

Resolution 26-75

WHEREAS, in 2010, the Minnesota State Legislature created the Council on Local Results and Innovation and subsequently released a set of standard performance measures for counties to aid residents, taxpayers, and elected officials in determining the efficacy of programs and services; and

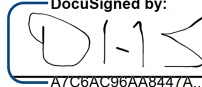
WHEREAS, participation in the program is voluntary, but the county receives funds annually for participation that are used to implement the resident survey every three years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Olmsted County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve participation in the annual State Measures Program and submission of the report to the Minnesota State Auditor's Office.

Dated at Rochester, Minnesota, this 2nd day of June, 2026.

OLMSTED COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

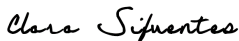
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Clara Sifuentes, Deputy Clerk to the County Board



State Performance Measurement Report

2026

Report Compiled by Olmsted County
Policy, Analysis, and Communications Department

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Report and Program Background

In 2010, the Legislature created the Council on Local Results and Innovation. In February 2011, the Council released a standard set of ten performance measures for counties and ten performance measures for cities that will aid residents, taxpayers, and state and local elected officials in determining the efficacy of counties and cities in providing services and measure residents' opinions of those services. In February of 2012, the Council created a comprehensive performance measurement system for cities and counties to implement. In 2013, the Council revised the performance measures and clarified the system requirements to increase participation in the program.

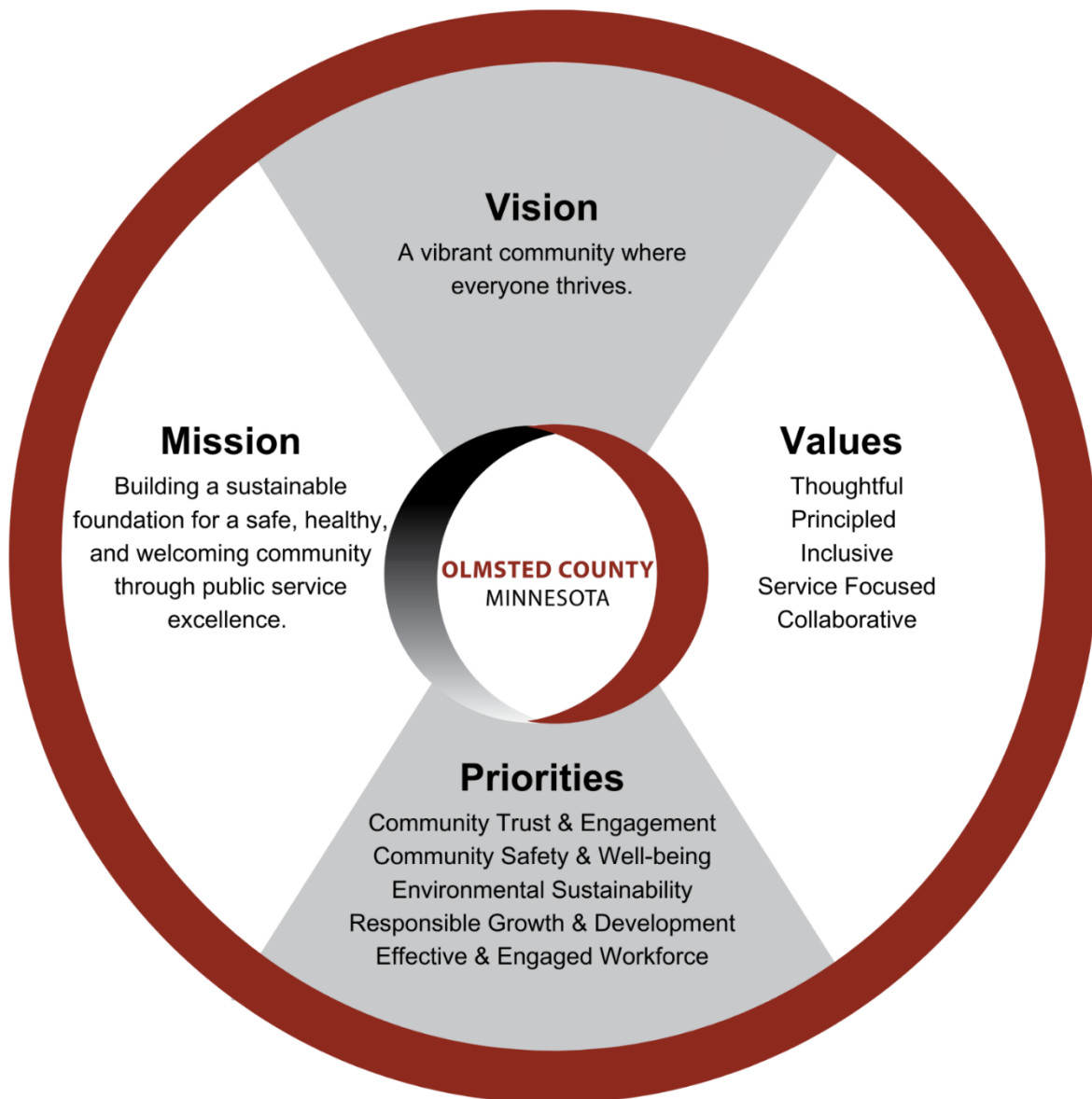
Participation in the standard measures program by a city or a county is voluntary. Counties and cities that choose to participate in the standard measures program must officially adopt and implement the ten minimum performance measures and system developed by the Council. Olmsted County has been a voluntary participant since 2011.

