

HEALTHY COMMUNITY PLAN

Community/Team Name: Chisago Lakes to Falls

Geographic Area: Highway 8 corridor in Chisago County including the communities of Center City, Chisago City, Lindstrom, Shafer, Taylors Falls and surrounding townships.

HCP Round/Years: Round 1, May 1997 – April 1999 (with an approved extension through August 2000)

Vision/Purpose Statement:

The Lakes to Falls Visioning Healthier Communities initiative seeks to assist neighboring communities to work together to cooperatively enhance our way and quality of life.

Project Focus:

To have the communities along the Highway 8 corridor assist each other to cooperatively enhance the quality of life.

Efforts include:

- Support in local communities in developing ordinances on youth access to tobacco
- Support of Education Now, Babies Later (ENABL) campaign
- Assist refugee population in the area of health care
- Worked with the Minnesota Design Team
- Support of partnership to work on truancy issues.

Priorities:

- Education—through the extended hours of the media center
- Health and Recreation—to endorse and support healthy lifestyles through a wide range of programs
- Transportation—to increase access to health care, social activities, recreation and education for all community members through improved coordination of transportation services.

Follow Up Grants and Loans:

- \$10,000 - Grant was awarded in 1999 as a follow-up to the HCP effort and went to the Chisago County Rural Community Initiative to promote sustainability and generate discussion and planning in regard to growth.
- Received I.F. start-up loan for Wild River Training Center which is a horse training center (1998)

Other:

- Per conversation with Karl Samp regarding this team, we chose to remove them from further HCP – related mailings as of October 2000 since there was no ongoing contact from them.
- Deobligated \$6,501.03 of their HCP grant as of April 2002

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