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NEW RESIDENT WELCOME PACKET

CITY OF ST. FRANCIS
3750 BRIDGE STREET NW
ST. FRANCIS, MN 55070
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GETTING TO KNOW ST. FRANCIS

Located along the northern edge of Anoka County, the City of St. Francis is a community that is still able to provide its residents with a small-town feel while in the shadow of the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area. St. Francis has been able to blend rural and city living into a unique community of over 7,000 people. Scenic areas along the Rum River and the realization of having one's own hobby farm have tended to be two of the most common factors that lure people to this northern Anoka County community.

While not a boom town, St. Francis has seen its share of growth over the years. An even mix of urban style residential lots and large acreage hobby farms has provided the city with a number of quality housing developments.

The St. Francis area has a variety of recreational opportunities. The Rum River provides an exceptional setting for the canoeing and fishing enthusiasts. Located within the heart of St. Francis, the Rum River North Park provides easy access to the river.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

ST. FRANCIS PIONEER DAYS

Hosted at the end of the month in May

The Annual Pioneer Days celebration is hosted by the St. Francis Area Chamber of Commerce. Most of the events are held at Community Park, 22825 St. Francis Blvd. NW. More information can be found at <https://www.stfrancischamber.org/pioneerdays>



ST. FRANCIS CITY-WIDE GARAGE SALE

The annual city-wide garage sale takes place the second Saturday in September and is hosted by the St. Francis Area Chamber of Commerce.

ST. FRANCIS EVENT CALENDAR

For ongoing events in the city, visit <https://www.stfrancischamber.org/calendar#!calendar>

CITY UTILITY SERVICES

CABLE TV

Midco	1-800-888-1300
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ELECTRIC

Connexus Energy	763-323-2600 (Power Outage) 763-323-2650 (Member Services)
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GAS

CenterPoint Energy	612-321-4939
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GARBAGE/RECYCLE HAULERS

Ace Solid Waste	763-427-3110
Allied/Republic Services	763-784-2104
East Central Sanitation	763-689-2171
LePage & Sons	763-757-7100

INTERNET PROVIDERS

Century Link	1-800-244-1111
Genesis	1-888-383-8837 or 320-396-2990
Midco	1-800-888-1300

TELEPHONE

Century Link	1-800-244-1111
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WATER/SEWER

OPUS	651-255-0980
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[City Sewer and Water Rates](#)

UTILITY LINES

Call before you dig!

Gopher State One	651-454-0002
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LOCAL LICENSE CENTERS

Coon Rapids License Center 455 99 th Avenue NW Coon Rapids, MN 55433	Anoka County License Center 7550 Sunwood Drive NW Ramsey, MN 55303	Anoka County License Center 17565 Central Avenue NE Ham Lake, MN 55304
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DOG LICENSES

All dogs must have a dog license issued by the St. Francis Police Department. The license is issued for as long as the rabies vaccine is valid. Must provide proof of rabies vaccination. A 1-2 year license has a cost of \$10 and a 3-year license has a cost of \$15.

St. Francis Police Department	4058 St. Francis Blvd NW	763-753-1264
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BURNING PERMITS

Burning permits are available to St. Francis residents for \$10.00. Permits can be purchased at St. Francis City Hall. Any fire larger than 3' x 3' requires a burning permit. Permits are valid for 3 days with burning hours from 6 PM – 6 AM. For questions, please call the Rum Rive Fire District at 763-753-2334 or email admin@rumriverfire.org. Additional information regarding burning regulations can be found on the [City Website](#).

SNOWMOBILE PERMITS

An annual permit must be purchased to ride a snowmobile in the local access areas of St. Francis. Snowmobile permits can be purchased for \$15 at the St. Francis Police Department. A color is assigned to the permit holder that is based on their address. The permit holder may take the most direct route from the primary residence to the state trail within the colored zone. Driving outside the colored zone or in the orange zone is not permitted. The local access sticker must be placed on the hood, visible from the left side. The year sticker must be placed directly below the local access sticker.

[Snowmobile Map](#)

GOLF CART PERMITS

Golf carts have become increasingly popular in St. Francis, and the police department wants to remind residents that while city ordinance 7-3-6 allows the operation of golf carts on city streets, there are rules that must be followed. Residents operating a golf cart on city streets must have a valid driver's license and follow the regulations outlined in the city ordinance as well as all traffic laws under Minnesota State Statute Section 169. An annual permit is required to operate a golf cart on city streets, which can be obtained at the police department Monday through Friday, 6:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

GUN PERMITS

PERMIT TO PURCHASE: The St. Francis Police Department Issues Permits to Purchase to residents of St. Francis. Applications must be completed in full and submitted accurately. Please allow up to 30 days for processing. All decisions will be mailed to the applicant.

PERMIT TO CARRY: Applicants must bring their application to the county sheriff's office in which they reside. The permit to carry acts as a permit to purchase. Those who have a permit to carry do not need a permit to purchase.