Per the Council's reporting requirements, a copy of the resolution approved by the Olmsted County Board to participate in this program will be submitted electronically to the Minnesota Office of the State Auditor.

In 2024, Olmsted County adopted a new strategic plan for 2024-2028. High-level priorities are shown on the next page along with the updated Mission/Vision/Values. Performance measures presented in this report are tied to several of these high-level priorities in the following pages.

An [accessible version of this report](#) is also available on the Olmsted County website.

Olmsted County Mission, Vision, Values and Priorities



Olmsted County Goal: Community Safety & Well-Being

Performance Measure Category: Public Safety

Data Source: Dodge & Olmsted Counties Community Corrections Department

Performance Measure: Adult Recidivism Rate after Supervision

- **Target Goal: 85%** of D&O felony case probationers remain free of felony conviction for 3 years after discharge.

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Goal Met?
90%	90%	90%	90%	85%	Met

- **Target Goal: 75%** of D&O supervised releases remain free of felony conviction for 3 years after discharge.

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Goal Met?
66%	73%	77%	69%	75%	Met

Initiatives impacting performance metrics:

- Coordinate Olmsted County Drug Court
- Partner with Damascus Way Halfway House Program
- Apply Research-driven practices
- Teach Cognitive Skills Programming
- Use Validated Risk Needs Assessment
- Provide Intensive Supervision
- Offer Domestic Violence Education and Treatment
- Prioritize supervision and treatment interventions to higher risk clients
- Target interventions to reduce risk
- Utilize effective Communication and motivation interview strategies to enhance positive change
- Dosage Probation

Olmsted County Goal: Community Safety & Well-Being

Performance Measure Category: Public Health

Data Source: 2024 CDC U.S. life expectancy: [Products - Data Briefs - Number 548 - January 2026](#)
2021 life expectancy for Minnesota: [FastStats - Life Expectancy](#)

Performance Measure: Life Expectancy

- **Target Goal:** Life expectancy higher than **U.S.** average of **79.0 years**

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Goal Met?
80.6*	80.0*	79.3*	81.2	81.2	Met

- **Target Goal:** Life expectancy higher than **Minnesota** average of **78.8 years**

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Goal Met?
80.6*	80.0*	79.3*	81.2	81.2	Met

Initiatives impacting performance metrics:

- Promote Healthy Communities and Healthy Behaviors
- Assure the Quality and Accessibility of Health Services
- Preventing the Spread of Infectious Diseases
- Prepare for and Respond to Disasters and Assist Communities in Recovery
- Protect against Environmental Hazards
- Assure an Adequate Local Public Health Infrastructure

***Note:** In 2026 Olmsted County Public Health transitioned to a new mortality format that uses a different life expectancy equation for smaller counties. This led to updates in results for previous years. Despite this change, Olmsted County continues to have a higher life expectancy than the U.S. or the State of Minnesota.

