

APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP

APPLY ONLINE AT WWW.MNCHAMBER.COM OR FAX THIS FORM TO US AT 651/292-4656 OR CALL OUR MEMBERSHIP DEPARTMENT AT 651/292-4650

COMPANY NAME			NUMBER OF FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES (FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT = 2 PART-TIME)	TOTAL DUES (SEE INVESTMENT SCHEDULE)	
REPRESENTATIVE/TITLE			COMPANY HR MANAGER		
BUSINESS DESCRIPTION			PHONE	FAX	
ADDRESS			E-MAIL		
CITY	STATE	ZIP	THE CHAMBER OFFERS VALUE-ADDED SERVICES TO MEMBERS WITH MEDICA COVERAGE. ARE YOU A MEDICA CUSTOMER? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		
PHONE	FAX		INVESTMENT ENCLOSED <input type="checkbox"/>	CREDIT CARD	VISA <input type="checkbox"/> MC <input type="checkbox"/> AMEX <input type="checkbox"/>
E-MAIL			CARD NUMBER		EXPIRATION
WEB ADDRESS			SIGNATURE		
FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:		DATE	LEG. DISTRICT	BUS. CODE	CHAMBER STAFF

INVEST IN YOUR BUSINESS

Our objective, each and every day, is to ensure that your business has the most competitive business environment possible. The Minnesota Chamber of Commerce has a century of distinguished accomplishments as the state's premier business advocacy association. Each and every member strengthens our efforts on behalf of your business and employees, and thousands of others across the state.

The Minnesota Chamber of Commerce is on your team. At the State Capitol, we are your full-time government affairs staff, shaping public policy to strengthen the business climate. We provide year-round access to key policy-makers and the state's business decision-makers. Discounts on quality insurance products and services will save you money. Our hands-on staff can guide you through the bureaucratic maze of regulatory agencies. No matter the issue, our goal is to ensure your business success.



DAVE BEITO
President
Northern State Bank
Thief River Falls

"The Minnesota Chamber addresses the big picture by working year-round to solve your everyday business problems. The top-notch staff is a valuable partner in finding solutions that fit your specific needs. As a business leader in Thief River Falls, the Minnesota Chamber keeps me connected to the policy debate in St. Paul with daily e-mails of news from around the state, an annual voting record of my state legislators on issues important to business, and events and educational opportunities offered across Minnesota."

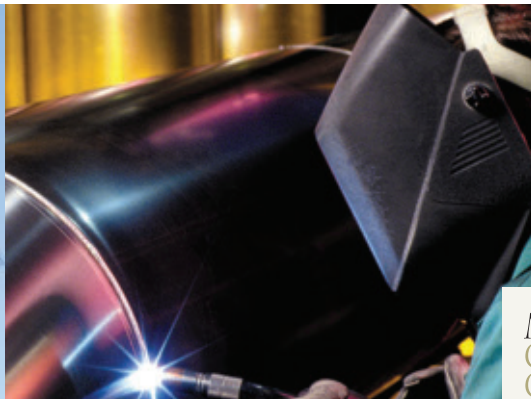


GINNY MORRIS
President
Hubbard Radio
Minneapolis

"The Minnesota Chamber is the premier organization in advancing policies that help to create and retain jobs in Minnesota. The high-caliber work of its staff makes this state a better place for employers and employees alike. If you value Minnesota's quality of life and want to grow your business in this state, there's no better investment than membership in the Minnesota Chamber."

MEMBERSHIP INVESTMENT SCHEDULE

EMPLOYEES	DUES
1-49	\$515
50-99	\$1,030
100-199	\$2,060
200-299	\$3,090
300-399	\$4,120
400-749	\$5,150
750-999	\$7,725
1,000+	CALL FOR DETAILS



MINNESOTA
CHAMBER of
COMMERCE



MEMBER BENEFITS



BUSINESS ADVOCACY

STATE LEGISLATURE

Minnesota Chamber of Commerce members set the agenda for all Minnesota employers – large and small, whether in the metropolitan area or Greater Minnesota. Your business agenda is front and center at the Capitol, thanks to the year-round grassroots efforts of our members and lobbying team.

The Minnesota Chamber consistently delivers noteworthy results. Member priorities include:

- Taxes – Ensure that state government lives within existing tax revenues.
- Education/workforce development – Address the shortage of qualified workers by enacting reforms in the K-12 system that address global competition, the achievement gap and school funding.
- Climate change – Make certain that any legislation regulating greenhouse gas emissions does not threaten job growth in Minnesota.
- Transportation – Guarantee that new money appropriated to the Department of Transportation is spent wisely and efficiently.
- Health care – Ensure that the 2008 reforms are showing measurable improvements in controlling costs and improving quality of care.

NEED ASSISTANCE NAVIGATING GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS?

The Minnesota Chamber makes certain that business interests are represented before the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and other state agencies. We've assisted numerous companies by expediting the permit process and often are engaged in the decisions of other state agencies where the cost of doing business is on the line. We are the only voice representing the business customer before the Public Utilities Commission.

WE UNDERSTAND THE IMPACT OF JUDICIAL RULINGS

Court decisions can have as much consequence to businesses as does new legislation. The Minnesota Chamber intervenes in court cases in which outcomes can have a widespread impact on employers.

