



Community Facilities and Resources

Government

Rice County is committed to providing efficient and cost-effective services for county residents. This is accomplished through various departmental operations. Rice County's government administration buildings are primarily located in Faribault, with a satellite office located in Northfield.

Government Services Building

320 3rd Street N.W.
Faribault, MN 55021

Departments

ADMINISTRATION Responsibilities include proper administration of affairs for the county - general supervision of all county institutions, agencies, department heads and employees.

ASSESSOR Responsibilities include discovering, listing and valuing all taxable property, both real and personal, for ad valorem tax purposes.

AUDITOR/TREASURER Responsibilities include calculating rates and preparing tax information, tax statements, and "Truth in Taxation" notices.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES - (PLANNING & ZONING) Responsibilities include preparing and implementing the County Comprehensive Plan and plans for all townships, issuing building permits and on-site sewer permits, and issuing conditional use and administrative permits.



HUMAN RESOURCES Responsibilities include providing employee services such as compensation, recruitment, selection, labor relations, employee benefit programs, termination, personnel policies and procedures, and training.

INFORMATION SERVICES Responsibilities include planning and forecasting, researching new technology uses, operating and maintain computer equipment, administering the county network, and providing GIS services.

PARKS AND FACILITIES Responsibilities include planning, managing and conducting the physical operation, maintenance and capital renewal of Rice County buildings, parks, and other facilities.

PUBLIC HEALTH Responsibilities include providing programs that work to protect, maintain and improve the health of people in Rice County via disease prevention and control, health promotion and wellness, home health care, emergency preparedness, family child health services, and long term care.

RECORDER Responsibilities include functioning as the custodian of all property and vital statistic records (birth, marriage, death, passports) in Rice County.

VETERANS' SERVICES Responsibilities include assisting veterans in obtaining their military discharge documents, enrolling in the VA health care system, scheduling transportation to VA Medical Centers, filing claims, and assisting with burial benefits.

SOCIAL SERVICES Responsibilities include providing community-supported social services and financial assistance for eligible people to promote their dignity and independence. Programs include child support, adult and child foster care, mental health, chemical dependency, and income maintenance.

Law Enforcement, Jail, Community Corrections

Jail/Sheriff's Office
118 3rd Street N.W.
Faribault, MN 55021

Community Corrections
128 3rd Street N.W.
Faribault, MN 55021

Departments

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS Responsibilities include: working closely with criminal justice system stakeholders, schools, victim service agencies, youth service agencies, social services and community groups to address the characteristics of offenders that lead to recidivism.



SHERIFF Responsibilities include upholding and enforcing the laws, preserving the peace, and respecting differences between people while providing for a safe environment.

Rice County Courthouse

218 3rd Street N.W.
Faribault, MN 55021

Departments

ATTORNEY Responsibilities include providing a broad range of legal activities within Rice County.



COURT ADMINISTRATION Responsibilities include providing staff support for a full range of court operations for the District Court and for processing and managing all records and files of the court.

COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Responsibilities include: setting a budget, levying taxes to finance county services, providing aid to constituents as their elected representatives, and appointing members to County Board committees. The board functions as the legislative and policy making board of Rice County.

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Rice County Highway

610 20th Street N.W.
Faribault, MN 55021

Departments

HIGHWAY Responsibilities include planning, constructing and maintaining a system of highways and bridges, and facilitating the safe and efficient movement of people and goods throughout the county.



Rice County Solid Waste/Recycling Facility

3800 – 145th Street East
Dundas, MN 55019

Departments

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES - RECYCLING & SOLID WASTE Responsibilities include properly collecting and safely disposing of waste generated by the residents and businesses of Rice County in a manner that is environmentally safe.



University of Minnesota Extension Services

(Fairgrounds/4-H Building)
1900 Fairgrounds Drive - #17
Faribault, MN 55021

Departments

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA EXTENSION

SERVICES Responsibilities include providing issue-based education programs and consultations in Agriculture, 4-H Youth Development, Home Economics, and Community Resource Development.



Jail Annex Building

2119 Highway 60 West
Faribault, MN 55021

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