Olmsted County Goal: Community Safety & Well-Being

Performance Measure Category: Social Services

Data Source: Olmsted County Child & Family Services Department

Performance Measure: Maltreatment Recurrence Rate

- **Target Goal: 90.9%** of confirmed reports of child maltreatment during reporting year **remain free of another confirmed** maltreatment report within 12 months of initial report

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Goal Met?
95.3%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	90.3%*	Not Met

Initiatives impacting performance metrics:

- Collaborate with law enforcement, medical personnel, community partners (e.i. schools and community agencies) and other agency staff working with the family as well as extended family members and friends
- Engage with the entire family system to partner and work toward solutions together
- Utilize differential response and increased utilization of early intervention services and child welfare-based services to prevent need for child protection services
- Use Family Involvement Strategies (FIS): Case Planning Conferences and Family Group Conferences

***Note:** To achieve this performance measure, no more than six children may experience a repeat maltreatment finding. In 2025, Olmsted County recorded 6 out of 62 children with this finding. It is important to note that five of these children were members of the same sibling group. Because the metric counts each child individually rather than measuring by family unit, the result may appear elevated when multiple siblings are involved in a single case.

Olmsted County Goal: Responsible Growth & Development

Performance Measure Category: Veteran Services

Data Source: Olmsted County Administration; overall % veteran to county population from Census American Community Survey (ACS) 2024 5-Year Estimates. Federal dollars per veteran from 2024 VA Expenditures GDX Report and VA Population Model (VetPop2023) estimates for 2024.

Performance Measure: Federal dollars brought into county for veteran's benefits

- % of Veteran population to overall county population. No target goal just track year to year changes.

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
5.3%	5.2%	6.4%	6.0%	5.9%

- Average Federal benefit dollars per veteran brought into county per year. No target goal just track year to year changes.

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
\$6,095	\$6,784	\$8,066	\$9,282	\$9,592

Initiatives impacting performance metrics:

- Provide outreach to homebound veterans and those in nursing facilities to assist in obtaining federal, state and local benefits
- Make claims for death benefits, Death Pension or Dependency and Indemnity Compensation

Olmsted County Goal: Responsible Growth & Development

Performance Measure Category: Finance

Data Source: Olmsted County Finance Department

Performance Measure: Bond Rating

- **Target Goal:** Standard and Poors Bond at **AAA Rating**

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Goal Met?
Yr Not Rated	AAA	AAA	Yr Not Rated	Yr Not Rated	Not Applicable

- **Target Goal:** Moody's Investors Services at **Aaa Rating**

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Goal Met?
Aaa	Aaa	Aaa	Aaa	Aaa	Met

Initiatives impacting performance metrics:

- Internal Control Systems
- Regular involvement by finance staff of the qualitative judgement of programmatic managers in budget development, monitoring and financial forecasting
- One-time revenues (uncertain funding streams) are linked to one-time expenditures to avoid building instability into the budget
- The goal to maintain fund balances between 35% to 50% of operating revenues in our Governmental Funds
- A five-year capital improvement plan for major public improvements is reviewed and updated annually
- Our self-insurance health plan is modeled out five years for rate setting purposes
- Extensive use of self-supporting internal service funds to account for overhead costs

Olmsted County Goal: Environmental Sustainability

Performance Measure Category: Public Works

Data Source: Olmsted County Public Works Department

Performance Measure: Hours to Plow Complete System During a Snow Event

- **Target Goal:** Substantially bare pavement within **48 hours** on principal arterial roadways

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Goal Met?
Met	Met	Met	Met	Met	Met

- **Target Goal:** Substantially bare pavement within **72 hours** on minor arterial roadways

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2021	2022	2023	204	2025	Goal Met?
Met	Met	Met	Met	Met	Met

Initiatives impacting performance metrics:

- Maintain roads in a reasonable, safe, and serviceable condition throughout winter
- Reduction of Salt Usage for Environmental Benefits
- Secure adequate capital improvement funding
- Pavement Preservation projects for at least 15 miles annually

