

# 2024 YEAR IN RESULTS





#### **DAKOTA COUNTY**

#3 Largest County in State Population\*

#3 in County Economic Development (source: DEED)

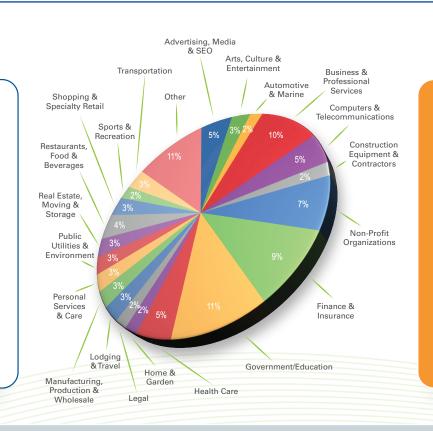
\*On track to #2 by 2036. (Dakota County Projection)



#### **CITIES REPRESENTED**

Eagan • Empire • Farmington Lilydale • Mendota Heights Rosemount • Sunfish Lake West St. Paul • Castle Rock TWP Eureka TWP • Hampton TWP

The DCR Region represents 50% of the population of Dakota Co.





#### REPRESENTATION

4 of the 7 Dakota County Commissioners 12 State Senators & Representatives 1 US Congress Representative

2 US Senators

2 Full Time Staff Members 2 Part Time Staff Members

22 DCR Chamber Ambassadors

24 DCR Chamber Board Members 8 DCR Charitable Foundation

**Board Members** 



60% of our membership is companies with 10 or less employees.

**MEMBERSHIP:** 

### **445 MEMBERS 85% RETENTION RATE**

**NEW MEMBER TOTALS:** 2024: 76

> **NET GROWTH** 2024: +2%

40% of Members join from outside the DCR footprint to get Regional benefits.

DCR Members have 37K employees



### CONNECTION

#### WORKFORCE

Delivered more than \$212K in scholarships & training, in partnership w/DCR Foundation & DCTC

Annual award of 4 college scholarships to young women entering jobs in high demand.

Granted 4 "FourWins" scholarships to individuals in high-demand professions (law-enforcement, nursing & commercial truck driving).

Secured a state grant to help DCR Members be better managers in a multicultural workforce.

Trained 28 individuals as Certified Phlebotomists.

Initiated DCR Intern Match Program with District 197 **TriDistrict CAPS program** 



### CONNECTION

#### **2024 HIGHLIGHTS**

100+ Events & 3300 Attendees

1900 in weekly updates reached

#### LinkedIn Skyrockets:

Engagement up 124% and clicks up 102% from 2023

#### **Instagram Climbs:**

Reach up 181% and Engagement up 79%

### Facebook Visibility:

Visits to Chamber FB page up 51.8%

#### Followers:







### **ADVOCACY**

6 Advocacy and Issues Forums held

Town Hall with Congresswoman Angie Craig

9 Candidate Forums conducted

5 State of the Cities Conducted

DCR Public Affairs Committee 2025 Plan issued

Successfully lobbied against broadband tax



## **REGIONAL SUPPORT**

5 City Coffee Breaks

2nd Straight Sold-Out Holiday Luncheon **Celebrating Nonprofits** 

\$4K in Unrestricted Donations to Local Nonprofits Through DCR Foundation

Second Annual Mayors Cup Raised Over \$4K to Fight Breast Cancer as Part of ACS's Kick\$4aCure (\$16KTotal Raised)



### **EDUCATION**

48 Weekly Updates issued to 1,900 readers

15 Candidate Forums supported/conducted

Website Advocacy & Law Change updates

5 State of the Cities Conducted

6 Advocacy and Issues Forums held

3 Business Traning Sessions held



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