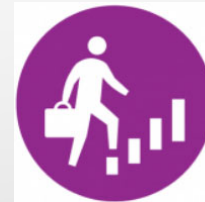
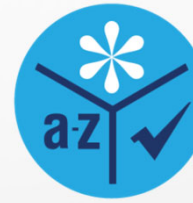
# TECHNOLOGY

## On-line services

- E-books
- E-Audio books
- Language instruction
- Movies
- Magazines
- Genealogy
- Job assistance
- Homework help
- ELM (Electronic Library of Minnesota – research)



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# 12,301 WiFi Sessions

With all of the facilities reopening to the public in 2021 it was expected to see a decrease in the number of WiFi sessions. As part of our services libraries increased the range of WiFi to allow use from outside the building. The reopening allowed for people to choose our public computers over the WiFi. This is represented by the -5.87% decrease between 2020 and 2021.

<b>Cannon Falls</b>	<b>2009</b>
<b>Kenyon</b>	<b>1637</b>
<b>Lake City</b>	<b>1223</b>
<b>Pine Island</b>	<b>1336</b>
<b>Red Wing</b>	<b>3620</b>
<b>Zumbrota</b>	<b>2476</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>12301</b>



# 11,681 Computer Sessions

We have seen an increase in the number of people returning to the library facilities to use the public computers. In 2021 we had 6,818 people use the public computers. This year we had 11,861 sessions, which is a 71.3% Increase.

<b>Cannon Falls</b>	<b>1144</b>
<b>Kenyon</b>	<b>655</b>
<b>Lake City</b>	<b>1398</b>
<b>Pine Island</b>	<b>591</b>
<b>Red Wing</b>	<b>6288</b>
<b>Zumbrota</b>	<b>1605</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>11681</b>



# 1,069,956 Website Visits

We are happy to report that we have not seen a significant drop in the number of people visiting our library websites. In 2020 we saw an increase in visits, with 1,072,699 visits. We saw a slight decrease of -0.26% for 2022. Our content and information is still bringing in over a million visits.

<b>Cannon Falls</b>	<b>105002</b>
<b>Kenyon</b>	<b>33748</b>
<b>Lake City</b>	<b>173895</b>
<b>Pine Island</b>	<b>75173</b>
<b>Red Wing</b>	<b>460245</b>
<b>Zumbrota</b>	<b>221893</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1069956</b>



# How does the community use our computers?

- Burning permits
- On-line training
- Legal documents
- Tax forms
- Boarding passes
- Job applications
- On-line shopping
- Social service applications
- On-line college courses



