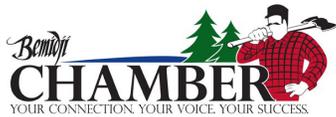




Thank You

for listening to our community and considering our requests.
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A Regional Hub

Growing in the Right Direction

- Vibrant regional center with over 100,000 in Bemidji's service region
- World class healthcare
- The Sanford Events Center hosts nearly 500 events annually, attracting 200,000 visitors
- A hotbed of talent and innovation
- Best fiber infrastructures in the state



Bonding

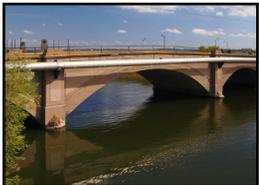
- \$3.5M Northern Access Dental Clinic
 - Design & Construction Serving 13,000 Patients Annually
- Regional Solid Waste Project
- \$18.1M Hagg Sauer Building Replacement
- \$30M Northern MN Veterans Home



Community

- \$1.65M Funding from Lessard Sams for Lake Bemidji South Shore Restoration and Enhancement
- Protect Local Government Aid
- Increase City Streets Funding – Currently 84% is Funded by Local Property Taxes and Assessments
- SF 142 Comprehensive Mental Health Pilot Project Funding

Transportation



- Paul Bunyan Expressway– Four Lane MN Hwy 371 to Cass Lake Giving Four Lane Access to North Central Minnesota and the Border
- Fund Roads & Bridges - Repairs & Improvements



Education

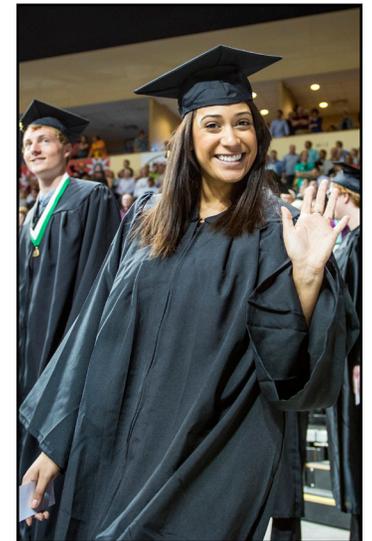
Higher Education

Support MnSCU's Budget Request of \$142M

- Protect Quality and Affordability – Fully Fund a Tuition Freeze

BSU / NTC's Share of Increased Funding:

- \$2.9M for Faculty and Staff Salary and Benefit Increases
- \$1.2M for other Inflationary Operating Costs



K-12

- School District Transportation
 - Adopt HF 40 & SF 157 which Fully Funds State Mandated Service
- Reduce Testing
- Increase Funding For Technology

