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Mission Statement

The mission of St. Louis County is to provide to its people those services mandated and/or expected by its citizens so as to provide a good quality of life.

St. Louis County's Service Strategy

"Working Together, Serving People"

St. Louis County Characteristics

Located in Northeastern Minnesota at the tip of Lake Superior, St. Louis County is geographically the largest county east of the Mississippi River. It is the home of 200,500 people living in small mining towns, farm communities, and busy cities, with an average of 32 people per square mile.

St. Louis County encompasses 7,092 total square miles. Of those miles, 6,226 square miles are land area and the remaining 866 square miles are water. As the "crow flies," it is the same distance to go from Duluth to St. Paul (136 miles) as from Duluth to the NW corner of St. Louis County (135 miles).

St. Louis County is larger than the District of Columbia (61 square miles) and some states including Rhode Island (1,045 square miles), Delaware (1,954 square miles) and Connecticut (4,845 square miles). Within the state, St. Louis County is larger than the combined land areas of the following counties: Anoka, Benton, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Isanti, Le Sueur, Nicollet, Ramsey, Rice, Scott, Sherburne, Waseca, Washington and Wright.

County Organization and Information

Minnesota is one of a minority of states whose form of government is state managed and county administered. This means that many government services are provided by the county, rather than the state. The 2010 St. Louis County operating budget is \$326,734,490 which allows the county to carry out high quality yet efficient services to citizens in the areas of planning and zoning, land management, solid waste, public works, public health, human services, criminal justice, economic development and general government services. The County Board approved a levy of \$107,428,991 for 2010 in county property tax dollars for these services, which represents a 1.3% increase over 2009. The 2010 St. Louis County budget includes 1,701 full-time equivalent employees. Of the total 2010 operating budget, \$151,220,941, or 46% of the total budget, is designated for personnel related costs.

Budget Objectives

The budget objectives allow St. Louis County to provide quality services in a cost-effective manner to keep the property tax rate among the lowest in the state. Objectives include:

Accountability: Maintain fiscal discipline and budgetary sustainability

Transparency: Improve allocation of resources in accord with Board priorities

Continuation of Services: Improve efficiency of expenditures and focus on core services

More budget information is available by visiting:
www.stlouiscounty.org/budget.

Commissioners' Priority Areas

Strong County Infrastructure

Health & Well-Being of County Citizens

Healthy Local Economy

Healthy, Viable Ecosystem

Effective, Efficient Government

More information on progress in each area is available at the Online Performance Data gallery, visit:
www.stlouiscounty.org/performance.



Duluth Courthouse



Virginia Courthouse



Hibbing Courthouse

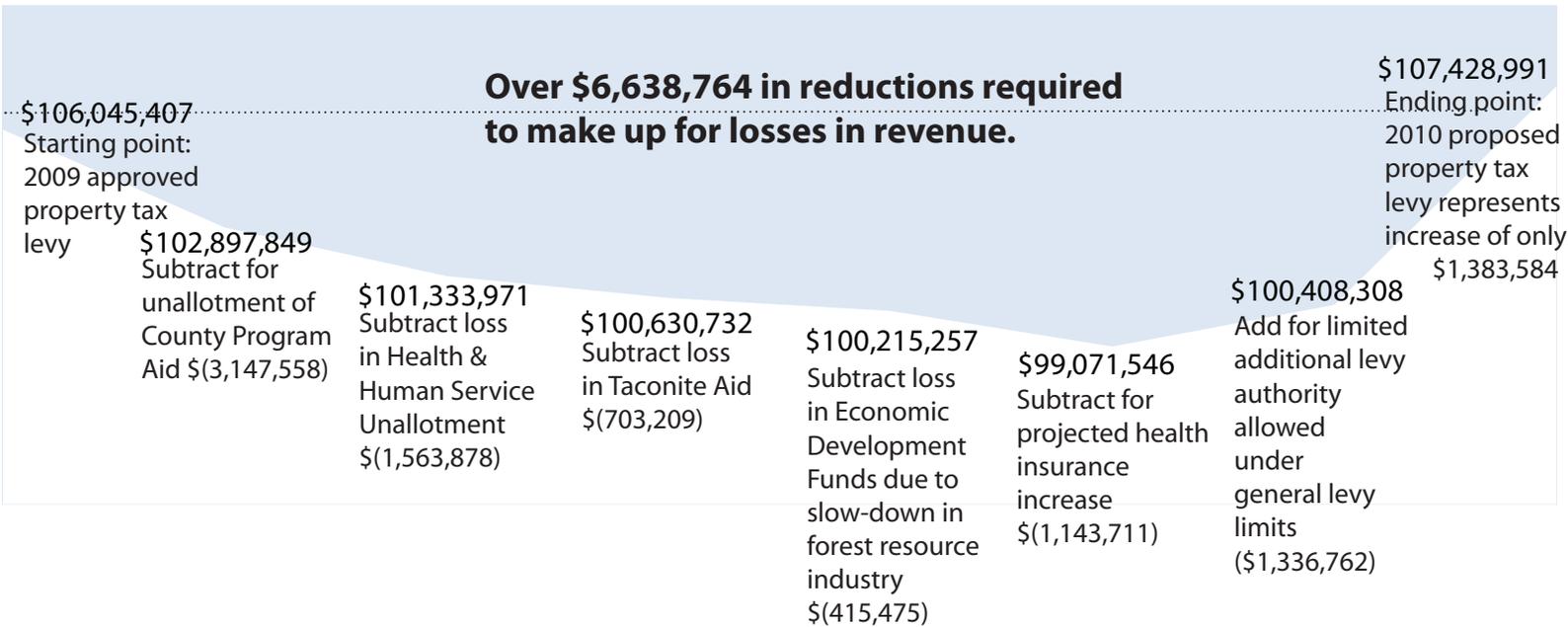
County Commissioners

District 1	Dennis Fink
District 2	Steve O'Neil
District 3	Chris Dahlberg
District 4	Mike Forsman
District 5	Peg Sweeney
District 6	Keith Nelson
District 7	Steve Raukar

Impact of Levy Limits & State Reductions

2010 Budget Constraints

Impacts on 2010 Budget: \$6,638,764 in Reductions Required



Key Budget Strategies

Minimize Property Tax Increase: Based on 2010 market values, the St. Louis County portion of a citizens' property taxes should be flat or reduced from the 2009 level. St. Louis County diligently worked to keep its proposed property tax increase for 2010 low in response to the challenges residents are facing in the current economy. The 2010 proposed budget includes an increase of 1.30% in property tax revenue or \$1,383,584.

Focus on Core, Mandated Services: St. Louis County, like organizations and businesses throughout the country, has experienced uncertainty in its main revenue sources during 2009 due to the present economic challenges. These challenges require ongoing review and prioritization of core, mandated services and continued strategic realignment and reform in many departments and programs. Where evaluation has shown that others in the community could provide the non-mandated, non-core services, the transition of these County services has occurred. Both the Assisted Living Program and Chris Jensen Health & Rehabilitation Center were transitioned to other providers in 2009.

Estimate Full Costs: Departments budget for actual, anticipated costs and include a 2-year forecast. Department budgets reflect inflationary increases including necessary expenses such as gas, diesel, food costs, electricity, and natural gas. Inflation significantly impacts the County budget.

Reduce Reliance on Other Revenues: The County's Land Department earns revenues on tax forfeit land and timber sales from these properties. With the current housing market crisis, both sales categories are down and the 2010 proposed budget for the general fund does not rely on support from the Land Department. Net revenues will be apportioned out but we have not budgeted up front for their impact. Another example is the County Recorder, who collects fees for documents recording. With the downturn in the real estate market we have seen a reduction in filings and have had to reduce the portion of Recorder's fees that are used to improve technology and invest in Geographic Information System (GIS) development.

Ensure the health of County funds: The County monitors the assets, liabilities, and equity balances of its various funds. During 2009, management reviewed these funds to review equity balances. In some cases, charges to funds were reduced resulting in a cost savings and a reduction in the 2010 levy in the other funds. While changes in revenue streams during the calendar year are unexpected, St. Louis County is conducting additional research and planning in order to be prepared for these potential further reductions.

The County's Budget

Adopted 2010 Budget

Where do our property tax dollars go?



About the Budget Process

The Budget process provides the County Board and its management staff an opportunity to annually re-examine the services provided within the County. It is a lengthy comprehensive process that begins early each year.

January – March:

Initial budget instructions released following initial meetings with the Board Chair, Chair of Finance and County Administration.

April-May:

Departments develop & submit baseline budgets for mandated services and recommend strategies to deal with budget challenges.

June-August:

Administration works through multiple iterations of Department budgets and develops a budget recommendation with guidance from County Commissioners.

September:

County Commissioners certify the maximum levy that they will set in December at the September 9 Board Meeting. By establishing a maximum levy and preliminary budget in September, the County Board has opportunities for final refinements based on public input.

October-November:

Public budget meetings are scheduled for December 3 at the County Courthouse in Virginia and December 10 at the County Courthouse in Duluth. Additional board workshops for budget revisions, as needed.

