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Lakeville, Minnesota - Positioned to Thrive

The Thrive! Business Newsletter is intended to provide timely information on new and expanding businesses, information on community business events and monthly development statistics for the City of Lakeville.

To learn more about economic development projects, visit LakevilleMN.gov/developmentmap.

Final Chance to Take Our Lakeville Business Survey!

We're calling on all Lakeville business owners to help us shape the future of Lakeville!

Postcards and reminder letters have been mailed to Lakeville businesses encouraging participation in the National Business Survey. The mailings contain the City's logo, Mayor Luke Hellier's signature and information on how to access the survey. Lakeville businesses can also access the survey by visiting polco.us.



If you have questions, contact our Economic Development Department at 952-985-4420. **The survey closes on September 10.**

Lakeville Business News

The City of Lakeville issued several commercial and industrial building permits in August.

- Action Behavior Center was issued a building permit for an interior remodel at 20890 Kenbridge Court.
- A building permit has been issued to Scenthound for a tenant improvement at 17702 Kenwood Trail.
- The Taco Bell located at 17750 Kenwood Trail was issued a building permit for interior and exterior remodeling.
- A building permit was issued for a tenant build-out of 21601 Galway Lane for Sweet Harvest Foods.

DEED's Workforce Wednesday Webinar

The Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) is hosting a webinar on Wednesday, September 6 about recruiting and retaining a Second

Chance Workforce.

Presenters will discuss both the obstacles and opportunities that come from underemployed and marginalized populations. Hear a panel of employers and subject matter experts discuss available tools, programs and partnerships that will help your organization reach our Second Chance community members.



Learn more and watch previous events at careerforcemn.com.

CEO Next Business Institute Seeking Applicants

CEO Next Business Institute is a regional program that offers business owners an opportunity to learn with their peers from experts, dig deep into how their business functions and develop a skillset for the next phase of growth. Qualifying business owners across Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, Carver and Dakota counties can access this program at no cost thanks to participating counties' investment.



CEO Next has three core offerings:

- System for Integrated Growth: 40–60 hours per participating CEO of intensive, advanced research
- CEO roundtable sessions: eight half-day sessions for the CEOs of selected core companies
- CEO forum events: eight sessions for participating CEOs and other second- stage companies

Participants can include privately held businesses in Dakota, Carver, Hennepin, Ramsey and Scott counties who are ready to transition from small to large (past start-up stage but not yet mature) with 10–99 employees, revenue between \$1M and \$50M, and an appetite and aptitude for growth.

Program sessions will take place from November 2023 through June 2024. Learn more about CEO Next Business Institute [online](#) and [apply now!](#)

Enterprise Minnesota Seeks Participants for 2023 State of Manufacturing Events

Enterprise Minnesota is conducting its 15th year of the State of Manufacturing survey. Results from the survey will be published in the winter issue of *Enterprise Minnesota* magazine.

A number of focus group conversations are being held in September and October, both in-person and online. Interested businesses can register to participate at enterpriseminnesota.org.



Businesses Asked to Submit Annual Stormwater Maintenance Annual Inspection Documents by September 15

Does your business have a stormwater pond, rain garden or similar stormwater practice onsite? If so, the City has been trying to contact you! All businesses with onsite stormwater practices implemented since 2013 are required to submit annual

inspections ensuring stormwater practices are functioning as designed.

Inspection documentation must be submitted to the Environmental Resources Department via the [City's reporting website](#). This is a legal requirement stipulated within your site's Stormwater Maintenance Agreement, and if inspections are not submitted by September 15, the City reserves the right to inspect, maintain and repair stormwater practices, with all costs being assessed to the property.



For guidance on this requirement, please contact Kelly Perrine, Environmental Resources Specialist via [email](#) or by calling 952-985-4524.

Register to Attend Smart Salt Training on October 25

The City of Lakeville needs your help in protecting local waterbodies! Did you know that it only takes 1 teaspoon of salt to permanently pollute 5 gallons of water, and that once present in water, salt cannot be removed?

The City is balancing public safety and the environment in our winter operations by calibrating salt distribution equipment, requiring all employees that perform winter maintenance activities to be annually trained on chloride reduction techniques and by tracking deicing salt usage.



Do your part and learn how to save money used to deice parking lots, sidewalks and service roads while maintaining public safety by attending a free Smart Salting Certification Training on October 25. Lunch is provided.

WHAT: Free training for individuals who perform winter maintenance

WHEN: October 25 from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

WHERE: Empire Maintenance Facility, 2800 160th Street West, Rosemount

Register to attend by October 6 at pca.state.mn.us.

Building Permits Report

The City has issued building permits with a total valuation of \$205,283,561 through August. This compares to a total valuation of \$187,086,675 for building permits issued through August of 2022.

The City issued permits for 224 single-family homes through August with a total valuation of \$64,978,000. This compares to 273 single-family home permits through August of 2022 with a total valuation of \$78,352,000.



The City has also issued 103 townhome permits with a total valuation of \$21,682,000 through August, compared to 199 townhome permits with a total valuation of \$41,648,000 during the same period in 2022. The City has issued nine apartment permits through August, totaling 252 units, with a total valuation of \$21,600,000.

Lakeville is currently ranked #2 in year-to-date Twin Cities residential building permits, according to Housing First Minnesota.

[Visit LakevilleMN.gov for more information on year-to-date building permit totals \(PDF\).](#)
