

New Residents

2016 WELCOME GUIDE FROM THE CITY OF SHAKOPEE



39,677

Est. Population 2014

29.32

Square miles

Seat of

Scott County

1857

Founded as a City

shah-kə-pee

The City of Shakopee is named after a Dakota Chief, whose band was living in the area along the Minnesota River when city founder, Thomas A. Holmes, established a trading post here in 1851. The original name was Shah-k'pay but later changed to its present spelling. Shakopee means "Six" in the Dakota language.

-Adapted from Warren Upham's "Minnesota Place Names: A Geographical Encyclopedia."

Welcome from the Mayor

Dear New Resident:

On behalf of the Shakopee City Council and city staff, welcome to Shakopee! We're so glad you've chosen to make Shakopee your home.

Shakopee is a great community with so much to offer residents in housing, parks, entertainment, employment and, most importantly, a small town feel.

Incorporated in 1857, this former trading post along the Minnesota River has experienced dramatic growth in population, businesses and amenities in recent decades. Today, the city boasts a diverse population with excellent schools, a top-notch regional medical facility, abundant recreational opportunities and the friendliness of a small town.

The city is home to one of the state's largest commercial-industrial parks, providing the community a strong tax base that helps keep property taxes low and housing affordable. In recent years, the city has attracted more than 3,500 new jobs, including opportunities at Shutterfly, Amazon and Datacard.

Located in "RiverSouth: Land of Big Fun," Shakopee is a regional entertainment destination. With Valleyfair, Canterbury Park and other area attractions, the area draws more than 10 million visitors annually. Also, in 2016, the City will begin an expansion project of its Community Center and Ice Arena that will enhance recreational opportunities for all residents.

Please look over the information in this brochure. If you have any questions or would like more information about Shakopee, our staff would be pleased to assist you. Visit us online at www.ShakopeeMN.gov, call us (952) 233-9300 or stop by City Hall, 129 Holmes St. S., between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Sincerely,

William Mars

Mayor, City of Shakopee



The Shakopee City Council meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Tuesdays of the month in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Agendas are posted on the City website in advance of all meetings. Meetings are also streamed online.



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City Hall

129 Holmes St. S.
(952) 233-9300
(952) 233-3837 (TTY)

- Administration
- Building Permits & Inspections
- City Clerk
- Economic Development
- Finance
- Planning & Zoning

Community Center

1255 Fuller St. S.
(952) 233-9500
(952) 233-9502 (Rec Hotline)

- Parks & Recreation

Engineering

500 Gorman St.
(952) 233-9300

- Natural Resources

Fire Station 1

2700 Vierling Dr. E.
(952) 233-9570

- Main Fire Office

Fire Station 2

1001 Vierling Dr. W.

Police Department

475 Gorman St.
(952) 233-9400
911 (Emergency)

Public Works

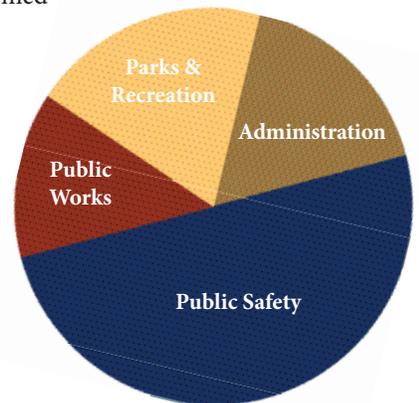
400 Gorman St.
(952) 233-9550
(952) 445-1411 (After-Hours Emergency)

About the City

The City of Shakopee is governed by a five-member City Council, which includes a Mayor and four at-large City Council members. The Mayor and Council members serve four-year, staggered terms. The Mayor and each Council member have one vote apiece. Beginning in 2018, city elections will be held in even-numbered years during the November general election. The City also has four volunteer boards and commissions that advise the City Council.

The City provides services in the areas of public safety, parks and recreation, planning and zoning, building inspections, public works (streets, sanitary sewer and storm sewers) and general administration. Daily operation of the city is performed by various departments under the supervision of the City Administrator. City services are provided by a staff of approximately 145 full-time, 160 part-time and more than 300 seasonal employees.

The City's annual operating budget is approximately \$23 million. Shakopee has among the lowest municipal property tax rates of cities in the seven-county metropolitan area.