Anoka County Sheriff
13301 Hanson Blvd. NW
Andover, MN 55304
Phone: 763-323-5126

HOME IMPROVEMENTS (BUILDING PERMITS)

Most home improvement projects require building permits, including basement finishing, porches, decks, sheds, roofing, siding, and more. Structures that are constructed, moved, improved, demolished, or altered require a permit. Permits are required for smaller projects such as plumbing, heating and air conditioning as well. Electrical permits are obtained through the State—for all other permits contact the St. Francis Building Department at 763-235-2300

Permit application forms and fees are available on the [city website](#) or can be obtained at City Hall.

BUILDING PERMITS PROTECT YOUR INVESTMENT

To some, obtaining a permit may seem to be an added cost, time delay, and unwarranted regulations. However, a building permit ensures that proper services and code are being met for your safety. Residents may sometimes overlook the benefits of obtaining a building permit and appropriate inspection. In addition to assuring yourself that your family and property are protected, you will also have peace of mind knowing that the work has been done properly and in accordance with all codes. Building without a permit may cause future maintenance problems or affect the resale of your home.

RECYCLING

THE CITY OF ST. FRANCIS HOSTS AN [ANNUAL SPRING RECYCLING DAY](#) THAT ACCEPTS A WIDE VARIETY OF ITEMS:

FREE – NO CHARGE	FOR A FEE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Leaves and grass clippings - Scrap metal - Used bicycles - Tires without rims - Automotive batteries - Cardboard - Paper shredding - Household recyclables - Household goods and clothing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Appliances - Tires with rims - Electronics - TVs - Light bulbs - Mattresses and box springs

APARTMENT RECYCLING TOTES: Blue totes are available to apartment residents to carry recycling to apartment complex containers. These can be picked up in the Public Works lobby.

For more information on city recycling, please visit stfrancismn.org/recycling/ or contact Public Works at 763-233-5200.



ANOKA COUNTY RECYCLING DROP-OFF CENTERS & SITES

Recyclable materials that are not picked up at the curb may be taken to a municipal recycling drop-off center or a monthly drop-off collection site, open to all county residents. For information on recycling drop-off centers/sites and materials accepted visit <http://www.anokacounty.us/355/Recycling-Resource-Solutions>.



HAZARDOUS WASTE

Some household products are hazardous and should not be placed in the garbage. Take unneeded paint, cleaners, automotive fluids, fluorescent bulbs and garden products to:

ANOKA COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY

3230 101ST AVENUE NE, BLAINE 55449

CONTACT FOR CURRENT HOURS OF OPERATION: 763-323-5730

ANOKA COUNTY COMPOST SITES

A fee is charged for all materials dropped at the compost sites based on the materials and the size of the load. Residents are required to unload their own yard waste and take their bags and containers with them. Full composting details: www.anokacounty.us/359/Compost-Sites

Compost Site Locations	
Bunker Hills Compost Site 13285 Hanson Blvd, Coon Rapids 763-767-7964	Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Compost Site 7701 Main Street, Lino Lakes 651-429-3723

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

NIXEL

The City of St. Francis participates in a Community Notification System designed to deliver important and timely information to residents in our area using the latest technology. Nixel notifications deliver trustworthy and important neighborhood level public safety and community event notifications instantly to users who have signed up for the service. Notices may include road closures, unsafe situations due to fire which are sent during active situations.

To sign up go to: <https://www.stfrancismn.org/administration/page/nixle-everbridge>

For immediate and emergency notifications only, text 55070 to 888777

Text notifications do not include community events or notifications outside of local emergencies.

RUM RIVER FIRE DISTRICT

The Rum River Fire District's primary responsibility is to provide highly trained fire suppression, medical care for the sick and injured, special rescue, fire inspections, arson investigations, fire prevention and education, and community engagement. With over 25 dedicated paid-on-call firefighters, they protect over 8,300 citizens and cover a service area of 27 square miles. The City of St. Francis houses its own police department, school district, and an abundance of industry and retail services. We participate in an active mutual aid/auto aid program to ensure sufficient resources from and for our neighboring fire departments when needed.

Emergency: 911 Non-emergency: 763-427-1212 Fire Station: 763-753-2334 3750 Bridge Street NW St. Francis, MN 55070	<b style="color: #4F81BD;">FIRE SERVICE RATING <b style="color: #4F81BD;">ST. FRANCIS HYDRANT AREA: 5 <b style="color: #4F81BD;">ST. FRANCIS NON-HYDRANT: 8
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NORTH ANOKA COUNTY EMERGENCY FOOD SHELF AND CLOSET

The North Anoka County Emergency (NACE) food shelf and closet are in partnership with all available and willing resources. They provide food and clothing for North Anoka County people in need through the generosity of our community. You are welcome to visit NACE once per month. The Clothing Closet is open during food distribution hours. Please call 763-434-7685 for further information.

LIBRARY

Anoka County Library – St. Francis

3519 Bridge Street NW

St. Francis, MN 55070

763-753-2131

POST OFFICE

<p>ST. FRANCIS POST OFFICE 3726 Bridge Street NW St. Francis, MN 55070 763-753-3435</p>	<p>HOURS: Monday – Friday 8:30 AM – 4:30 pm (Closed from noon – 1 PM) Saturday 10 AM – 12 PM</p>
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