December:

County Commissioners approve the 2010 Operating and Capital Budget by resolution at the December 15th Board Meeting.

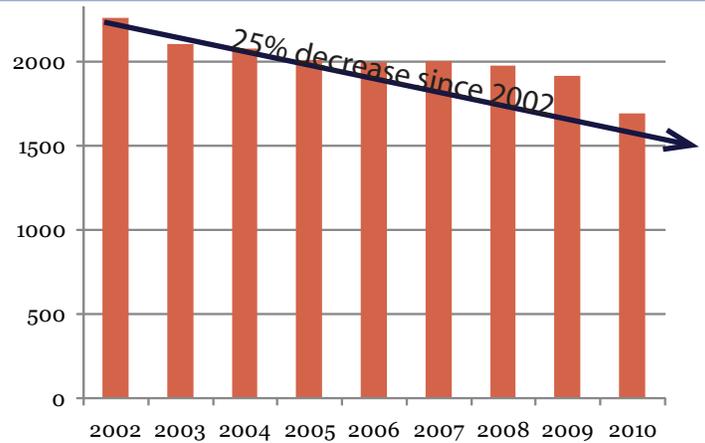
The County's Budget

Adopted 2010 Budget (continued)

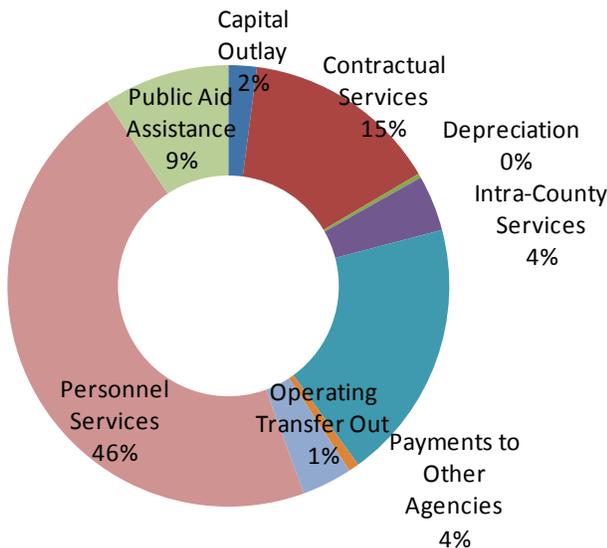
Personnel History

The number of Full Time Employees (FTEs) has steadily decreased over the last six years, largely due to the budget strategy of lowering personnel costs by reducing vacant positions in each department.

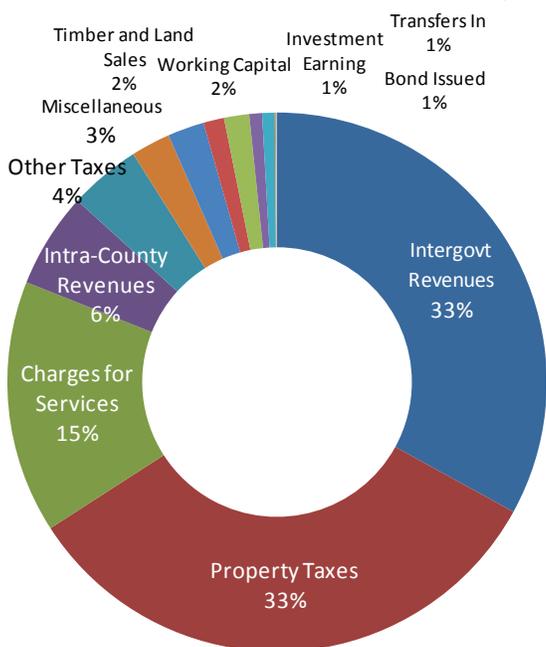
Through attrition and retirements nearly every department has reduced its personnel compliment. For the 2010 budget, the documented reduction is largely due to the County Board decision to lease the operations of the Chris Jensen Health & Rehabilitation Center. Although no longer County employees, the majority of those working at Chris Jensen were offered and retained their positions with the new provider.



Primary Government Sources of Revenue & Functional Expenses



Activity	2010 Expenses
Personnel Services	151,220,941 (46.3%)
Materials	62,382,593 (19.1%)
Contractual Services	47,199,666 (14.5%)
Public Aid Assistance	30,231,078 (9.3%)
Intra-County Services	13,377,642 (4.1%)
Payment to Other Agencies	12,088,101 (3.7%)
Capital Outlay	6,755,371 (2.1%)
Operating Transfers Out	2,471,503 (0.8%)
Depreciation	1,007,536 (0.3%)
TOTAL	\$326,734,490



Source	2010 Revenue
Intergovernmental Revenues	107,803,376 (33.0%)
Property Taxes	107,428,991 (32.9%)
Charges for Services	49,546,267 (15.2%)
Intra-County Revenues	18,650,050 (5.7%)
Other Taxes	14,075,095 (4.3%)
Miscellaneous	7,693,216 (2.4%)
Timber and Land Sales	7,160,000 (2.2%)
Working Capital	4,907,907 (1.5%)
Earnings on Investment	4,077,685 (1.2%)
Bond Issued	2,508,750 (0.8%)
Transfers In	2,471,503 (0.8%)
Fines and Forfeitures	241,000 (0.1%)
Licenses and Permits	159,650 (0.0%)
Gifts and Contributions	11,000 (0.0%)
TOTAL	\$326,734,490

More budget information is available on the web:

www.stlouiscounty.org/budget



Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: December 15, 2009 Resolution No. 566
Offered by Commissioner: Nelson

BUDGET AND LEVY RESOLUTION
FISCAL YEAR 2010

A. County-wide Levy (Non-debt)

Fund 100 General Fund	43,127,445	
Fund 184 County Extension	799,008	
Fund 200 Road & Bridge Fund	20,294,411	
Fund 230 Public Health & Human Services	33,217,290	
Fund 400 Capital Projects-Courthouse	1,330,264	
Fund 405 Capital Project - Road & Bridge	477,876	
Fund 407 Capital Project - Road & Bridge Equipment	325,687	
		<u>\$ 99,571,981</u>

B. Regional Levy (Non-debt)

Fund 100 General Fund - Arrowhead Regional Library	789,411	
		<u>\$ 789,411</u>

C. Debt Service funds (County-wide)

Fund 302 Hibbing PW Facility	85,131	
Fund 309 Capital Improvement Bond 2004A	1,247,608	
Fund 311 Capital Improvement Bond 2005A	450,844	
Fund 312 Law Enforcement Refunding Bond 2005B	442,155	
Fund 313 - Capital Imp Cross Ref Bonds 2006A	1,132,097	
Fund 314 Capital Equipment Notes 2007	1,394,003	
Fund 315 2008 Capital Improvement Notes 2008A	837,244	
Fund 316 2008 Capital Equipment Bonds 2008B	1,110,123	
		<u>\$ 6,699,205</u>

D. Enterprise fund (County-wide)

Fund 616 - ISTS	368,394	
		<u>\$ 368,394</u>
		<u><u>\$ 107,428,991</u></u>



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Total Use of Assets

Total Source of Assets

		Total Use of Assets				Total Source of Assets				
		Adopted Expenditures	697600 Transfers Out	311201 Accumulation of Fund Balance	Total	500100 Property Tax Levy	Other Revenue	590100 Transfers In	311202 Use of Fund Balance	Total
GENERAL FUND	100 General Fund	81,389,881	989,205	127,289	82,506,374	(43,916,856)	(37,192,253)	(1,221,028)	(176,237)	(82,506,374)
	150 Sheriff's Nemesis Fund Group	507,420	-	-	507,420	-	(468,005)	-	(39,415)	(507,420)
	159 Attorney-CS-Mod Filing Fee	-	-	-	-	-	(2,500)	-	2,500	-
	166 Sheriff Fine Contingency	70,000	-	-	70,000	-	(70,000)	-	-	(70,000)
	167 Attorney's Forfeitures	10,000	-	35,000	45,000	-	(45,000)	-	-	(45,000)
	168 Sheriff's State Forfeitures	65,000	-	-	65,000	-	(65,000)	-	-	(65,000)
	169 Attorney Trust Accounts	5,000	-	-	5,000	-	(5,000)	-	-	(5,000)
	170 Boundary Waters-Forfeiture	48,000	-	-	48,000	-	(48,000)	-	-	(48,000)
	171 Controlled Substances	35,000	-	-	35,000	-	(35,000)	-	-	(35,000)
	173 Emergency Shelter Grant	110,000	-	-	110,000	-	(110,000)	-	-	(110,000)
	179 Enhanced 9-1-1	415,000	-	-	415,000	-	(415,000)	-	-	(415,000)
	180 Law Library	258,573	15,680	-	274,253	-	(220,000)	-	(54,253)	(274,253)
	183 City/County Communications	200,000	-	-	200,000	-	(200,000)	-	-	(200,000)
	184 Extension Service	859,062	-	-	859,062	(799,008)	(26,750)	-	(33,304)	(859,062)
		83,972,935	1,004,885	162,289	85,140,109	(44,715,864)	(38,902,508)	(1,221,028)	(300,709)	(85,140,109)
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	200 Public Works	39,524,117	-	-	39,524,117	(20,294,411)	(18,712,855)	(315,638)	(201,213)	(39,524,117)
	210 Road Maint - Unorg Townships	225,070	-	-	225,070	-	(225,070)	-	-	(225,070)
	220 State Road Aid	41,285,783	-	-	41,285,783	-	(41,285,783)	-	-	(41,285,783)
	230 Public Health & Human Services	78,529,723	-	-	78,529,723	(33,217,290)	(45,306,924)	(5,509)	-	(78,529,723)
	240 Forfeited Tax	6,383,101	-	1,023,642	7,406,743	-	(7,350,000)	(56,743)	-	(7,406,743)
	250 St. Louis County HRA	434,094	-	-	434,094	-	(202,195)	-	(231,899)	(434,094)
	260 CDBG Grant	4,900,000	-	-	4,900,000	-	(4,900,000)	-	-	(4,900,000)
	261 CDBG Program Income	150,000	-	-	150,000	-	(150,000)	-	-	(150,000)
	270 Home Grant	1,880,000	-	-	1,880,000	-	(1,880,000)	-	-	(1,880,000)
	280 Federal Septic Loan - EPA Fund	32,090	-	-	32,090	-	(9,600)	-	(22,490)	(32,090)
	290 Forest Resouces	1,363,750	200,000	-	1,563,750	-	(640,000)	(679)	(923,071)	(1,563,750)
		174,707,729	200,000	1,023,642	175,931,370	(53,511,701)	(120,662,427)	(378,569)	(1,378,673)	(175,931,370)