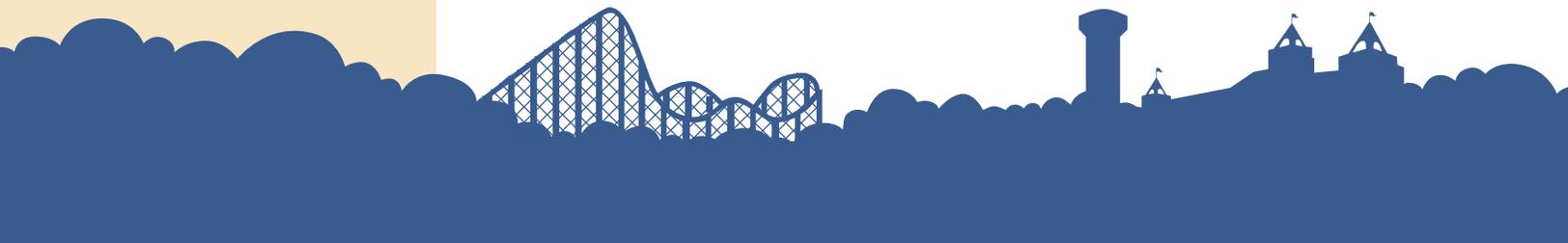
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- publicworks@ShakopeeMN.gov



Water & Electric

Water and electric services within the City of Shakopee are municipally-owned but independently operated by Shakopee Public Utilities.

Shakopee Public Utilities

255 Sarazin St.
(952) 445-1988
spucweb.com

Sanitary Sewer & Storm Water

Sewer and storm drainage services are managed by the City and included in Shakopee Public Utilities' monthly bills.

Natural Gas

CenterPoint Energy

(612) 372-4727
www.centerpointenergy.com

Cable Television/Home Phone/Internet

Comcast (television, phone, Internet)

(800) 266-2278
www.comcast.com

CenturyLink (phone, Internet)

(800) 475-7526
www.centurylink.com

*Additional television, Internet and cable providers may be available in your location or via satellite.

Garbage & Recycling

Republic Services provides residential garbage, recycling, bulk item and yard waste services for all Shakopee single-family dwellings, townhomes, duplexes and triplexes.

Republic Services Customer Service

(952) 941-5174
www.republicservices.com



NEED TO KNOW INFORMATION

Animal Regulations

All dogs are required to be licensed by the City of Shakopee. Licenses can be obtained through the Parks & Recreation Department at the Community Center or online. City ordinance also prohibits dogs or cats from running at large. Citations will be issued when a loose dog or cat is taken to the animal shelter by police.



www.ShakopeeMN.gov/petsandanimals

Elections & Voting

City, county, state and federal elections are held in even-numbered years. The City has 14 precincts and 12 precinct voting locations.

www.ShakopeeMN.gov/elections

Landscaping

Residents are required to keep their lawns maintained and mowed to a height of no more than eight inches. Specific restrictions also govern landscaping and material located within right-of-ways and easements. Trees located in the boulevard are maintained by the City. All other trees are the responsibility of the property owner.

www.ShakopeeMN.gov/homeimprovement

Licenses & Permits

Among the permits issued by the City are building, fence and open burning permits.

www.ShakopeeMN.gov/licensesandpermits

Marriage licenses, driver's licenses and license plates are issued by Scott County.

Scott County Customer Service Center

200 Fourth Ave. W.
(952) 496-8150
www.scottcountymn.gov

Parking

Winter parking regulations prohibit parking on city streets from 2-6 a.m. Nov. 1 through March 31. One exception: Odd/even parking rules apply in the area north of 10th Avenue and west of Marschall Road. After a snowfall of 2 inches, the restrictions are effective 24 hours a day.

www.ShakopeeMN.gov/parking

Property Taxes

New property owners are required to file for homestead classification by Dec. 15.