# The Library as a Business Center

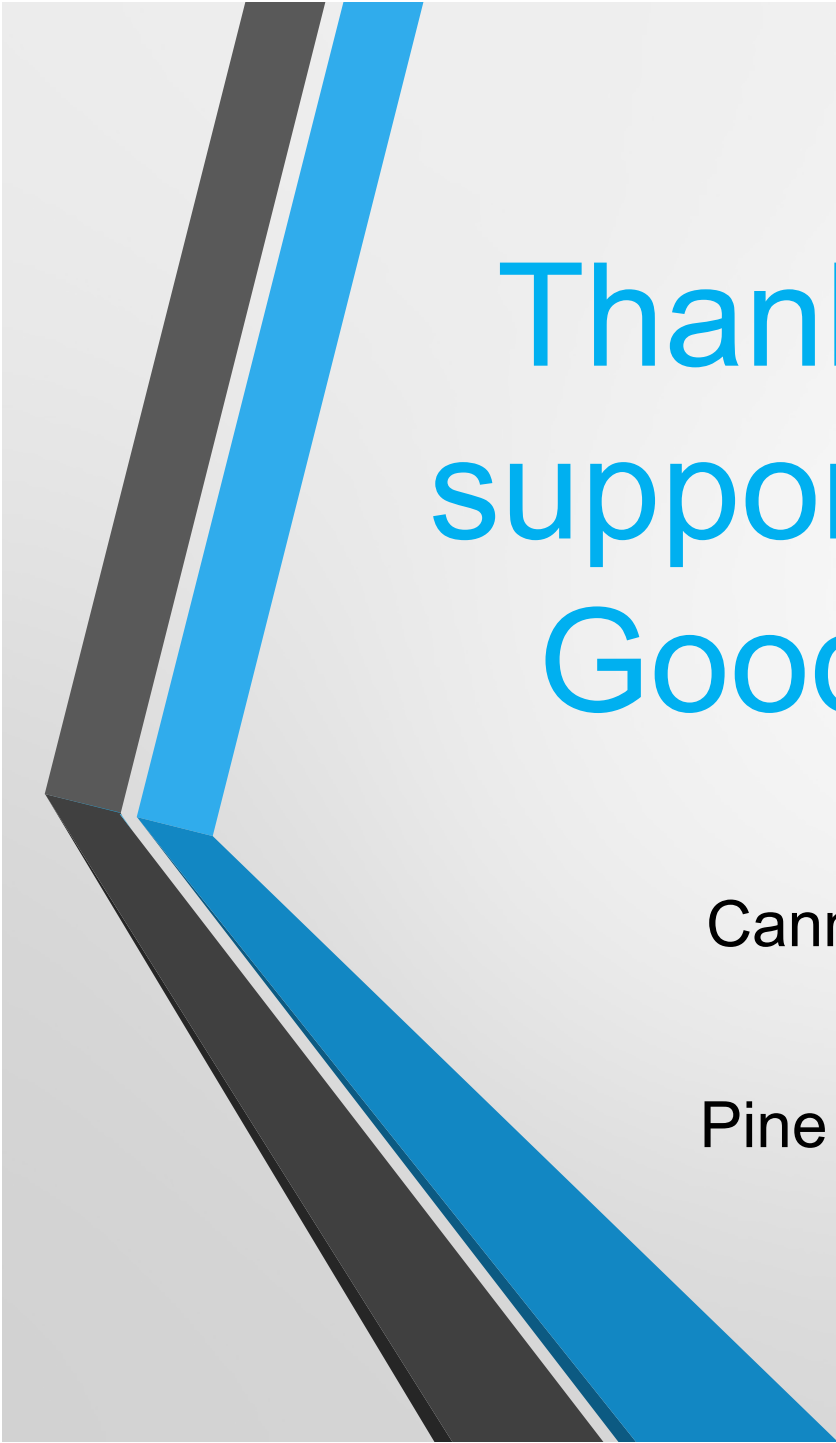
- Faxing services
- Scanning services
- Laminating services
- Copies
- Notary services

# COLLABORATIONS

- 4-H • AARP • ArtReach • Cannon Valley Senior Center • Cannon Rivers Senior Center • Downtown Main Street • Evergreen Assisted Living • Friends of the Bluffs • Girls Scouts • Goodhue County Health & Human Services • Goodhue County Historical Society • Goodhue County Social Services • Goodhue Elementary Head Start (Three Rivers Community Action • Hiawatha Animal Humane Society • Hispanic Outreach • Hope Coalition • Lake City Area Arts • Lake City Chamber of Commerce • Lake City Community Education • Lake City Market by the Lake • Lake City Historical Society • Lake Pepin Legacy Alliance

# COLLABORATIONS CONTINUED

- • Live Healthy Red Wing • Minnesota Horticultural Society - Goodhue County Chapter • Minnesota Humanities Council • Peachtree Daycare Pine Island Chamber of Commerce • Pine Island Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Committee • Pine Island Public Schools • Red Wing Area Seniors (Pier 55) • Red Wing Fire Department • Red Wing Kiwanis Club Red Wing La Leche League • Red Wing League of Women Voters • Red Wing Park Naturalists • Red Wing Police Department • Red Wing Public Schools • Red Wing YMCA • Rivertown Games • Rustic Café • South x SouthEast Brewing Company • Sunshine Corner • St. John's Lutheran School • The Literacy Network • Title 1 • United Way of Goodhue/Wabasha/Pierce Counties • Universal Music Center



Thank you for your  
support of libraries in  
Goodhue County.

Cannon Falls

Kenyon

Lake City

Pine Island

Red Wing

Zumbrota