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DEBT SERVICE	302	Hibbing PW Facility 1997	85,131	-	-	85,131	(85,131)	-	-	-	(85,131)
DEBT SERVICE FUNDS	309	Capital Improve Bonds 2004A	1,211,813	-	59,410	1,271,222	(1,247,608)	-	-	(23,614)	(1,271,222)
	310	AJC Refunding Bonds 2004C	175,950	-	-	175,950	-	-	-	(175,950)	(175,950)
	311	Capital Improve Bonds 2005A	535,755	-	21,469	557,224	(450,844)	-	-	(106,380)	(557,224)
	312	Law Enforce Refund Bonds 2005B	492,250	-	21,055	513,305	(442,155)	-	-	(71,150)	(513,305)
	313	Cap Imp Cross Ref Bonds 2006A	1,299,188	-	53,910	1,353,097	(1,132,097)	-	-	(221,000)	(1,353,097)
	314	Capital Equipment Notes 2007	1,400,600	-	66,381	1,466,981	(1,394,003)	-	-	(72,978)	(1,466,981)
	315	Capital Equipment Notes 2008A	797,375	-	39,869	837,244	(837,244)	-	-	-	(837,244)
	316	Capital Improve Bonds 2008B	1,057,260	-	52,863	1,110,123	(1,110,123)	-	-	-	(1,110,123)
			7,055,321	-	314,956	7,370,277	(6,699,205)	-	-	(671,072)	(7,370,277)
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS	400	County Facility	1,440,000	-	-	1,440,000	(1,330,264)	(109,736)	-	-	(1,440,000)
	402	Depreciation Reserve Fund	-	-	443,379	443,379	-	-	(443,379)	-	(443,379)
	405	Public Works Building Const	495,000	-	-	495,000	(477,876)	(17,124)	-	-	(495,000)
	407	Public Works - Equipment	325,687	-	-	325,687	(325,687)	-	-	-	(325,687)
	437	2008A Capital Equipment Note	2,508,750	-	-	2,508,750	-	(2,508,750)	-	-	(2,508,750)
			4,769,437	-	443,379	5,212,816	(2,133,827)	(2,635,610)	(443,379)	-	(5,212,816)
PERMANENT FUND	500	Shoreline Sales	-	285,600	-	285,600	-	-	-	(285,600)	(285,600)
			-	285,600	-	285,600	-	-	-	(285,600)	(285,600)
ENTERPRISE FUNDS	600	Enviromental Services	10,102,278	-	-	10,102,278	-	(6,426,185)	(14,055)	(3,662,038)	(10,102,278)
	616	On-Site Waste Water Division	679,091	-	-	679,091	(368,394)	(163,697)	(147,000)	-	(679,091)
	625	Chris Jensen Health & Rehab	703,942	200,000	-	903,942	-	-	-	(903,942)	(903,942)
	626	Cap Exp/Operations Account	200,000	-	-	200,000	-	-	(200,000)	-	(200,000)
	640	Plat Books	1,000	-	750	1,750	-	(1,750)	-	-	(1,750)
			11,686,311	200,000	750	11,887,061	(368,394)	(6,591,632)	(361,055)	(4,565,980)	(11,887,061)
INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS	700	Printing	826,658	-	-	826,658	-	(738,232)	-	(88,426)	(826,658)
	705	Postage Office Supplies	845,000	-	-	845,000	-	(845,000)	-	-	(845,000)
	715	County Garage	2,028,517	-	-	2,028,517	-	(1,610,730)	(67,472)	(350,315)	(2,028,517)
	720	Property Casualty Liability	384,129	597,830	-	981,958	-	(80,000)	-	(901,958)	(981,958)
	730	Workers Compensation	3,355,575	-	-	3,355,575	-	(3,349,640)	-	(5,934)	(3,355,575)
	740	Medical Dental Insur	28,703,522	183,189	2,239,148	31,125,859	-	(31,125,859)	-	-	(31,125,859)
	750	Management Info Systems	4,394,712	-	-	4,394,712	-	(4,005,018)	-	(389,694)	(4,394,712)



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INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS	760 Telecommunications	1,533,142	-	-	1,533,142	-	(1,379,432)	-	(153,710)	(1,533,142)
		42,071,254	781,018	2,239,148	45,091,421	-	(43,133,911)	(67,472)	(1,890,037)	(45,091,421)
Total		324,262,987	2,471,503	4,184,164	330,918,655	(107,428,991)	(211,926,089)	(2,471,503)	(9,092,072)	(330,918,655)

**2010
Projected
Budget**

General Fund

Policy & Management

Board of Commissioners	1,111,324
Aid to Other Agencies-Econ Dev	190,975
Aid to Other Agencies-Other	11,516,928
Administration	2,796,613
Intergovernmental Affairs	260,834
Labor Relations	88,000
	15,964,674

Planning and Development

Planning & Development	2,123,467
	2,123,467

Administration

Veterans Service Officer	777,293
Mine Inspector	327,581
Safety and Risk Management	569,009
	1,673,883

Property Management

Property Management	7,742,996
	7,742,996

Purchasing

Purchasing	417,568
	417,568

Auditor

Auditor	4,824,458
Elections	402,135
	5,226,593

Reserve for Retired Employees

Ret Employee Health Ins/Payoff	1,053,832
	1,053,832

Employee Relations

Employee Relations	1,696,139
Employee Development & Wellness	319,770
	2,015,909

Attorney

County Attorney	6,768,418
	6,768,418

Assessor

Assessor	2,222,489
	2,222,489



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Recorder	
Recorder	3,031,694
	<u>3,031,694</u>
Communications	
Emergency Communications	3,976,936
Radio Maintenance	677,517
	<u>4,654,453</u>
Commitment Representation	
Commitment Representation	73,060
	<u>73,060</u>
Sheriff	
Sheriff	13,186,705
Boat & Water Safety	122,014
Medical Examiner	495,100
Emergency Management	253,779
Rescue Squad	171,621
Law Enforcement Services	1,032,921
Jail Prisoners	11,824,151
	<u>27,086,292</u>
Courts	
Court Administrator	1,040,595
Examiner of Titles	141,167
	<u>1,181,763</u>
Public Works	
Surveyor	965,828
	<u>965,828</u>
MIS	
Microfilming	176,166
	<u>176,166</u>
Total Expenses	<u>82,379,085</u>
Means of Financing	
Property Taxes	(43,916,856)
Other Taxes	(6,050,694)
Licenses and Permits	(121,150)
Intergovernmental Revenues	(11,801,793)
Charges for Services	(5,621,294)
Fines and Forfeitures	(16,000)
Investment Earnings	(3,000,000)
Gifts and Contributions	(5,000)
Miscellaneous	(1,231,419)
Intra-County Revenues	(9,344,904)
Others	(1,221,028)
Total Revenues	<u>(82,330,137)</u>
Total General Fund	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	<u>48,948</u>



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MN Extension Service

MN Extension Service	
MN. Extension Services/S.L.C	646,620
MN. Extension Service - Grants	17,575
Youth Task Force	194,867
	<u>859,062</u>
	<u>859,062</u>

Total Expenses

Means of Financing

Property Taxes	(799,008)
Charges for Services	(20,750)
Gifts and Contributions	(6,000)

Total Revenues

(825,758)

Total MN Extension Service
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance

33,304

Emergency Shelter Grant

Emergency Shelter Grant	
SLC-Essential Service - ESG	110,000
	<u>110,000</u>
	<u>110,000</u>

