

# Regional snapshot

## Hennepin County

October 2009

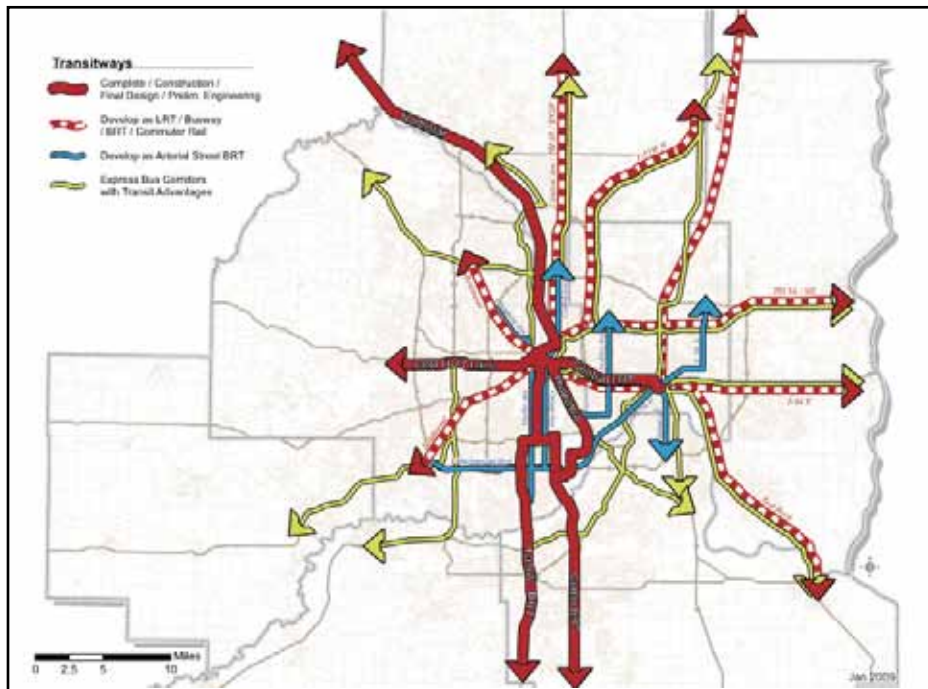
### Transit and Transportation

The Hennepin County Regional Rail Authority is conducting an alternatives analysis for the Bottineau Transitway, which generally follows Highway 81 in the northern portion of the county.

The county is also leading the way on the Southwest Transitway route, which will bring riders from the southwestern suburban communities into downtown Minneapolis. The Southwest project will also receive \$5 million in state bonds for transit capital improvements to fund the preparation of the environmental impact statement.

In addition, the region's first commuter rail line, the Northstar Line, begins service Nov. 16 from Big Lake to Minneapolis. The Central Corridor project is moving ahead toward construction in late 2010. The project is moving ahead with final design – service on the line is expected to begin in 2014.

Other express transit service corridors identified in the area include I-94, I-694, Highway 252 and Highway 610.



### At a Glance

Total population	1,130,110
Median age	37.2
Population under age 5	79,560
Adult population	863,487
Population age 65 and older	122,524
Total housing units	495,936
Owner-occupied homes	315,678
Average household size	2.38
Average family size	3.08
Population in the labor force	649,726
Mean travel time to work, in minutes	21.9
Median annual household income	\$60,115

Source: American Community Survey 3-year estimates, 2005-2007, U.S. Census Bureau

### Regional Parks

The Three Rivers Park District received \$2.6 million in grants from the Land and Legacy Parks and Trails Fund in July for the following projects:

- Renovating and expanding nature centers at Elm Creek Park Reserve in Maple Grove (and Carver Park Reserve).
- Completing the trail between Fish Lake Regional Park in Maple Grove and French Regional Park in Plymouth.
- Restoring natural resources and improving parks and trails throughout the park district – part of partnership with Minnesota Conservation Corps.

### Community Development

Communities throughout the region submitted their 2030 comprehensive plan updates in 2008, and the Council is reviewing those plans throughout this year.

