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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 LakevilleBusiness.com/developmentmap.

Lakeville Business News

Somatic Healing & Alignment held a ribbon cutting ceremony on November 8. The new business is located at 8500 210th Street West, Suite 120 and offers massage and somatic touch therapy.

McDonald Eye Care Associates celebrated its 40th Anniversary with an open house on November 8. The business is located at 20094 Kenwood Trail and offers eye exams, vision evaluations, vision therapy and more.

A ribbon cutting ceremony was held during the Lakeville Chamber of Commerce Women's Symposium on November 14 for **SOAR Search Corporation** and **House of Colour**.

Allina Health Lakeville North Clinic has opened at 17489 Dodd Boulevard and held a ribbon cutting ceremony on November 17. The new clinic offers primary care and specialty services, including eye care, mental health and retail eye services.

Panda Express held a grand opening celebration and ribbon cutting ceremony on November 28. The new restaurant with drive-thru is open at 18455 Kenrick Avenue and serves American Chinese cuisine.

Scenthound is open at 17702 Kenwood Trail #104 and celebrated with a ribbon cutting on December 1. The new business offers dog grooming and routine care services.

In other business news...

Crystal's Cuddle Bugs Childcare and Preschool is open at 20044 Kenwood Trail and offers care for infants



through school age children.

Gold Tree Flower Shop is open at 16285 Ipava Avenue and sells floral arrangements and gifts.

Idioma Coffee Roastery has opened in downtown Lakeville at 20769 Holyoke Avenue and sells fresh roasted coffee.

Mother Earth Motors is open at 16079 Buck Hill Road and offers pre-owned electric vehicles for sale.

You Glow Girl has opened at 17400 Kenwood Trail, Suite 204 and offers anti-aging treatments.



Lakeville Works Hosts 2nd Annual Teacher Tour

The City of Lakeville recently partnered with the Lakeville Chamber of Commerce to host a "Made in Lakeville" Teacher Tour on November 15 as part of the **Lakeville Works** program.

The 2nd annual teacher tour provided 24 Independent School District 194 teachers a bus tour of the industrial park and surrounding areas, as well as a walking tour of the Highview Elementary School construction project to learn about construction-related careers and BTM Manufacturing to learn about careers in manufacturing.



Lakeville Works' mission is to create awareness of in-demand careers in the Lakeville community.

GreenStep Spotlight: Hearth and Home Technologies

Brought to you by the **City of Lakeville's Environmental Resources** department:

Hearth and Home Technologies (HHT) located in Lakeville is leading the way in two of their most important corporate goals, reducing energy usage by half by 2035 and reducing the waste they send to landfill.



HHT is working on projects to identify and reduce waste and find new recycling opportunities. In 2022 all their manufacturing facilities completed waste mapping exercises and conducted energy audits to improve efficiency and reduce waste. Baseline data identifies the simple opportunities they can target to continue to reduce and improve.

They implemented projects that reduce overall energy for all facilities by approximately 5,390,000 kwh per year, through activities like LED lighting improvements, motion sensors and compressed air system efficiencies. This overall reduction is equal to the average consumption of 500 American homes a year.

HHT's waste reduction statistics are also noteworthy. Projects to divert from the landfill or eliminate approximately 525 tons of waste were implemented in 2022. This is equal to the waste generated by 587 average Americans per year.

When asked about how businesses can create replicable green initiatives for their business, HHT said starting with an understanding of your businesses impact is the best place to begin, such as baseline energy usage, or material usage and waste. Focusing on energy or recycling are places we can all make a difference and save money. Establishing metrics or usage tracking will make it much easier to track achievement and reward progress.

Two keys for developing a culture of sustainability are having a commitment from senior leadership and empowerment to make better choices. And, the inclusion of team members' ideas—elevating big and small—adding up to something great.

Building Permits Report

The City has issued building permits with a total valuation of \$248,349,157 through November. This compares to a total valuation of \$312,121,790 for building permits issued through November of 2022.

The City issued permits for 293 single-family homes through November with a total valuation of \$85,810,000. This compares to 314 single-family home permits through November of 2022 with a total valuation of \$89,846,000.

The City has also issued 150 townhome permits with a total valuation of \$31,895,000 through November, compared to 215 townhome permits with a total valuation of \$45,005,000 during the same period in 2022. The City has issued nine apartment permits through November, 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 \(PDF\).](#)

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