Total Expenses

Means of Financing

Intergovernmental Revenues	(110,000)
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Total Revenues

(110,000)

Total Emergency Shelter Grant
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance

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Other General Fund

Fund 150 Nemesis	
Nemesis	507,420
	<u>507,420</u>
Fund 166 Sheriff's Fine Contingency	
Sheriff Fine Contingency	70,000
	<u>70,000</u>
Fund 168 Sheriff State Forfeitures	
Sheriff's State Forfeitures	65,000
	<u>65,000</u>
Fund 170 Boundary Waters - Forfeitures	
Boundry Waters-Forfeiture	48,000
	<u>48,000</u>
Fund 171 Controlled Substances	
Controlled Substances	35,000
	<u>35,000</u>
Fund 179 Enhanced 911	
Enhanced 9-1-1	415,000
	<u>415,000</u>



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Fund 180 Law Library

Law Library	181,208
Hibbing Law Library	45,760
Virginia Law Library	47,285
	274,253

Fund 183 City County Communications

Emergency Communications	200,000
	200,000
Attorney's Forfeitures	10,000
Attorney Trust Accounts	5,000
	15,000
	1,629,673

Total Expenses

Means of Financing

Intergovernmental Revenues	(437,000)
Charges for Services	(613,505)
Fines and Forfeitures	(225,000)
Investment Earnings	(35,000)
Miscellaneous	(263,000)

Total Revenues

(1,573,505)

Total Other General Fund

Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance

56,168

Public Works

Administration & Engineering	5,843,773
Road Maintenance	13,209,118
Equipment and Shops	5,340,666
Road Construction - County	6,840,283
Non-Departmental Revenue	480,398
PW Inventory Control	7,809,879
Road Maint-Unorg Townships	225,070
Road Construction - State	41,285,783

Total Expenses

81,034,970

Means of Financing

Property Taxes	(20,294,411)
Other Taxes	(7,280,087)
Licenses and Permits	(34,000)
Intergovernmental Revenues	(47,471,957)
Charges for Services	(1,067,700)
Miscellaneous	(4,369,965)
Others	(315,638)

Total Revenues

(80,833,757)

Total Public Works

Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance

201,213



Public Health & Human Services

Administration	10,466,785
Financial	15,382,116
Social Services	47,837,843
Public Health Nursing	3,935,402
Public Health Administration	732,850
Environmental Health	174,728
Total Expenses	78,529,723
Means of Financing	
Property Taxes	(33,217,290)
Other Taxes	(2,012)
Intergovernmental Revenues	(40,131,702)
Charges for Services	(4,509,160)
Miscellaneous	(664,050)
Others	(5,509)
Total Revenues	(78,529,723)
Total Public Health & Human Services	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	-

Land Department

Land - Administration	3,441,116
290 Qualifying Expenses	2,941,985
Total Expenses	6,383,101
Means of Financing	
Timber and Land Sales	(7,160,000)
Miscellaneous	(190,000)
Others	(56,743)
Total Revenues	(7,406,743)
Total Land Department	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	(1,023,642)

Other Special Revenue Funds

HRA - Home Administration	81,899
HRA Administration	352,195
	434,094
Total Expenses	434,094
Means of Financing	
Other Taxes	(202,195)
Total Revenues	(202,195)
Total Other Special Revenue Funds	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	231,899



Comm Devel Block Grant

Planning and Development	
CDBG Administration	4,900,000
CDBG Projects	150,000
Total Expenses	5,050,000
Means of Financing	
Intergovernmental Revenues	(4,900,000)
Miscellaneous	(150,000)
Total Revenues	(5,050,000)
Total Comm Devel Block Grant	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	-

Home Grant

Home Projects	1,800,000
Home CHDO Projects	80,000
Total Expenses	1,880,000
Means of Financing	
Intergovernmental Revenues	(1,800,000)
Miscellaneous	(80,000)
Total Revenues	(1,880,000)
Total Home Grant	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	-

Septic Loans

Federal Septic Loan - EPA	32,090
Total Expenses	32,090
Means of Financing	
Miscellaneous	(9,600)
Total Revenues	(9,600)
Total Septic Loans	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	22,490

Forest Resources

Memorial Forests	1,563,750
Total Expenses	1,563,750
Means of Financing	
Other Taxes	(540,000)
Intergovernmental Revenues	(100,000)
Others	(679)
Total Revenues	(640,679)
Total Forest Resources	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	923,071



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Debt Service Funds

Hibbing PW Facility	85,131
Capital Improvement Bond 2004	1,211,813
AJC Refunding Bond 2004C	175,950
Capital Improvement Bond 2005	535,755
Law Enforcement Refunding Bond	492,250
Cap Imp Crossover Refund	1,299,188
2007 Capital Equipment Note	1,400,600
Capital Equipment Notes 2008A	797,375
Capital Improve Bonds 2008B	1,057,260
Total Expenses	<u>7,055,321</u>
Means of Financing	
Property Taxes	(6,699,205)
Total Revenues	<u>(6,699,205)</u>
Total Debt Service Funds	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	<u>356,116</u>

Capital Projects Funds

Court House - Capital Projects	1,440,000
Road & Bridge Build Constr	495,000
Public Works-Equipment	325,687
2008A Capital Equipment Note	2,508,750
Total Expenses	<u>4,769,437</u>
Means of Financing	
Property Taxes	(2,133,827)
Other Taxes	(108)
Intergovernmental Revenues	(52,024)
Miscellaneous	(74,728)
Other Financing Sources	(2,508,750)
Others	(443,379)
Total Revenues	<u>(5,212,816)</u>
Total Capital Projects Funds	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	<u>(443,379)</u>

Environmental Services

Administration-Environmental Se	2,036,417
Recycling - Score	1,592,997
Canister	1,016,294
Transfer Stations	1,786,291
Demolition Fill	260,508
Household Hazardous Waste	344,606
Regional Landfill	3,065,166
ISTS	679,091
Total Expenses	<u>10,781,369</u>



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Means of Financing	
Property Taxes	(368,394)
Licenses and Permits	(4,500)
Intergovernmental Revenues	(548,900)
Charges for Services	(4,962,297)
Investment Earnings	(675,685)
Miscellaneous	(398,500)
Others	(161,055)
Total Revenues	(7,119,331)
 Total Enviromental Services	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	3,662,038
 <u>Chris Jensen Heath & Rehab Cen</u>	
Jensen Nursing Home	903,942
Cap Ex/Operations Account	200,000
Total Expenses	1,103,942
 Means of Financing	
Others	(200,000)
Total Revenues	(200,000)
 Total Chris Jensen Heath & Rehab Cen	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	903,942
 <u>Plat Books</u>	
Plat Books	1,000
Total Expenses	1,000
 Means of Financing	
Miscellaneous	(1,750)
Total Revenues	(1,750)
 Total Plat Books	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	(750)
 <u>Printing</u>	
Printing	826,658
Total Expenses	826,658
 Means of Financing	
Intra-County Revenues	(738,232)
Total Revenues	(738,232)
 Total Printing	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	88,426



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County Garage/Motor Pool

County Garage - Motor Pool	1,214,497
MP Inventory Control	814,020
Total Expenses	<u>2,028,517</u>
Means of Financing	
Charges for Services	(759,665)
Miscellaneous	(19,500)
Intra-County Revenues	(831,565)
Others	(67,472)
Total Revenues	<u>(1,678,202)</u>
Total County Garage/Motor Pool	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	<u>350,315</u>

Property Casualty Liability

Property Casualty Liability	981,958
Total Expenses	<u>981,958</u>
Means of Financing	
Charges for Services	(5,000)
Investment Earnings	(75,000)
Total Revenues	<u>(80,000)</u>
Total Property Casualty Liability	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	<u>901,958</u>

Workers Compensation

Workers Compensation	3,355,575
Total Expenses	<u>3,355,575</u>
Means of Financing	
Intergovernmental Revenues	(450,000)
Investment Earnings	(172,000)
Intra-County Revenues	(2,727,640)
Total Revenues	<u>(3,349,640)</u>
Total Workers Compensation	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	<u>5,934</u>

Medical Dental Insurance

Medical/Dental Self Insurance	28,886,711
Total Expenses	<u>28,886,711</u>
Means of Financing	
Charges for Services	(31,005,859)
Investment Earnings	(120,000)
Total Revenues	<u>(31,125,859)</u>
Total Medical Dental Insurance	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	<u>(2,239,148)</u>



Management Info Systems

MIS Administration	4,294,712
MIS Capital	100,000
Total Expenses	4,394,712
Means of Financing	
Charges for Services	(56,512)
Miscellaneous	(240,704)
Intra-County Revenues	(3,707,801)
Total Revenues	(4,005,018)
Total Management Info Systems	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	389,694

Telecommunications

Telecommunication Admn	1,533,142
Total Expenses	1,533,142
Means of Financing	
Charges for Services	(79,524)
Intra-County Revenues	(1,299,908)
Total Revenues	(1,379,432)
Total Telecommunications	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	153,710

