

Rice County Investments



Celebrating 30 years of community investments

\$3,869,680

34 LOANS
\$2,586,186

155 GRANTS
\$1,283,494



SMIF AmeriCorps VISTA member Santhi Sheehan has been the third SMIF VISTA placed at Northfield High School's TORCH office through the Northfield Healthy Community Initiative. She works with at-risk high schoolers on a daily basis to help them prepare for college.

Community Support

More vibrant communities

Community Growth Initiatives:

Northfield Arts Guild, Riverwalk Market Fair 2009, 2011
Faribault BioBusiness Community Growth Initiative 2011

One Big Thing Grant

SE MN Together, 2015

Paint the Town Grant

Northfield Union of Youth, 2016

Early Childhood Support

More children ready to learn

Quality Child Care Provider Training, 2016
Early Childhood Dental Network, 2015-2016
Faribault Public Schools, School readiness program-Cannon River Mobile Home Park, 2015
A Chance to Grow, "Southern MN Pre-K Alliance" w/ Tri-City, WEM and Northfield Schools, 2014
Waterville, Elysian & Morristown Home Visiting Program 2007, 2013-2015
Rice County Public Health Home Visiting, 2012, 2013, 2015

AmeriCorps LEAP Sites (Partner—ServeMN)/Reading Rocks! (Partner—ABDO Publishing):

Hand in Hand Preschool, Northfield, 2012—2015
United For Kids, Faribault, 2013, 2014

Literacy Programs

(Partners—ABDO Publishing, Capstone, Scholastic):

Three Rivers Community Action, 2014, 2015, 2016
Northfield ECI at Northfield Community Resource Center Atrium—Reading Oasis Room, 2015
Faribault Kiwanis (Golden), 2014, 2015
Tri-City United Public Schools (2 programs), 2015
New Prague Area Schools, 2015
WEM Public Schools, 2014
Northfield Public Library, 2014
Northfield ECI, 2014

Early Childhood Initiative Community

United For Kids Early Childhood Initiative 2009
Tri-City United Early Childhood Initiative 2009
Waterville Elysian Morristown Early Childhood Initiative 2005
Northfield Early Childhood Initiative 2004

Economic Development Support

More businesses—more jobs

Bio Wood Processing LLC, Faribault, 2012- 2016
Brand Yourself, LLC, Northfield, 2016
Pexa Farms LLC, Lonsdale 2015
Deaf Friendly Biz LLC, Northfield 2015
F-Town Brewing Company, Faribault, 2014
Pinion Pins, Northfield, 2014
Herrmann Law Office PLLC, Lonsdale, 2013
*Globaltech Energy LLC, Faribault, 2013
Golden Years Planning, Northfield, 2013
Brand Yourself LLC, Northfield, 2012, 2013
*AUM Cardiovascular Inc., Northfield, 2011
*Seed Fund/Equity Investment

Grants

NEC "Co-working Incubator—SPUR," 2012
Main Street Project, Northfield "Agripreneur Incubator" 2011

AmeriCorps VISTA

Northfield Healthy Community Initiative, 2013, 2015, 2016
Main Street Project's Sustainable Food and Agriculture Program 2013-2016
WINGS, Northfield, 2012

SCORE County

Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation in partnership with CEDA and DEED hold the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for Region 10, allowing these counties to apply for Economic Development Administration funding at the Federal level.

SMIF FACTS

SOUTHERN MINNESOTA INITIATIVE FOUNDATION INVESTS

VISION

Southern Minnesota will be a prosperous and growing region with vibrant communities, innovative and successful businesses, and a skilled and valued workforce.

MISSION

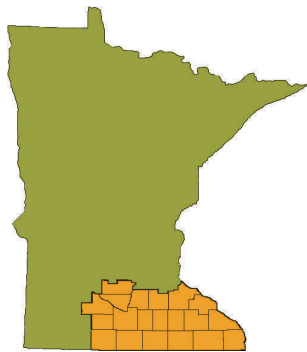
Promote regional economic opportunities and collaborations with a focus on entrepreneurs and early childhood development.

CATALYST FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH

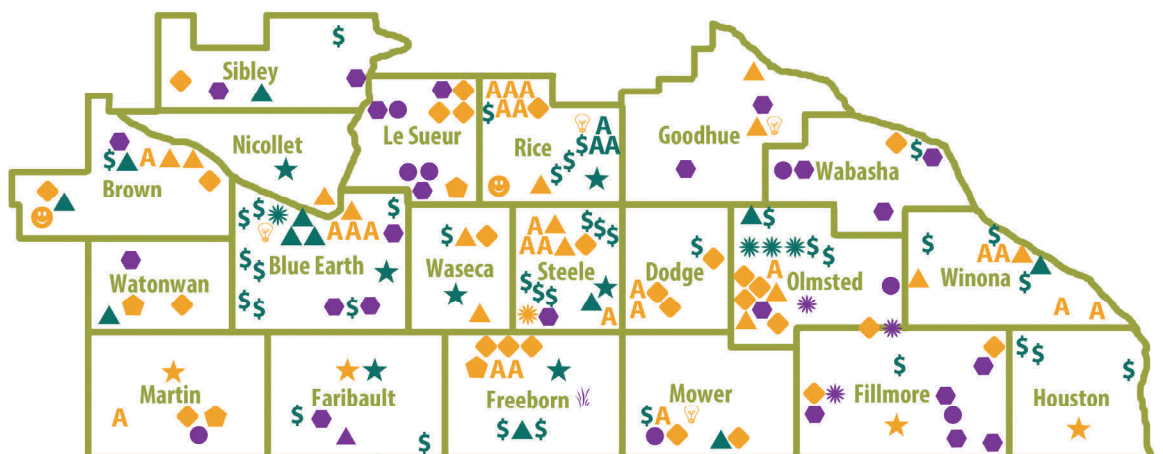
- Invested over \$96.7 million in region since 1986
 - \$41.6 million—programming
 - \$27.4 million—loans
 - \$27.6 million—grants
- Leveraged \$10 for every \$1 in local contributions
- Regional endowment fund exceeds \$34 million
- Awards \$5 million annually through grants, loans, and program support
- Acts as a regional collaborator

FOCUS AREAS:

- **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**
 - Financial Support
 - Business Expertise
- **EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT**
 - Social Emotional Initiatives
 - School Readiness Support
- **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**
 - Community and Designated Funds
 - Farmland Retention



SMIF's 2015 PARTNERSHIPS



- Early Childhood
 - A AmeriCorps LEAP Partner Sites
 - ◆ BookStart Grants
 - 😊 Early Childhood Dental Network
 - ▲ EC Grants
 - ◆ Home Visiting Grants
 - ✱ New ECI Community
 - 💡 Reading Oasis Grants
 - ★ Quality Child Care Program

- Economic Development
 - A AmeriCorps VISTA Sites
 - ▲ ED Grants
 - ✱ Equity Investments
 - \$ Loans
 - ★ SCORE

- Community Development
 - ▲ CD Grant
 - ◆ Community Foundation
 - ✱ Community Growth Initiative
 - Designated Fund
 - ✱ One Big Thing Grant