

Friends of Downtown Northfield 2026 Annual Report

Northfield City Council - May 19th, 2026



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Downtown
Northfield

Overview



Friends of
**Downtown
Northfield**

- Building & Business Owners, Downtown Residents, Institutions, and area residents.
- Founded in 1999 at the Northfield Downtown Development Corp. Transitioned to the Friends in 2021.
- Follows the Main Street America Approach.

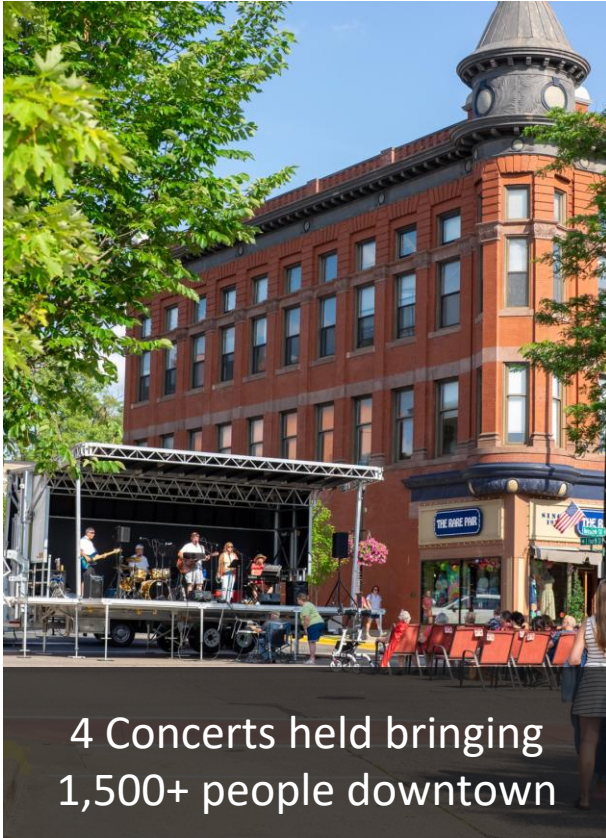
Organizations represented on the FODN Board in the last year:



2025 Activities - Third Thursdays



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4 Concerts held bringing
1,500+ people downtown



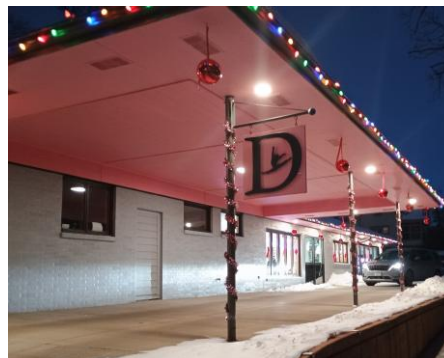
2025 Activities - Merry Microgrants



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In The Dog House; The 2025 Window Display Contest Winner



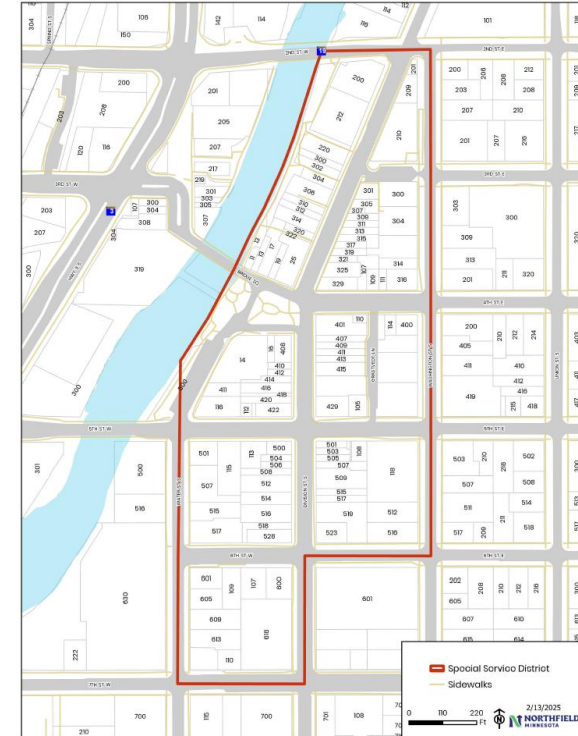
2025 Activities - Special Services District



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CITY OF NORTHFIELD, MN
CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2025-089
RESOLUTION DECLARING ADEQUACY OF PETITION AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING
TO CONSIDER THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 1

- WHEREAS, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sections 428A.01–428A.10, the City is authorized to establish special service districts within its corporate limits; and
- WHEREAS, on August 25, 2025, owners of real property subject to service charges within the proposed Special Service District No. 1 filed with the City Clerk a petition requesting that the City Council set a public hearing to consider the establishment of such a district (the “Petition”) for coordinated snow and trash removal within the proposed district; and
- WHEREAS, a map showing the proposed boundaries of Special Service District No. 1 is attached hereto as Exhibit A; and
- WHEREAS, a copy of the Petition is attached hereto as Exhibit B; and
- WHEREAS, the City Clerk has reviewed the Petition and determined that it complies with the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, Section 428A.08, in that it is signed by owners of at least 25 percent of the land area and 25 percent of the net tax capacity of property proposed to be included in the proposed district; and
- WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes, Section 428A.02 requires the City Council to conduct a public hearing on the proposed district, preceded by mailed and published notice as provided by law.



The original proposed district.

2026 Plan & Activities



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- **Thursday Night Promotions** - promoting later hours of businesses.
- **Pride Flags** - For the streetlights in June.
- **100 Conversations** - Deepening connections with downtown stakeholders.
- **Expanded Fundraising Operations** - setting us up for long-term success.

Third Thursday Street Dance

Bridge Square, Downtown Northfield • 5pm - 8pm

June 18th



Northfield
Community Band
& The Main Thing

July 16th



Jivin Ivan & The Kings
of Swing

August 20th



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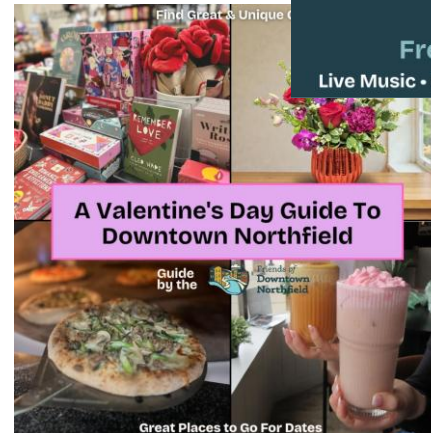
September 17th

To Be Announced

Organized by:

Free Fun For All Ages!

Live Music • Street Dance • Deals • Food & Drinks



The City & Friends of Downtown



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- **Thank you** - Continued support of our Main Street Program.
- **Continued Partnerships** - We are interested in expanding partnerships with staff, Council, & EDA.
- You're Invited to **Third Thursdays**, June-September!



Thank you!



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