Other Internal Service Funds

Postage/Office Supplies	845,000
	845,000
Total Expenses	845,000
Means of Financing	
Charges for Services	(845,000)
Total Revenues	(845,000)
Total Other Internal Service Funds	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	-

Permanent Fund

Shoreline Sales Trust	285,600
Total Expenses	285,600
Means of Financing	
Total Revenues	
Total Permanent Fund	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	285,600
Total Expenses	326,734,491
Total Revenues	(321,826,583)
Total Use of Fund Balance	4,907,907



COUNTY-WIDE

1. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the county board hereby authorizes spending within departmental budgets on any line item within a department so long as the total budget is not overspent. However, no public aid assistance and/or personnel services budget authority may be used for any other purpose without prior board approval.
2. RESOLVED FURTHER, that at year's end any unpaid 2009 encumbrances will be carried forward into the 2010 expenditure budget.
3. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the 2009 unspent balances of grants which extend into 2010 will be carried forward into 2010 as increases to that revenue and expenditure budget.
4. RESOLVED FURTHER, that proceeds from the insurance fund for losses of covered property or proceeds from the sale by bid of damaged assets will be reimbursed to the department involved and the revenue and expenditure budget be increased accordingly.
5. RESOLVED FURTHER, that each appropriation, except an appropriation within the Capital Project Funds, lapses at the close of the fiscal year to the extent that it has not been expended or encumbered.
6. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the county board authorizes the county auditor to continue to reserve portions of fund balances for cash flow purposes in an amount equal to 5/12 of the 2010 levy, plus the 2010 County Program Aid.
7. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the county board authorizes the county auditor to use the designated for Retiree Obligations portion of the fund balance in the governmental funds to pay for any retiree obligations that are not budgeted.
8. RESOLVED FURTHER, that 100% of the estimated retiree obligations (vested sick leave) and 100% of vesting sick leave amounts are designated as of December 31, 2009 for governmental funds.
9. RESOLVED FURTHER, that in order to achieve consistent and accurate staffing levels for each department, the county board authorizes the county administrator to report the personnel complement as full-time equivalents. The county board also authorizes department heads, with the approval of the county administrator, to add and delete positions within their personnel complement so long as the total full-time equivalent personnel complement does not exceed the total number of authorized positions contained in their 2010 budget as approved by the county board. The county administrator shall give such approval only if he/she determines that there are no reasonable alternatives to filling the position.
10. RESOLVED FURTHER, that increases to the original governmental funds revenue and expenditure budgets cannot be made without County Board approval.
11. RESOLVED FURTHER, that proceeds from the sale by bid of equipment that would otherwise be used in trade against the purchase price of new equipment be added to the budget by increasing both the capital outlay and the revenue budgets of the owning department by the amount of the sale.



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12. RESOLVED FURTHER, that beginning January 1, 2010, a change in the medical insurance premium will be implemented for all non-represented employees and elected officials enrolled. All non-represented employees and elected officials who are enrolled under single coverage will be responsible for \$49.73 per month of the total single premium cost. All non-represented employees and elected officials whose current share for family coverage is 20/80 and who enroll under family coverage, will be responsible for \$223.96 per month of the total family premium cost and all non-represented employees and elected officials whose current share for family coverage is 30/70 and who enroll under family coverage, will be responsible for \$311.08 per month of the total family premium cost. In addition, any non-represented employees, who work on a part-time basis, will be required to contribute a pro-rated portion of the employer contribution, based on hours worked.
13. RESOLVED FURTHER, that all employees and elected department heads who are not represented by a collective bargaining agreement shall receive no cost of living salary increase effective for 2010 payroll year.
14. RESOLVED FURTHER, the following positions are eliminated from the 2010 department budgets:

Department	Position Code	Position Title	FTE
PHHS	0016-043	Social Worker	-1.00
PHHS	0016-033	Social Worker	-1.00
PHHS	0011-065	Social Worker	-1.00
Environmental Services	0421-087	Informational Specialist II	-1.00
Environmental Services	0888-005	Environmental Health Specialist	-1.00
Property Management	0066-019	Janitor	-1.00
Property Management	(pending)	Janitor	-1.00
Property Management	0074-006	Bldg Maint Helper	-1.00
Property Management	0411-031	Informational Specialist I	-1.00
Purchasing	0896-001	Buyer I	-1.00
Sheriff	G955-069	Deputy Sheriff	-1.00
Employee Relations	0420-070	Information Specialist II	-1.00
Chris Jensen	Various	Various	-185.50
Assisted Living	Various	Various	-16.00
Property Management	0067-014	Building Maintenance Worker	-1.00
PHHS	0432-005	Information Specialist II	-1.00
MIS	0583-001	Systems Analyst Programmer	-1.00
TOTAL POSTIONS			-216.50



GENERAL FUND

Non-Departmental Revenues

15. RESOLVED FURTHER, whereas the county receives federal program revenues as reimbursement of indirect costs incurred by the General Fund, and whereas those revenues on future remittances may not always be separately identified from specific county department revenues at the time of payment, that when federal program revenues are earned jointly by the general government and a specific department, and earnings are not separately identified at the time of payment, revenues shall be allocated between the General Fund and the specific department in the same proportion as federal program costs. Such allocation shall be made at the time quarterly settlement payments are received.

Board of Commissioners

16. RESOLVED FURTHER, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2006, Section 375.055, subdivision 1, notice is given that the county board sets the compensation for county commissioners on an annual basis at \$ 55,573.83 effective January 1, 2010, which reflects no salary increase for the 2010 payroll year. Any commissioner may choose a lesser amount upon written notification to the county auditor before December 31, 2009.
17. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the chair of the county board will continue to receive an additional payment as in the past. This amount is set at \$1500 for 2010.
18. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the salaries of county commissioners shall be published in one newspaper in the county in a municipality to be determined by the county auditor, in addition to the official newspaper, as required by law.

Administration

19. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the county administrator will hold county departments accountable for progress in designated priority areas through the regular monitoring of performance measures and outcomes.

Aid to Other Agencies

20. Arrowhead Regional Corrections
RESOLVED FURTHER, St. Louis County's share of the Arrowhead Regional Correction's 2010 budget is the following:

2010 Budgeted Amount	\$10,156,168
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21. RESOLVED FURTHER, that \$361,183 of St. Louis County's share of funding for ARC will be in a separate contract designated for the continuation of the Drug Courts in partnership with the State of Minnesota Sixth Judicial District which will include reimbursement for 1.0 Public Health and Human Services Social Worker. In addition, \$105,451.29 is allocated to Drug Courts which will reimburse deputy sheriff support. Drug Court funding is contingent upon a formal contract with Administration.



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22. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the 2010 administrative budget includes funding allocations for FY 2010 for grants to the following agencies within the Aid to Other Agencies Account:

St. Louis County Historical Society (103003-690200)	\$261,686
Historical Society/Range Affiliates (103020-690900)	6,000
Community Fairs (103005-690400)	1,000
County Fair, Hibbing (103006-690500)	12,806
South St. Louis County Fair, Proctor (103007-690600)	12,806
Arrowhead Library System (103016-694500)	789,411
Range Women's Advocates (103022-629900)	28,000
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Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Costs (103024-629900)	100,000
Duluth Port Authority (102005-691600)	35,585
North Shore Management Board (102008-695100)	2,500
St. Louis County Promotional Bureau (102006-690300)	54,178
Veterans' Memorial Hall (102004-690200)	56,912
Duluth Airshow (102010-695100)	10,000
TOTAL	\$1,370,884

23. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the County Administrator will be responsible for monitoring the results achieved by outside agencies through the use of performance measures.

Employee Relations

24. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Health Insurance Fund (Fund 740, Agency 740002) will reimburse the Health Education Wellness Agency (Fund 100, Agency 126002) for actual eligible expenditures that occur in 2010 up to the budgeted amount of \$119,189.

25. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Health Insurance Fund (Fund 740, Agency 74002) will reimburse Employee Relations (Fund 100, Agency 123001) for staff time spent administering the self-insured health and dental programs and administrative support to the Health Insurance Committee. \$45,000 is to reimburse for the Employee Relations Benefits Manager position and \$19,000 is to reimburse other eligible staff time.



Recorders Office

26. Technology Fund

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a transfer of up to \$250,000 from the Recorder's Technology Fund (121002) to the Planning Department for Geographic Information Systems (GIS) activities (109003) for 2010 is approved, contingent on the Recorder's Technology Fund revenues.

27. Integrated Fund

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a transfer of the following from the Recorder's Integrated Fund (121003) for Geographic Information Systems (GIS) activities is approved, contingent on adequate 2010 revenues, to Recorder's Integrated Fund revenues:

Planning Department GIS (109003) Personnel Budget	\$295,826
911 Communications (135003) Personnel Budget	89,995
Auditor's Office (115015) Personnel Budget	69,179
Total	\$455,000

Planning and Development

28. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Planning and Development Department is authorized to expend designated reserves to continue Geographic Information System (GIS) activities and specifically parcel layer development. (Fund 100, Object 311122)

29. RESOLVED FURTHER, that revenue in excess of expenditures related to the Planning and Development Department GIS (109003) will be designated for GIS in the General Fund Fund Balance.