#### Reviewed by Council

- Dayton
- Loretto
- Maple Grove
- Maple Plain
- Medina
- Osseo
- Plymouth

#### Review Process Underway

- Brooklyn Center
- Brooklyn Park
- Champlin
- Corcoran
- Greenfield
- Hassan Township
- Independence
- Medicine Lake
- Minnetrista
- Robbinsdale
- St. Bonifacius
- Rogers

#### Metropolitan Council Representative - northern Hennepin County

**Roger Scherer**, District 1 (Champlin, Corcoran, Dayton, Greenfield, Independence, Loretto, Maple Grove, Maple Plain, Medicine Lake, Medina, Plymouth, and Rogers, and Hassan Township) **Tony Pistilli**, District 2 (Hennepin County cities of Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park, Osseo and Robbinsdale) **Craig Peterson**, District 4 (Hennepin County cities of Minnetrista and St. Bonifacius)

# Metropolitan Council District Dialogues

## Recovery Act Transportation Projects

Northern Hennepin County (Council District 1 and portions of districts 2 and 4) transportation projects will receive nearly \$99 million in regional and state funds through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Included in those projects is \$66 million to construct Highway 610 through Maple Grove and Brooklyn Park.

ID	Location	Project	Total Cost	State ARRA	Region ARRA	Other Funds
4	Maple Grove	I-94 – install living snow fence at Fish Lake interchange	\$80,250	\$80,250	\$0	\$0
5	Maple Grove & Rogers	I-94 – rebuild cable median barrier, Fish Lake interchange to county line	\$3,210,000	\$3,210,000	\$0	\$0
6	Brooklyn Park & Maple Grove	Construct Hwy 610 from County Rd 81 to Hwy 169	\$86,000,000	\$64,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$20,000,000
37	Brooklyn Center	County Rd 10 – construct bike/ped trail from Brooklyn Blvd to Hwy 100	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$700,000	\$500,000
48	Maple Grove	County Rd 10 – widen and realign from County Rd 101 to east of Peony Ln	\$7,964,000	\$0	\$3,064,000	\$4,900,000
56	Plymouth	Campus Dr/26th Ave – resurfacing from County Rd 61 to Teakwood Ln and reconstruction from Teakwood Ln to Sycamore Ln	\$433,200	\$0	\$346,560	Rogers
57	Rogers	I-94 – construct westbound off-ramp and extend ramp and grade at S Diamond Lake Rd	\$13,320,000	\$0	\$3,780,000	\$9,540,000
63	Minnetrissa & St. Bonifacius	Bike trail bridges at Hwy 7 and County Rd 92 and paved connection to county line.	\$3,500,000	\$0	\$2,800,000	\$700,000
77	Brooklyn Park & Maple Grove	I-94 – landscaping from I-494 to County Rd 152	\$214,000	\$214,000	\$0	\$0
84	Dayton, Hassan, Rogers, Maple Grove	I-94 – road and ramp concrete rehab from county line to I-494	\$14,225,650	\$14,225,650	\$0	\$0
85	Rogers	I-94 – replace lighting at Hwy 101	\$149,800	\$149,800	\$0	\$0
86	Brooklyn Center	Hwy 252 – road and ramp concrete rehab at I-94	\$738,300	\$738,300	\$0	\$0
87	Brooklyn Center & Brooklyn Park	Hwy 252 – bus shoulder rehab from I-694 to Hwy 610	\$2,316,550	\$2,316,550	\$0	\$0

## Livable Communities Grants

Communities throughout the seven-county metropolitan area have received funds through one of several Livable Communities grant programs. These programs provide funding for new developments or redevelopment projects that provide affordable housing, link housing with nearby jobs and services, help preserve affordable housing, and clean up polluted land for redevelopment.

Since 1996, the Council has granted 38 Livable Communities awards, worth more than \$10 million, to the Hennepin County communities in Council Districts 1 and 2 (no grants were awarded in the District 4 communities of Minnetrista and St. Bonifacius).

Community	Grants	Total Amount
Brooklyn Center	4 awards	\$732,967
Brooklyn Park	9 awards	\$3,972,450
Champlin	3 awards	\$567,372
Dayton	1 award	\$44,000
Loretto	2 awards	\$127,505
Maple Grove	4 awards	\$950,000
Osseo	1 award	\$98,573
Plymouth	7 awards	\$1,481,600
Robbinsdale	7 awards	\$2,200,259

