

2026 Performance Measures Report

Murray County, Minnesota



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Respectfully Submitted to the
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On May 15, 2026
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MURRAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MURRAY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER – SLAYTON, MINNESOTA
April 21, 2026

Commissioner Welgraven presented the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION 2026-04-21-01

A RESOLUTION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2026 PERFORMANCE MEASURES PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the 2010 Legislature created the Minnesota Council on Local Results and Innovation, and

WHEREAS, in February 2011 the council released a standard set of ten performance measures for counties that will aid residents, taxpayers and state and local elected officials in determining the efficacy of counties in providing services, and

WHEREAS, counties that elect to participate in the Performance Measures Program for 2026 are eligible for a reimbursement of \$0.14 per capita in local government aid, and are also exempt from levy limits under section 275.70 to 275.74 for taxes payable in the following calendar year, if levy limits are in effect, and

WHEREAS, Murray County was certified for the program in 2011-2023.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Murray County Board of Commissioners that Murray County hereby elects to participate in the 2026 Performance Measures Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the following performance benchmarks are adopted by the Murray County Board of Commissioners:

- **Public Safety:** Part I and II Crime Rates, as Reported by the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension; Deputy Response Time; total number of accidents that occur on County State Aid Highways, County Roads and Un-Organized Township Roads that involve fatalities and injury.
- **Probation/Corrections:** Percent of adult offenders with a newly felony conviction within three (3) years of discharge.
- **Public Works:** Hours to plow complete system during a snow event – and - Average County Pavement Condition Rating, Based on County Engineer's Evaluation.
- **Public Health:** Life Expectancy Generally and by Sex and Race.
- **Social Services:** Workforce Participation Rate Among MFIP and DWP Recipients – and – Percentage of Children Where There is a Recurrence of Maltreatment Within 12 Months Following an Intervention.
- **Taxation:** Level of Assessment Ratio.
- **Elections:** Accuracy of Post-Election Audit.
- **Veterans' Service:** Percentage of Veterans Surveyed Who Said His/Her Questions Were Answered When Seeking Benefit Information from the County Veterans' Office.
- **Parks:** Citizens' Rating of the Quality of County Parks, Recreational Programs, and/or Facilities.
- **Libraries:** Number of Annual Visits per 1,000 Residents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the results of the adopted performance measures will be published on the Murray County Website by December 31, 2026.

The foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Commissioner Zins with all members voting in favor.

SIGNED:

Mark Carlson, Board Chair

WITNESSED:

Sharon Giese, HR Director/Deputy Administrator

Actual Results of 2026 Performance Measures Adopted by Murray County **(All reported results are for 2025, except where otherwise noted)**

Executive Summary: The Murray County Board of Commissioner voted to participate in the 2026 Performance Measure Program on April 21, 2026. Resolution 2026-04-21-01 adopted ten benchmarks on which to measure output which include the areas of Public Safety, Probation/Corrections, Public Works, Public Health, Social Services, Taxation, Elections, Veterans' Service, Parks and Libraries. The actual results of those performance measures are included in the following report.

Benchmark 1: Public Safety

Part I and II crime rates (2025):

- Actual Results: Part I: 21, Part II: 113

Deputy Response Time for top-priority calls from dispatch to the first officer on scene (2025):

- Actual Results: 17 minutes

Number of accidents resulting in fatality or serious injury on county or township roads (2025):

- Actual Results: 1

Benchmark 2: Probation/Corrections

Percent of adult offenders with a new felony conviction within 3 years of discharge

- Actual Results: 7.7% (1 of 13 adult offenders - 2021 is most recent data available).

Benchmark 3 - Public Works

Hours to plow complete system during a snow event

- Actual Results: 8 hours (4 hours to get routes open initially, with two additional rounds made for cleaning and winging out the snow)

Average county pavement condition rating

- Actual Results: 7 (Based on 1 to 10 scale)

Benchmark 4 - Public Health

Life Expectancy generally and by sex and race

- Actual Results:
 - General Life Expectancy: 80.94 years
 - Male Life Expectancy: 78.99 years
 - Female Life Expectancy: 83.03 years
 - No data available on race

Benchmark 5: Social Services

Workforce participation rate among Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) and Diversionary Work Program (DWP)

- Actual Results:
 - 2025 workforce participation rate among Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) and Diversionary Work Program (DWP) recipients:
 - MFIP: Served: 21
Exited: 7
Exited with Employment: 5

Wage at Exit: \$18.86
Work Participation: 71%

- DWP: Served: 9
Exited: 9
Exited with Employment: 4
Wage at Exit: \$24.85
Work Participation Rate: 44%

Percentage of children where there is a recurrence of maltreatment within 12 months following an intervention.

- Actual Results: 0%

Benchmark 6: Taxation

Level of assessment ratio

- Actual Results: 100% accuracy. No changes for 2025 Certification of State Board of Equalization (Per Department of Revenue)

Benchmark 7: Elections

Accuracy of post-election audit (Percentage of ballots counted accurately.)

- Actual Results: 100% (Based on Post-Election Equipment Review (PEER) for the 2024 General Election. Precincts reviewed were Bondin Township and Cameron Township)

Benchmark 8: Veterans' Services

Percent of veterans surveyed who said their questions were answered when seeking benefit information from their County Veterans' Office. (2025 data. Veteran Service Officer in office 1 day per week)

- Actual Results: 98% (Based on 179 client visits)

Benchmark 9: Parks

Citizens' rating of the quality of county parks, recreational programs, and/or facilities.

- Actual Results: (Taken from 2025 citizen surveys)
 - Excellent 58%
 - Good 39%
 - Fair 3%
 - Poor 0%

Benchmark 10: Library

Number of annual visits per 1,000 residents.

Actual Results: (Taken from the Plum Creek Library System)

- 17.62 visits per 1,000 residents
- Total Visitors: 17,615 as follows:
 - Fulda Public Library: 7,577
 - Slayton Public Library: 10,038