Auditor

30. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the county auditor is directed to make changes in departmental budgets to comply with this resolution.

Sheriff

31. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the St. Louis County Board authorizes \$150,000 for continuation of the Discharge Planning Pilot Program. Funding of \$150,000 will be deposited in Fund 100, Agency 137003, Object 629000 to fund the Social Worker/coordinator position (through a contract with PHHS) and eligible expenses. Funding contingent on quarterly reporting and County position contingent on renewed funding in 2011.



SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Public Health and Human Services

32. RESOLVED FURTHER, that authorization is given for the 1.0 FTE position approved as part of the 2009 budget resolution for the Discharge Planning Pilot Program coordination to be created as a Social Worker (MSW) in Public Health and Human Services, reimbursed by a contract with the Sheriff's Office.

33. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the 2010 Public Health and Human Services budget (Fund 230, Agency 232044, Object 608000) includes funding for the following public service grants. These grants total \$410,619 as listed below:

Valley Youth Center (now includes Copeland Community Center)	\$ 25,295
Life House	1,825
Minnesota Program Development	8,208
Arrowhead Center	66,878
Ely Community Resources	4,560
St. Louis County on Aging	43,412
AEOA - RSVP (combined with Meals on Wheels)	24,967
AEOA - Senior Services	3,186
Safe Haven Shelter for Battered Women	10,040
Range Women's Advocates	3,040
AEOA - Lives in Transition	3,040
Legal Aid of NE Minnesota	66,878
Indian Legal Assistance	9,120
Sexual Assault Program of North St. Louis County	18,993
PAVSA	27,274
Lake Superior Community Health Center	9,120
Salvation Army	7,296
Bethany Crisis Nursery	15,200
First Witness	27,968
Elder Services Network	24,319
United Way of Greater Duluth (211 Information & Referral activities)	10,000

TOTAL:

\$410,619
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Public Works

34. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the unspent balances of those public works projects that fall under agency 203000 Road Construction - County can be carried forward into the next calendar year.

Land Department

35. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the auditor is authorized to bill the Land Department (Fund 240) for 2010 services it will receive as follows:

Legal services from the Attorney's Office	\$127,379
Accounting services charges	33,427
Personnel services from the Employee Relations	55,214
Purchasing services from the Purchasing Department	20,493
Rent	63,313
Dataprocessing	133,284
Telecommunications	23,903
Data Comm	21,310
Employee Training	9,236
Safety and Risk Management	17,242
Administration	31,764
TOTAL	\$536,565

Forest Resources

36. RESOLVED FURTHER, to authorize the transfer of \$50,000 from the Forest Resources Fund, Fund 290, Forest Recreation, Agency 290002, to the Regional Railroad Authority for the Mesabi Trail Project.
37. RESOLVED FURTHER, that qualified expenses of the Land Department Fund 240 can be transferred to Fund 290.

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

38. RESOLVED FURTHER, that each Capital Projects Fund (Fund 400) will have an appropriation which shall continue in force until the purpose for which it was made has been accomplished or abandoned. The purpose of a capital expenditure appropriation is abandoned if three years pass without a disbursement from or encumbrance of the appropriation, or earlier, at the discretion of the county administrator.
39. RESOLVED FURTHER, that at the end of 2009 any increase in net assets due from operations (net of revenues and expenditures) for each county-owned building will be transferred into Fund 402, (Depreciation Reserve Fund). These funds will be utilized to fund capital improvements to all county facilities.



40. RESOLVED FURTHER, that Fund 407 is established for Public Works capital equipment and any balance can be carried forward each year.

INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS

Management Information Systems

41. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Microfilm Division of MIS is transferred to the County Recorder effective January 1, 2010. This includes 2.0 FTE positions. 2.0 FTE positions will stay with MIS Document Services Division.

ENTERPRISE FUNDS

Environmental Services

42. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the auditor is authorized to bill the Environmental Services Department (Fund 600) for 2010 services it will receive as follows:

Legal services from the Attorney's Office	\$63,105
Accounting services from the Auditor's Office	17,106
Personnel services from the Employee Relations Department	36,810
Purchasing services from the Purchasing Department	30,547
Rent	12,373
Dataprocessing	70,350
Telecommunications	12,042
Data Comm	7,695
Employee Training	6,157
Safety and Risk Management	11,495
Administration	21,176
TOTAL	\$288,856

Plat Books

43. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Plat Book Fund formerly Fund 710 will be changed to Fund 640 an enterprise fund effective January 1, 2010.

PERMANENT FUNDS

Shoreline Sales

44. RESOLVED FURTHER, that a transfer of \$147,000 for the on-site wastewater program is authorized from the Shoreline Sales/Environmental Trust Fund (Fund 500, Agency 500001) for continued On-Site Wastewater operations (Fund 616, Agency 616001).



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45. RESOLVED FURTHER, that a grant payment of \$18,600 to Midway Township from the Shoreline Sales/Environmental Trust Fund (Fund 500, Agency 500001) is authorized beginning in 2010 and continuing for 10 years.

46. RESOLVED FURTHER, that, the following budgeted transfers between funds be approved.

From Object 697600	To Object 590100	Purpose	Amount
100-121002 Technology Fund	100-109003 Plan & GIS Research	GIS Planning	250,000
100-121003 Data Integration Fund	100-109003 Plan & GIS Research	GIS Planning	295,826
100-128000 Property Management	402-402001 Depreciation Reserve Fund	Excess revenues from rent payments fund depreciation reserve	443,379
180-181001 Hibbing Law Library	100-113008 Attorney Law Library	Res. 359 - 7/1/08	7,840
180-182001 Virginia Law Library	100-113008 Attorney Law Library	Res. 359 - 7/1/08	7,840
290-290002 Forest Resources	100-109002 General	Planning Department for GIS	200,000
500-500001 Shoreline Sales	100-109010 General	Soil and Water Conservation District South	60,000
500-500001 Shoreline Sales	100-109011 General	Soil and Water Conservation District North	60,000
500-500001 Shoreline Sales	616-616001 Onsite WW Program	Fund On-Site Wastewater Program	147,000
500-500001 Shoreline Sales	100-103025 Midway Township Sewer	Grant to Midway Township	18,600
625-625001 Chris Jensen	626-626001 Cap Ex/Operations Account	Transfer per Chris Jensen contract with HDG	200,000
720-720001 Property Casualty Ins	100-129003 Sheriff	2007 base year use to rebate \$597,829 in 2010	122,956



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720-720001 Property Casualty Ins	200-205003 Public Works	2007 base year use to rebate \$597,829 in 2010	315,638
720-720001 Property Casualty Ins	100-122001 Surveyor	2007 base year use to rebate \$597,829 in 2010	12,089
720-720001 Property Casualty Ins	100-128001 Property Management	2007 base year use to rebate \$597,829 in 2010	2,688
720-720001 Property Casualty Ins	230-230099 Public Health Human Services	2007 base year use to rebate \$597,829 in 2010	5,509
720-720001 Property Casualty Ins	240-240001 Land Department	2007 base year use to rebate \$597,829 in 2010	56,743
720-720001 Property Casualty Ins	290-290001 Memorial Forest	2007 base year use to rebate \$597,829 in 2010	679
720-720001 Property Casualty Ins	600-600001 Environmental Services	2007 base year use to rebate \$597,829 in 2010	14,055
720-720001 Property Casualty Ins	715-715001 Motor Pool - Garage	2007 base year use to rebate \$597,829 in 2010	67,472
740-740002 Health Insurance Admin	100-126002 Health Education Wellness	To reimburse Health Education Wellness up to the \$119,189	119,189
740-740002 Health Insurance Admin	100-123001 Employee Relations	To reimburse Employee Relations for staff time spent on the Health Insurance Fund	64,000
Total			2,471,503

Commissioner Nelson moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:

Division of the question:

Budget & Levy Resolution – except adjustments to St. Louis County Historical Society and Veterans’ Memorial Hall

Yeas – Commissioners O’Neil, Dahlberg, Forsman, Sweeney, Nelson, Raukar, and Chair Fink - 7

Nays – None

Adjustments to St. Louis County Historical Society and Veterans’ Memorial Hall

Yeas – Commissioners O’Neil, Dahlberg, Forsman, Sweeney, Nelson, and Raukar – 6

Nays – Chair Fink - 1

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

I, DONALD DICKLICH, Auditor of the County of St. Louis, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in my office on the 15th day of December, A.D. 2009, and that this is a true and correct copy.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Duluth, Minnesota, this 15th day of December, A.D., 2009