Olmsted County Goal: Environmental Sustainability

Performance Measure Category: Environment

Data Source: Olmsted County Environmental Resources Department

Performance Measure: Recycling & Solid Waste Processing

- **Target Goal:** Recycling Rate **greater than 45%**

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Goal Met?
44%	42%	39%	42%	40%	Not Met

- **Target Goal:** Waste-to-Energy Facility Processible Waste Rate **greater than 90%**

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Goal Met?
97%	102.7%*	100.4%*	100%	101.3%	Met

- **Target Goal:** Hazardous Waste Program Household Participation Rate **greater than 10%**

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Goal Met?
17%	16%	16%	16%	15%	Met

Initiatives impacting performance metrics:

- Advance the design and implementation of a local Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) to significantly improve recycling rates by capturing more recoverable materials. This facility will enable waste to be diverted higher up the waste hierarchy, reducing dependency on Olmsted's waste-to-energy facility (OWEF) and impacts to its infrastructure.
- Create a cohesive, recognizable public education program aimed at increasing waste diversion and reuse through community engagement and behavior change. The branded education and outreach campaign will also focus on safe disposal practices for hazardous and problematic items such as lithium batteries, propane tanks, and pressurized canisters.
- Develop and execute a countywide strategic waste diversion plan that identifies and targets high-volume recyclable materials currently being sent to the OWEF or landfill. The plan will guide policies, programs, and infrastructure improvements to optimize recovery and reduce overall waste generation.

***Note:** Greater than 100% as waste was reclaimed the year prior from the Kalmar Landfill Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Bypass Cell and processed at the Waste-to-Energy Facility.

Olmsted County Goal: Community Trust & Engagement

Performance Measure Category: Elections

Data Source: Olmsted County Property Records & Licensing Department. Population data based on July 1st, 2023 U.S. Census Bureau

Performance Measure: Post-Election Audit Accuracy

- **Target Goal:** Voting system/hand count reconciliation variance (only measured during Statewide election years). Total variance from reconciliations of three random precincts:
Less than 0.5%

4 Election Cycle Trend Actual Results

2018	2020	2022	2024	Goal Met?
0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	Met

Initiatives impacting performance metrics:

- Prepare ballots and tabulating system for 110 precincts for an estimated population of 164,784 with 104,248 registered voters
- Train 1,000+ election judges every 2 years

Olmsted County Goal: Community Trust & Engagement

Performance Measure Category: Property, Records, Valuation & Assessment

Data Source: Olmsted County Property Records & Licensing Department

Performance Measure: Taxation Assessment Accuracy (Assessment Year)

- **Target Goal: Residential** median assessment ratio: **90%-105%**

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Goal Met?
91.1%	96.3%	94.5%	93.8%	95.2%	Met

- **Target Goal: Commercial** median assessment ratio: **90%-105%**

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Goal Met?
97.5%	89.9%	94.1%	93.1%	94.8%	Met

- **Target Goal: Apartment** median assessment ratio: **90%-105%**

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Goal Met?
93.0%	95.1%	96.9%	95.9%	99.7%	Met

- **Target Goal: Agriculture** median assessment ratio: **90%-105%**

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Goal Met?
92.6%	93.6%	95.6%	92.8%	102.6%	Met

Initiatives impacting performance metrics:

- Rochester continues to experience slight increases in the Residential market. Assessors have raised Residential estimated market values an average of 2-4%
- An assessment aide assists Assessment Services personnel in revaluation

Olmsted County Goal: Community Trust & Engagement

Performance Measure Category: Property, Records, Valuation & Assessment

Data Source: Olmsted County Property Records & Licensing Department

Performance Measure: Real Estate Document Recording, Indexing & Return Rate

- **Target Goal: 95% of e-Recorded Documents Turned Around in 5 Days**

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Goal Met?
2 Days	2 Days	2 Days	2 Days	2 Days	Met

- **Target Goal: 95% of Paper Recorded Documents Turned Around in 10 Days**

5 Year Trend Actual Results

2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Goal Met?
8 Days	6 Days	5 Days	4 Days	3 Days	Met

Initiatives impacting performance metrics:

- Increase imaged documents to provide improved disaster recovery and online access to documents

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