Scott County Government Center

200 Fourth Ave. W.
(952) 496-8150
www.scottcountymn.gov

AROUND TOWN

Post Office

135 Sommerville St. S.
(952) 403-0215
www.usps.com

Shakopee Public Library

235 Lewis St. S.
(952) 233-9590
www.scottlib.org

Medical Facilities

St. Francis Regional Medical Center

1455 St. Francis Ave.
(952) 428-3000
www.stfrancis-shakopee.com

VA Outpatient Clinic

1111 Shakopee Town Square
(952) 445-4070
www.minneapolis.va.gov/locations/Shakopee.asp

Schools

Shakopee Public Schools

(952) 496-5000
www.shakopee.k12.mn.us

Shakopee Area Catholic Schools (Pre K-8)

(952) 445-3387
www.sacsschools.org

Living Hope Lutheran (PreK-4)

(952) 941-9047
www.blhhschool.org

Scott County

Government Center & Courthouse

200 Fourth Ave. W.
(952) 445-7750
www.scottcountymn.gov

Law Enforcement Center

301 Fuller St. S.
(952) 496-8300
www.scottcountymn.gov

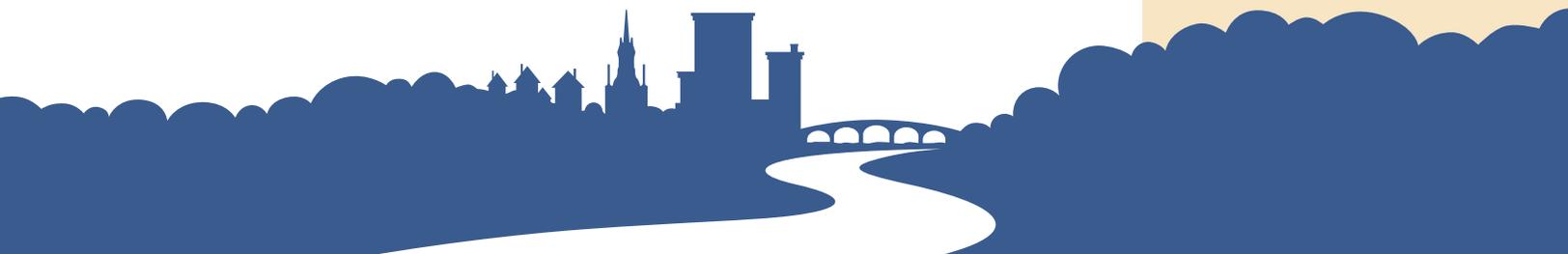
Shakopee Transit

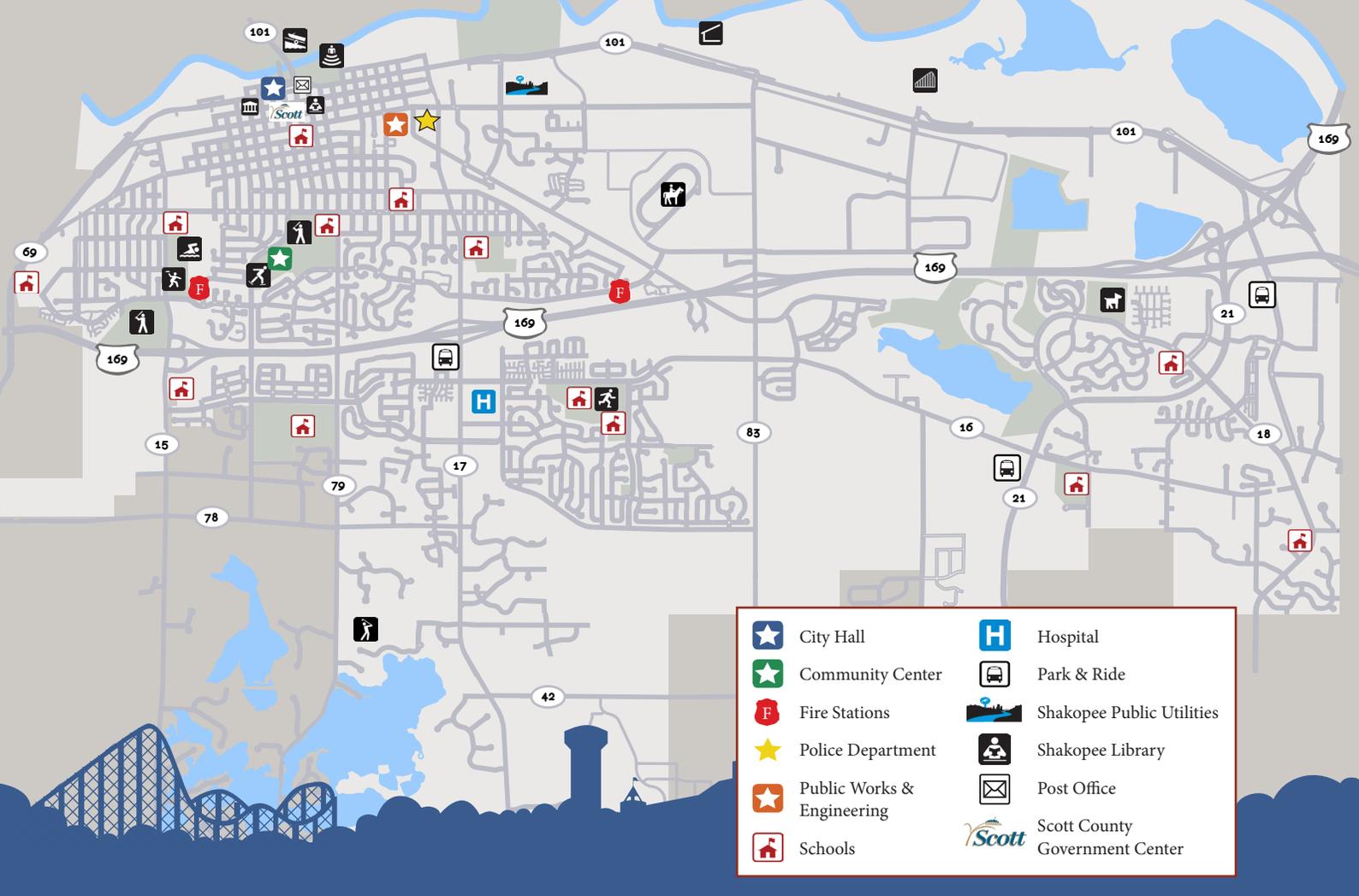
Minnesota Valley Transit Authority (local & commuter)