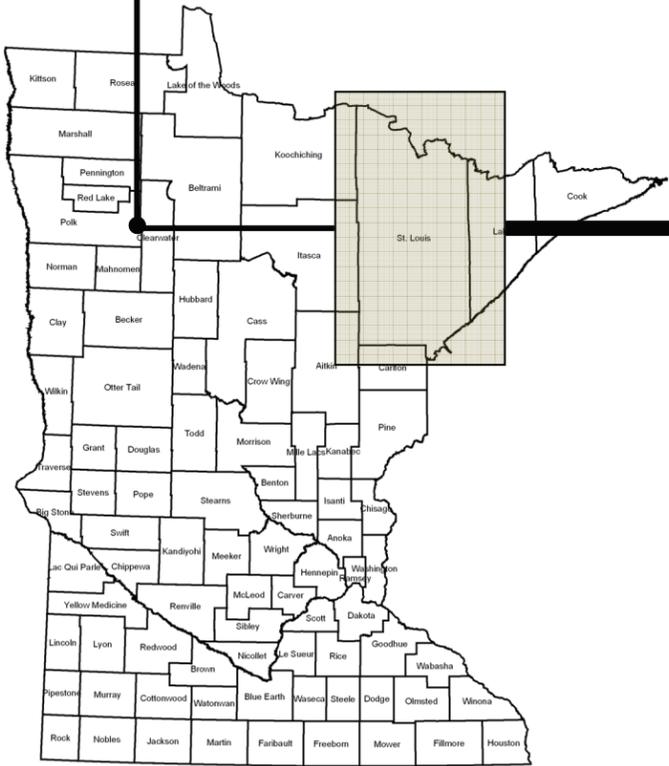
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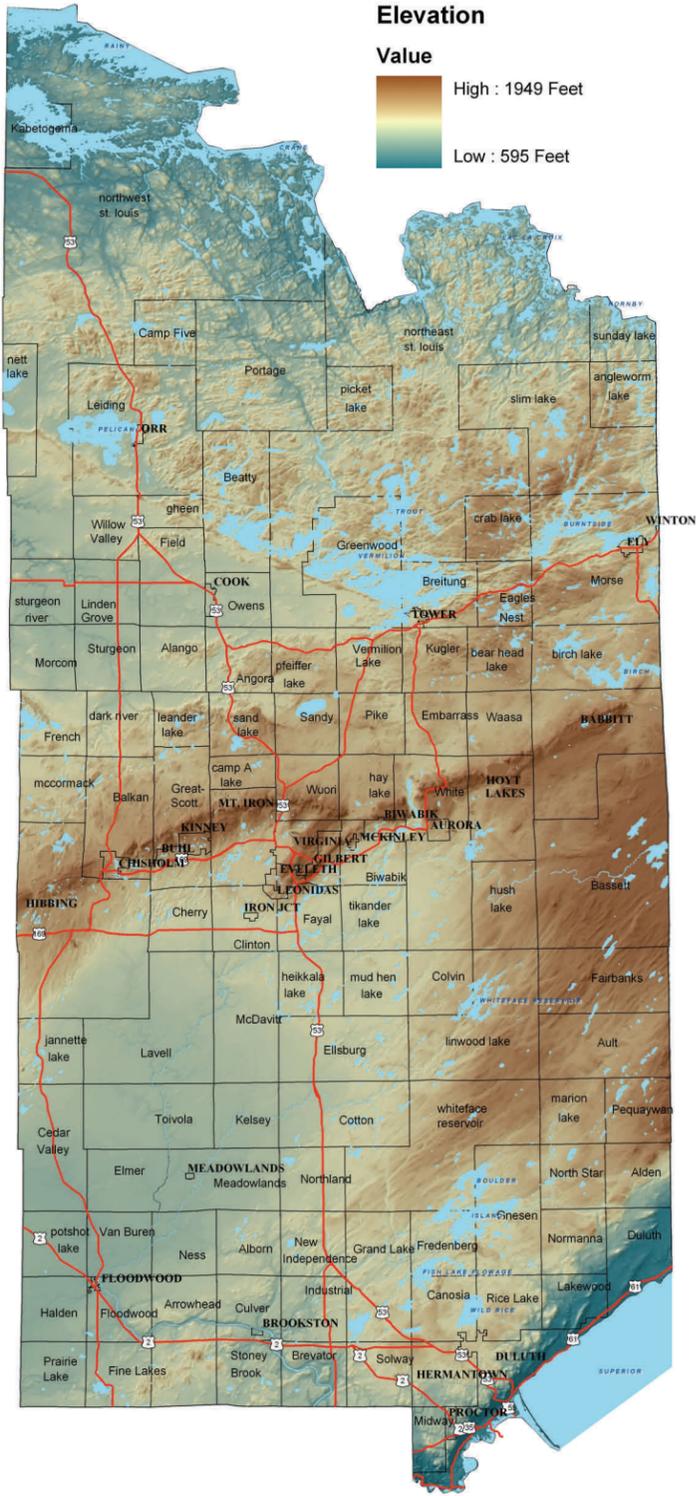
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Location of St. Louis County

Census Report Mapping and Facts



Mapping by: St. Louis County Planning Department, 2003



2008 Budget Mapping and Facts
 St. Louis County Planning Department



St. Louis County

At a Glance

Climate

Comfort Index ¹	Value	
Duluth	51	
Hibbing	48	
Minneapolis	38	
Chicago	33	
U.S. Average	34	

Higher values indicates a more comfortable climate.

Average Minimum & Maximum Temperature F ²		
January	Minimum	Maximum
Duluth Airport	-1.2	17.9
Hibbing Airport	-5.3	15.9
July		
Duluth Airport	54.6	76.3
Hibbing Airport	54.7	77.1

Temperature Extremes F ³	Min (1-day)	Max (1-day)
Duluth Airport	-39	106
Hibbing Airport	-50	100

Average Annual (inches) ⁴	Rainfall	Snowfall
Duluth Airport	31.0	84.3
Hibbing Airport	26.8	61.9

Labor Force

Average Yearly Employment by Industry		
Census 2000	Average Yearly Employment	Percent (% of Total)
Educational, Health, & Social Services	24,151	25.7
Retail Trade	12,264	13.0
Arts, Entertainment, Recreation, Accommodation, and Food Services	9,521	10.1
Manufacturing	7,342	7.8
Transportation/Warehousing, & Utility	6,114	6.5
Construction	5,590	5.9
Ag., Forestry, Fishing/Hunting, Mining	5,365	5.7
Professional, Scientific, Management, Administrative, & Waste Management	4,902	5.2
Other Services (except public admin)	4,696	5.0
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate, and Rental and Leasing	4,310	4.6
Public Administration	4,350	4.6
Wholesale Trade	2,891	3.1
Information	2,599	2.8
Total Employed	94,095	100.0

Source: U.S. Census Bureau. www.census.gov
¹ Comfort Index, Sperling's Best Places. www.bestplaces.net. Higher values indicate a more comfortable climate. The Comfort Index uses a combination of afternoon summer temperature and humidity to closely predict the effect that the humidity will have on people.
² Temperature Summary, 1971-2000 NCDC Normals.
³ Temperature Extremes, Duluth Period of Record 1898-2001, Hibbing Period of Record 1962-2001

About St. Louis County

Located in Northeastern Minnesota, St. Louis County shares its northern boundary with Canada and its southern boundary with Lake Superior. The county is known for its natural beauty of vast forests and lakes.

In 1856, St. Louis County was established in the Territory of Minnesota. The county was named for the St. Louis River, which had been named by the French explorer Verendrye in honor of being awarded the order of St. Louis by the King of France in 1749.

St. Louis County residents are scattered throughout the area in small mining towns, tourism destinations, farm communities, and regional hubs. Major industries in St. Louis County are mining, wood and paper products, shipping and transportation, health care, education and tourism.

Duluth is the largest city and is the county seat. Duluth has both an international airport and international seaport.

County Commissioners	7 Elected
Commissioner Terms	4-Years
County Seat	Duluth
2006 Budget	\$282 million
Jurisdictions ⁶	126
Cities	24
Organized Townships	72
Unorganized Townships	28
Square Miles (U.S. Census Bureau Estimate)	6,860 Sq. Miles
Land sq. miles: 6,225	
Water sq. miles: 635	
Number of Lakes	1,040
Largest City	Duluth 86,319

⁴ Precipitation, 1971-2000 NCDC Normals
⁵ Includes St. Louis County, Minnesota and Douglas County, Wisconsin
⁶ The jurisdictions used for this report are the 2000 Census Minor Civil Division (MCD) breakouts. St. Louis County Auditors lists fewer MCD jurisdictions due to the 2000 Census breakout of various larger tracks of unorganized townships in northern St. Louis County

Demographics

Population	2000	% Change 1990-2000
St. Louis County	200,528	1.2
Duluth	86,319	1.0
Hibbing	17,071	-5.4
Virginia	9,157	-2.7
Hermantown	8,047	19.0
Duluth-Superior MSA ⁵	243,815	1.6
Race	Population	Percent
One Race	197,827	98.7
White	190,211	94.9
Black or African American	1,704	0.8
American Indian/Alaska Native	4,074	2.0
Asian	1,333	0.7
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Is.	54	0.0
Other	451	0.2
Two or More Races	2,701	1.3
Hispanic or Latino	1,597	0.8
Median Age (years)	39.0	↑ 2.9 years
Total Households	82,619	100.0
Family Households	51,374	62.2
Non-family Households	31,245	37.8
Housing Units	95,800	100.0
Occupied Units	82,619	86.2
Vacant Units	13,181	13.8
for seasonal, recreational use	8,896	9.3
Occupied Housing Units	82,619	100.0
Owner-Occupied	61,683	74.7
Renter-Occupied	20,936	25.3
Poverty	Population	Percent
Poverty Status for Families	3,731	7.2
Poverty Status for Individuals	23,211	12.1
Income	Income (\$)	% Change 1990-2000
Median Household Income	\$36,306	50.7
Median Family Income	\$47,134	51.3

