

# Hennepin County Active Living Program Partnership Projects

Hennepin County's Community and Economic Development (CED) division brings a multidisciplinary approach to improving places where people live, work, learn, and play. We work with cities and partners to improve accessibility, quality of life, and health outcomes in Hennepin County. Through the Active Living program, CED provides funding and technical assistance to advance healthy communities and equity by helping with the following:

## Assessments and education

- Walk, bike, and roll assessments
- Introductory biking classes
- Community bike rides (such as Slow Rolls)
- Walking workshops (e.g. history and culture walks)

## Equitable engagement and demonstration projects

- People-centered public spaces
- Pop-up placemaking
- Community outreach to underrepresented populations
- Temporary bike lanes and pedestrian crossings

## Policies, plans, and implementation strategies

- Bike and pedestrian plans
- Community engagement plans
- Comprehensive plan implementation
- Complete streets and other land use and transportation policies
- Small area or corridor studies

Need ideas to support active living in your community? Our program is here to meet your individual needs! We can also connect you to Hennepin County Public Health staff working on healthy food access and tobacco-related work.

## Funding

This work is funded by a Statewide Health Improvement Partnership grant from the Minnesota Department of Health.

## Previous work

Hennepin County has provided funding and technical support to cities for:

- Passing **Complete Streets** policies or resolutions in 10 cities
- Completing an **active living design checklist** for new development projects (adopted by Brooklyn Center)
- **Demonstrating** placemaking and bike/ped improvements in Brooklyn Center, Osseo, and St. Louis Park
- **Assessing walk and bike conditions** in Crystal, Dayton, and Golden Valley
- Integrating active living and healthy community planning principles into **downtown development guidelines** (adopted by Corcoran)
- Engaging community in **activating public spaces** in Minnetonka, New Hope, and Robbinsdale

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