WORK SMART

RECOGNIZING BUSINESS PHILANTHROPY

Businesses are modest about their giving, but we know that business contributions are at the root of successful communities across our state. Minnesota Business Gives, conducted in partnership with local chambers of commerce, is designed to motivate, educate and recognize local businesses for their important and significant contributions through their giving and community involvement. It's a win-win equation – strong businesses and strong communities.

REDUCING WASTE, SAVING MONEY FOR YOUR BUSINESS

Minnesota Wise Wise helps businesses and organizations reduce waste, save money and protect the environment. We offer technical and informational services - including a waste audit - to members to help them effectively manage their solid waste.

CONSERVE ENERGY, BOOST PROFITS

Energy Smart is a pilot initiative created under the state's Conservation Improvement Program. We help businesses identify and implement ways to reduce energy costs, then assist in sifting through the often cumbersome process of upgrading your facility and receiving rebates from your electric utility.

BUSINESS RETENTION & JOB GROWTH

BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS WITH BUSINESS OWNERS

A distinctive private-sector initiative of the Minnesota Chamber, Grow Minnesota! focuses on retaining and expanding companies. The purpose of this partnership with selected local chambers of commerce is twofold: First, to thank employers for their commitment to this state; and, to assist in resolving issues that impede their growth in Minnesota. We annually connect with about 700 business owners and CEOs, and these conversations enhance the development of our public policies.

BusinessConnection, a new business assistance and referral network, provides Minnesota businesses a single entry point to become connected with private and public resources to solve everyday business problems. The service is designed to be statewide, well publicized and easy to access. Call toll-free 1-888-MINN-BIZ or 1-888-646-6249

IN THE KNOW

The Minnesota Chamber regularly conducts and sponsors a broad range of research which supports our work on specific policy issues. We are the first call for help on statewide business policy issues, specific business problems and business expansion assistance.

ACCESS AND EDUCATION

HELPING YOU STAY INFORMED

Members receive up-to-date and accurate information when it comes to what's happening on business issues. A monthly newsletter, bimonthly legislative e-mail updates and issue alerts are among the communications that keep everyone abreast of actions at the Capitol. The Morning Digest, an e-newsletter delivered each business day, offers a glance at the top Minnesota, national and International news stories and commentary on issues that affect the business community.

UNPRECEDENTED ACCESS

When the Minnesota Chamber speaks, policy-makers take notice. Our members meet quarterly with the governor, and staff routinely has the attention of House and Senate leaders. We are the first call for media seeking the viewpoint of the business community.

EDUCATING BUSINESS LEADERS

Leadership Minnesota gives key executives of 30 member companies a look at Minnesota's changing economy and the issues that will shape its future. This series of five, two-day sessions throughout the state is an exclusive offering of the Minnesota Chamber.

HIGH-LEVEL NETWORKING

The Minnesota Chamber brings together the largest cross-section of business leaders and statewide policy-makers to its events. The events offer business development opportunities on a statewide level.

MEMBERS SET THE AGENDA

The Minnesota Chamber defines grassroots participation. Join a policy committee and help set the business agenda. These committees are the backbone of the organization and annually develop policies on nearly 50 business issues spanning everything from taxes, health care and transportation to education/workforce development, environment and labor/management.

BUSINESS SOLUTIONS

Minnesota Chamber Business Services keeps our members updated on laws and regulations that have an impact on their everyday operations. Business Services, a subsidiary of the Minnesota Chamber, also provides our members access to group employee benefits, human resources products and services free or at reduced or competitive rates. We offer these in partnership with industry leaders.

KEEP CURRENT ON LAWS

Laws and regulations are enacted every year at the state and federal levels that affect all sizes and types of businesses. Our e-newsletters keep human resources departments abreast of these rules and, more importantly, help companies interpret and implement these laws to guarantee compliance.

SAVE MONEY ON EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Members have access to a no-obligation quote on health, life, disability, dental and long-term care insurance products as well as benefit administrative services including flex and COBRA administration and consolidated billing. Our workers' compensation package offers discount rates and provides tips to ensure a safe workplace.

HUMAN RESOURCES ASSISTANCE

Members have access to management and employee training programs integral to running their businesses. Available materials include employment law guides, mandated posters and national and state surveys, plus free access to standardized personnel and employment templates.

"Smyth Companies has accessed a number of product offerings from Business Services. We have found the group life and disability insurance fit the needs of our workforce and our budget. We have also utilized the federal and state employment law manual, a desktop reference guide, which addresses the issues we may face in today's changing workplace. We have been very pleased both with the quality of these products and the member discount."

Carol Fanjul, Corporate Human Resources Administrator, Smyth Companies, St. Paul

POLITICAL ACTION

GET OUT THE VOTE

The Minnesota Chamber leads the business community's nonpartisan Get Out the Vote initiative. A statewide network makes us the premier organization to mobilize business voters.

PRO-BUSINESS CANDIDATE SUPPORT

The Minnesota Chamber Leadership Fund supports candidates who support business. The Leadership Fund, a nonpartisan Political Action Committee, endorses and helps elect pro-business candidates for the Legislature.

CAMPAIGN AND ELECTION INFORMATION

Do you want to vote or provide information on elections to employees? We stand ready to assist through the Minnesota Prosperity Project.