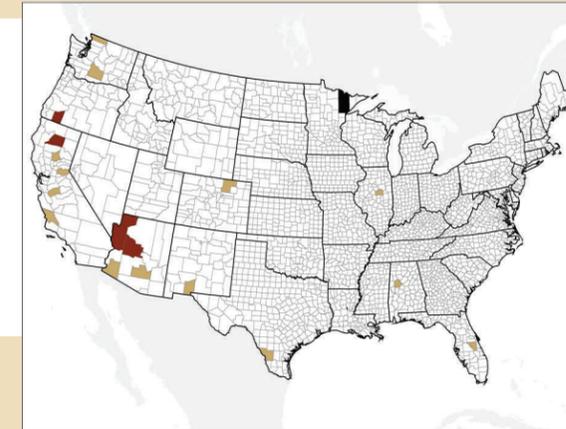
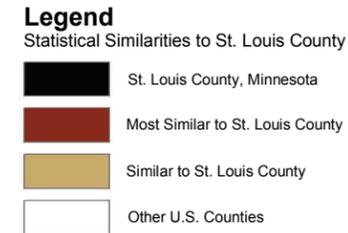


U.S. County Demographic Comparison

Most Similar to St. Louis County

U.S. Counties Demographically Similar to St. Louis County

The following chart lists U.S. counties most similar statistically to St. Louis County of the 3,142 counties and/or equivalents across the United States. To determine similarities with other U.S. counties, all counties with populations between 150,000-250,000 and densities below 150 persons per square mile were identified and selected. To further break down the list, counties highlighted below are most similar statistically to St. Louis County of within this filtered group once median household income, percent minority, poverty rate and others were examined.



St. Louis County Comparison

By Population and Density to U.S. Counties

Parameters: County Population 150,000-250,000 and Persons Per Square Mile Under 150

	Population		Land Area Square Miles, 2000	Persons Per Square Mile, 2000	Percent Minority, 2000	Percent Population 65 and Over, 2000	Median Household Income, 1999	Percent Below Poverty, 1999	Home- ownership Rate, 2000	Percent Change in Private Nonfarm Employment 1990-1999
	2000	% Growth 1990-2000								
 Most Similar to St. Louis County										
San Luis Obispo County, California	246,681	13.6	3,304	74.7	15.4	14.5	\$42,428	12.8	61.5	19.4
Yakima County, Washington	222,581	17.9	4,296	51.8	34.4	11.2	\$34,828	19.7	64.4	18.5
Merced County, California	210,554	18.0	1,929	109.2	43.8	9.5	\$35,532	21.7	58.7	12.4
Butte County, California	203,171	11.6	1,639	123.9	15.5	15.8	\$31,924	19.8	60.7	14.0
St. Louis County, Minnesota	200,528	1.2	6,225	32.2	5.1	16.1	\$36,306	12.1	74.7	24.7
Webb County, Texas	193,117	44.9	3,357	57.5	17.8	7.6	\$28,100	31.2	65.7	50.9
Jackson County, Oregon	181,269	23.8	2,785	65.1	8.4	16.0	\$36,461	12.5	66.5	28.7
Weld County, Colorado	180,936	37.3	3,992	45.3	18.3	9.0	\$42,321	12.5	68.6	50.5
Pinal County, Arizona	179,727	54.4	5,370	33.5	29.6	16.2	\$35,856	16.9	77.4	42.1
Dona Ana County, New Mexico	174,682	28.9	3,807	45.9	32.2	10.6	\$29,808	25.4	67.5	36.9
Osceola County, Florida	172,493	60.1	1,322	130.5	22.8	11.4	\$38,214	11.5	67.7	43.5
Yavapai County, Arizona	167,517	55.5	8,123	20.6	8.1	22.0	\$34,901	11.9	73.4	75.5
Whatcom County, Washington	166,814	30.5	2,120	78.7	11.6	11.6	\$40,005	14.2	63.4	30.3
Tuscaloosa County, Alabama	164,875	9.6	1,324	124.5	31.9	11.3	\$34,436	17.0	63.5	39.1
Shasta County, California	163,256	11.0	3,785	43.1	10.7	15.2	\$34,335	15.4	66.1	3.0
Yuma County, Arizona	160,026	49.7	5,514	29.0	31.7	16.5	\$32,182	19.2	72.3	36.6
El Dorado County, California	156,299	24.1	1,711	91.4	10.3	12.4	\$51,484	7.1	74.7	43.6
Mohave County, Arizona	155,032	65.8	13,312	11.6	9.9	20.5	\$31,521	13.9	73.6	45.4
McLean County, Illinois	150,433	16.5	1,184	127.1	10.8	9.7	\$47,021	9.7	66.5	29.8

Source: U.S. Census 2000. www.census.gov

Web Sites of Most Similar Counties to St. Louis County

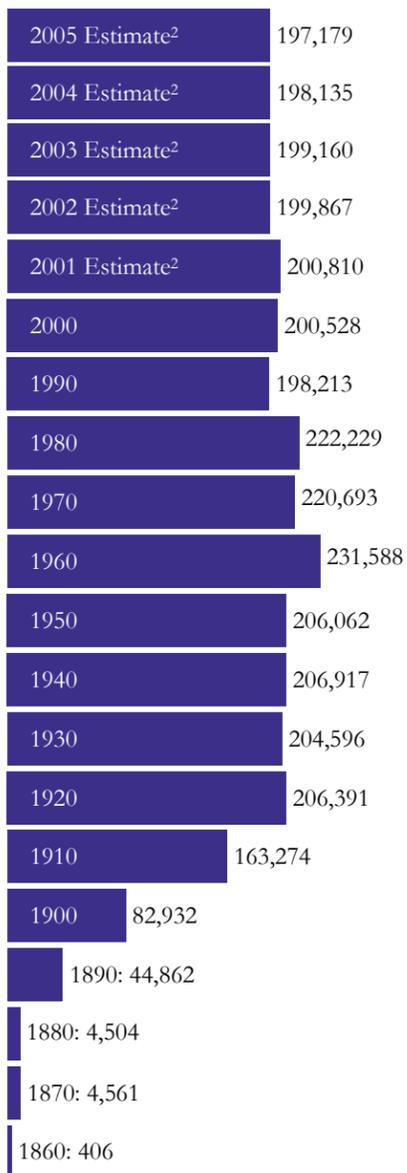
Jackson County, Oregon	www.co.jackson.or.us	Shasta County, California	www.co.shasta.ca.us
Yavapai County, Arizona	www.co.yavapai.az.us	Mohave County, Arizona	www.co.mohave.az.us
St. Louis County, Minnesota	www.co.st-louis.mn.us		

Population Change

Cities and Townships in St. Louis County

1990-2000

Historical Population St. Louis County 1860-2001



About the Data: Population is the total of all people residing in an identified area.
Source: U.S. Census Bureau. www.census.gov
Mapping by: St. Louis County Planning Department, 2005
Geography: St. Louis County By Minor Civil Division (MCD)
Note: UT (unorganized township)
¹ Adjusted census figures
² Census Bureau population estimates as of July 1, 2001 each year

Overview

- Hermantown experienced the largest percentage growth rate of 19.0% of cities over 2,000 people in St. Louis County from 1990-2000.
- Hoyt Lakes experienced the largest percentage rate of decline of 11.3% of cities over 2,000 people in St. Louis County from 1990-2000.
- Hibbing experienced the largest population decline of 975 residents of cities over 2,000 population from 1990-2000.

Population Change in St. Louis County

	1970	1980	1990	2000	%Change 1990-2000
Populations over 2,000					
Gaining Population					
Hermantown	6,737	6,759	6,761	8,047	19.0
Lakewood Twp.	1,393	1,680	1,799	2,013	11.9
Grand Lake Twp.	1,539	2,166	2,355	2,621	11.3
Rice Lake Twp.	3,359	3,861	3,883	4,139	6.6
Duluth City	100,578	92,811	85,493	86,319 ¹	1.0
St. Louis County	220,693	222,229	198,213	200,528	1.2
Declining Population					
Hoyt Lakes	3,634	3,186	2,348	2,082	-11.3
Mountain Iron	3,400	4,134	3,362	2,999	-10.8
Chisholm	5,913	5,930	5,290	4,960	-6.2
Ely	4,904	4,820	3,968	3,724	-6.1
Hibbing	20,744	21,193	18,046	17,071	-5.4
Eveleth	4,721	5,042	4,064	3,865	-4.9
Proctor	3,123	3,180	2,974	2,852	-4.1
Virginia	12,450	11,056	9,410	9,157	-2.7

Percent Population Change by County 1990 -2000

