# A HEALTHIER STATE OF MINNESOTA

BETTER HEALTH TOGETHER.



Statewide Health Improvement Partnership (SHIP) investments support community-driven solutions to expand opportunities for active living, healthy eating and commercial tobacco-free living, helping all people in Minnesota prevent chronic diseases including cancer, heart disease, stroke and type 2 diabetes. Ninety percent of the nation's health care costs are for people with chronic conditions, and the majority of those costs are preventable.

Senator

Bill Weber

Representative Joe Schomacker, 22A

Representative Rod Hamilton, 22B

# SHIP supports health across the lifespan

With a solid infrastructure and strong relationships in place, SHIP communities are well positioned to address emerging public health issues and continue creating better health across a lifespan.



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#### Active living plans address physical activity barriers in rural communities

Community Wellness Partners, the Statewide Health Improvement Partnership (SHIP) team in Cottonwood, Jackson and Nobles counties, has succeeded in bringing together local residents to create active living plans in several communities.

Active living plans address barriers to physical activity and integrate physical activity into already built spaces, making daily activities easier to do by foot or bicycle. As a result, several physical activity projects and events have been implemented in Worthington, Windom, Jackson and Mountain Lake.

For example, in the cities of Worthington and Windom, Community Wellness Partners worked with BikeMN to host Bikeable Community Workshops for community members to discuss ways to make cities more bikeable. In Worthington, goals identified during the workshop included hosting bike education for students, sidewalk connectivity and more bicycle parking. SHIP involvement meant that equity was also considered: targeting populations to make sure to involve and consider the needs of different ethnicities, communities of color, people in wheelchairs and older people who want to be more mobile.

Worthington recently completed new biking amenities, including buffered bike lanes, shared lane designations and crossing enhancements at commonly used areas in town. Last summer over 100 people participated in a training hosted by the active living group that included discussions around overcoming potential barriers to riding and safe bicycling, and concluded with a three-and-a-half-mile bike ride on Oxford Street, showcasing some of Worthington's new biking improvements.

Groups continue to come together to do similar work in Jackson and Mountain Lake, and Community Wellness Partners is providing technical assistance and support to communities and workplaces that want to be more bicycle and walk friendly.

# SHIP: LOCAL LEADERSHIP, LOCAL PARTNERS, LOCAL EXPERTISE

### These community partners are leading SHIP activities in your communities.

#### Community

Atrium High Rise Worthington HRA Headquarters

Benton Valley Manor Lake Benton Blue Mound Towers Luverne Breastfeeding Boosters Coalition

Brittany Apartments

Buffalo Ridge

**Castlewood Apartments** 

City of Balaton
City of Edgerton

City of Luverne

City of Mountain Lake

City of Pipestone

City of Slayton

City of Tracy

City of Worthington

College Way Apartments

Hillside Manor

Johnson Apartments

**Lakeview Apartments** 

Lenore Manor

Lucy Square Townhomes

Lupitas Mini Market

Lutheran Social Service of

Minnesota

Senior Nutrition Program

Mountain Lake HRA

**New Castle Townhomes** 

**Nobles Square Apartments** 

**Nokomis Apartments Pipestone** 

Okabena Estates

Okabena Towers

Prairie Acres Apartments

**Prairie Acres Townhomes** 

**Rising Sun Estates** 

**Riverview Apartments Windom** 

HRA Headquarters Shalom Manor

Stately Manor

Sunshine Apartments

Top Asian Food Store

Twin Circles Tracy

University of Minnesota-SNAP

Education

Viking Terrace Apartments

**Willow Court Townhomes** 

Worthington Farmers Market

Worthington HRA Scattered Sites

#### **Health Care**

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Gravon's Natural Chiropractic Center

Lewis Family Drug

MNRAAA

Murray County Medical Center

Peterson Drug & Gifts- Thrifty White

Pharmacy

Sanford Clinic-Worthington

Sanford Health Mountain Lake Clinic

Sanford Jackson Lakefield Clinic

Thrifty White Pharmacy

Worthington Family Planning SMOC

#### Schools

**ECFE-Worthington District 518** 

Fulda Public School

Hills Beaver Creek School District

Jackson County Central Middle

Lincoln Public Schools

Mountain Lake Elementary

Murray County Central School District

Pipestone Area School District

Pleasantview Elementary

**Prairie Elementary** 

Red Rock Central School District

Tracy Area Public Schools

Walnut Grove Elementary

Westbrook Walnut Grove Secondary

Windom Area Middle/High

Winfair Elementary
Worthington Middle

Worthington Senior High

#### Workplace

City of Windom

Client Community Services, Inc.
Cottonwood County: Courthouse
Fulda Area Credit Union Windom
Good Samaritan Society Mtn. Lake
Good Samaritan Society Westbrook

JBS

Midwest Fire Equip. and Repair Co.

Nobles County: Gov't Center/Family

Services

Papik Motors, Inc

Sanford Health Windom Clinic

Sanford Luverne Medical Center

Sanford Worthington Medical Center

Total Card, Inc

Windom Area Hospital

Windom Hy-Vee

# MINNESOTA LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS 22A & 22B



## **SHIP** strategies

Active LivingHealthy Eating

Tobacco-Free Living

- Schools
- Child CareHealth Care
- Workplace WellnessMultiple Strategies
- Tribal SHIP and Tobacco Grants

To learn more about SHIP, visit www.health.mn.gov/ship.