

## HEALTHY COMMUNITY PLAN

**Community/Team Name:** Leaders for a Positive Cambridge

**Geographic Area:** Cambridge area

**HCP Round/Years:** Round 3, September 1998 – September 2000

**Project Focus:** Community Development Plan

**Vision/Purpose Statement:** To encourage Cambridge area residents to take active, individual responsibility toward positive involvement and leadership in the future of Cambridge.

### Priorities:

- To realize a community center that will serve all citizens
- To become a community of respect; respect for property, peers, public and parents
- To create a paved area for skateboarders
- To bring ISD #911 into the top 5% in academics and intra/extramural activities
- To attract new businesses
- To achieve respectful, progressive and trustworthy local government
- To realize community support for all youth
- To encourage positive involvement & leadership from all residents
- See below for updated community priorities (BCIP session)

### Follow Up Grants and Loans:

- \$3,500 (I.F.) Economic Development Planning (1999)
- \$10,000 (I.F.) Business Park Land Planning and Environmental Review (2001)
- \$4,000 (I.F.) Cambridge Healthy Seniors- Community Senior Care Program (2001)
- \$1,000 (I.F.) Ambassador Program (2001)
- \$2,000 (I.F.) Cambridge Healthy Seniors – Strategic Plan (HOP) (2002)
- \$13,000 (I.F.) Youth as Resources start-up (2002)
- \$4,500 (I.F.) Multi Jurisdictional Growth Planning (2002)
- \$15,000 (I.F.) Early Childhood Coalition (2003)
- \$375,000 Blandin Regional Human Service Ctr. Site Redevelopment (2003)
- \$5,000 (I.F.) Industrial Park Marketing (2003)
- \$4,500 (I.F.) Multi-Jurisdictional Planned Growth (2003)
- \$5,000 (I.F.) Isanti County Historical Society (HOP) (2003)
- \$5,000 (I.F.) Pregnancy Resource Center of Cambridge (HOP) (2003)
- \$500 (I.F.) New Pathways, Inc. – Strategic Plan Follow-Up (HOP) (2004)
- \$10,000 (I.F.) Early Childhood Coalition Implementation (2005)
- \$5,000 (I.F.) Cambridge Area Chamber of Commerce Foundation – Regional Small Business Development Center (2005)
- \$ - Leadership Program Grant

### Key Accomplishments:

- Economic Development Strategic Planning Session held, early 1999
- Over 150 Citizens at Community Visioning session, late summer 1999
- Over 1400 Youth and 200 Seniors respond to community surveys

- 24 Citizens attend Blandin Leadership Training 2001
- Blandin C.I.P. visioning held spring 2001 with Top 3 priorities of 1) Community Center 2) Preserve and Enhance Green Space and 3) Affordable Housing
- Downtown Revitalization/Streetscaping completed fall 2001
- Respect Retreat held Jan. 11-13, 2000, and Jan. 8-9, 2002
- Community Center Task Force formed.
- Numerous Respect Activities carried out (1999-2002)
- Positive involvement and leadership has been/is being realized in Cambridge
- Start up YAR program (2002)
- Start-up Early Childhood Coalition (2003)
- Begin Planning for Regional Human Service Center Redevelopment (2003)
- Completed growth plan in cooperation with Isanti, Braham and townships (2003)
- Development of a Cambridge Community Park & Trail Plan
- Approval to begin a “Training & Community Center” with the National Guard, 2006
- Implementation of a local leadership program, 2006
- Formation of a Downtown Action Team, 2006

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