(612) 373-3333
www.mvta.com

SmartLink (Dial-A-Ride)

(952) 496-8341
www.smartlink.com





	City Hall		Hospital
	Community Center		Park & Ride
	Fire Stations		Shakopee Public Utilities
	Police Department		Shakopee Library
	Public Works & Engineering		Post Office
	Schools		Scott County Government Center

THINGS TO DO IN SHAKOPEE

Shakopee Community Center

- Fitness center, two gymnasiums, walking track, meeting space, Enigma Teen Center, Shakopee Skate Park, 1255 Fuller St. S.

SandVenture Aquatic Park

- An outdoor, sand-bottom, chlorinated pool, water slide, drop slides, diving board, swimming lessons, special events, 1101 Adams St.

Shakopee Ice Arena

- Home to Shakopee hockey, skating lessons, open public skating at Community Center, 1255 Fuller St. S.

Parks & Trails

- 920 acres of park and open space, 32 community and neighborhood parks, 60 miles of recreation trails for walking and bicycling
- Outdoor sports: 17th Avenue Sports Complex, 2600 17th Ave. E.; Muenchow Fields, 1255 Fuller St. S.; Tahpah Park, 1490 Adams St.
- Off-leash dog area, Southbridge Community Park, 7101 Southbridge Pkwy.

Disc Golf

- 18 holes, 6,100-foot-long Frisbee golf course, 1103 Adams St.

Archery Range & Boat Launch

- Archery range, public access to Minnesota River, 551 Co. Hwy. 101 N.

Parks & Recreation Programs, Special Events

- Huber Park Performance & Event Series: Free, family entertainment on the riverfront Thursdays and select Saturdays June through August, 150 Fillmore St. N.
- Year-round recreational opportunities for all ages

Entertainment Attractions

- Canterbury Park Racetrack, 1100 Canterbury Road
- Valleyfair Amusement Park, 1 Valleyfair Drive
- The Landing-Minnesota River Heritage Park, 2187 Co. Hwy. 101 E.
- Scott County Historical Society & Museum, 235 Fuller St. S.
- Stonebrooke Golf Course, 2693 County Road 79



Redeem for Your Welcome Pass
Shakopee Community Center

Good for one free day pass (up to four family members) to the Community Center, Shakopee Ice Arena or SandVenture Aquatic Park.
 *First-time local residents only. Must present and surrender this pass to redeem offer.
 1255 Fuller St. S., Shakopee | (952) 233-9500 | 5:30 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Friday; 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturday; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday