

2025



Prior Lake is a vibrant and welcoming life-long community, offering a high quality of life and a small-town feel.

# ANNUAL REPORT CITY OF PRIOR LAKE

## MESSAGE

### FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Welcome to the City of Prior Lake's 2025 Annual Report. This report gives residents a snapshot of the City's activities and financial stewardship over the past year. The document is organized by the City's budget categories to illustrate how your tax dollars are allocated. Public safety remains a top priority within our budget with more than half our total expenditures dedicated to Police and Fire. In 2025, we added two new positions, Fire Marshal and Police Officer.

The City initiated an Alternative Urban Areawide Review (AUAR) in 2025 for the orderly annexation area in Spring Lake Township. The AUAR evaluates how the area may develop and assesses potential impacts related to traffic, water resources, utilities, and infrastructure and should be completed in spring 2026. More information about the AUAR, the annual budget, and other items contained within this report can be found at [www.priorlakemn.gov](http://www.priorlakemn.gov).

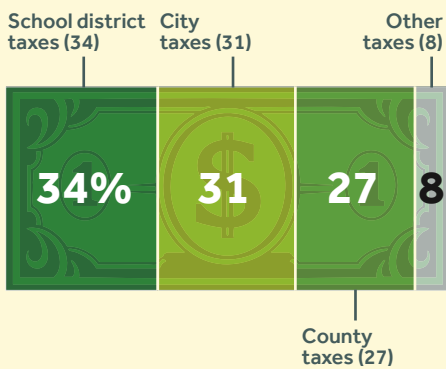
There are many positive developments underway in our community, and we are proud to serve you as we work to ensure Prior Lake remains an exceptional place to live. I encourage you to stay up-to-date and connected by following the City on social media and signing up for our bi-weekly e-newsletter through our website.

—Jason Wedel, City Manager

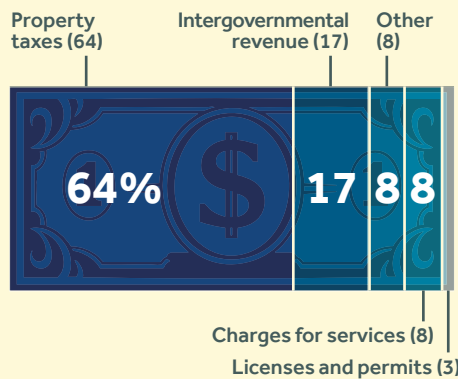
## ANNUAL BUDGET

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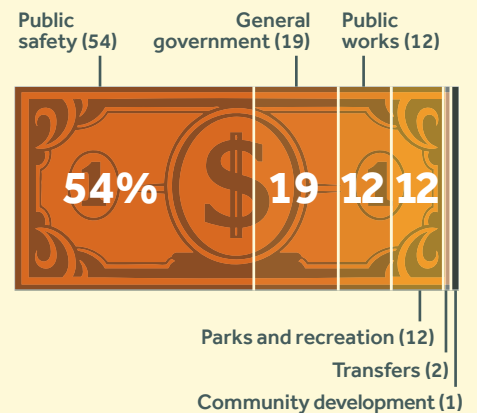
### PROPERTY TAXES



### GENERAL FUND



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The City of Prior Lake earned a **AAA bond rating** from Standard and Poor's



In 2025, the city received **\$1.1 million** in federal and state grants and **\$2.4 million** from alternative revenue sources to support public safety.

54% of budget

# PUBLIC SAFETY

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

CALLS FOR SERVICE	23,862
CALLS RESULTING IN ARREST	702
DWI	104
REPORTS OF FRAUD	193
BURGLARIES	26
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS	18



2025 Police Department Employees of the Year:  
Amanda Ley, Police Officer  
and Heidi Burton, Evidence Technician

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

CALLS FOR SERVICE	2,273
MEDICAL	1,628
VEHICLE ACCIDENTS	102
FIRES	71



## BUILDING PERMIT INSPECTIONS

5,100



LIFE SAFETY & EMERGENCY PLANNING BUILDING INSPECTIONS  
370

1% of budget

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Construction started on the 9,500 sq. ft. mixed-use redevelopment project that will include Chula's Mexican-Latin Restaurant slated to open spring 2026.

PERMITS ISSUED FOR SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES 47

TOTAL PERMIT VALUATION \$56.1 MILLION

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL SPACE ADDED 57,000+ SF

CODE ENFORCEMENT INSPECTIONS 1,500

1,137

Junk signs removed from right of way



12% of budget

# PUBLIC WORKS

## 1.9 miles

Wilds Parkway reconstruction with new trail along West side



MILES OF STREET IMPROVED

1.9 MILES

UTILITY FAILURES REPAIRED

5

WATER CONSUMPTION

829 MILLION GALLONS

(4% higher than in 2024)

PEAK CONSUMPTION DAY

5 MILLION GALLONS

on May 14, 2025 (2.5 times higher than average)

## SNOW EVENTS 14

STAFF HOURS

1,570

TOTAL COST

\$188,810

(includes labor, equipment, and salt)

## SERVICE REQUESTS FROM RESIDENTS 921

SNOW PLOWING 187

ROAD MAINTENANCE OR CONSTRUCTION 72

TREES 179

STREET SIGN/ STREET LIGHT 66

PARKS MAINTENANCE/ MOWING 38

### TO REPORT A CONCERN:

[www.priorlakemn.gov/how-do-i/report](http://www.priorlakemn.gov/how-do-i/report)



Funded by a \$1million federal grant, the TH13 trail segment from CSAH42 to Oakland Beach Avenue SE opened in October 2025.

PARTICIPANTS IN YOUTH PROGRAMS 1,587

COMMUNITY EVENT ATTENDEES 7,100

VOLUNTEER HOURS FOR COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES 790



12% of budget

# PARKS & RECREATION



PARK FACILITY RENTALS 303

ACRES OF PARKS AND NATURAL AREAS MOWED 385

VISITS TO CLUB PRIOR 6,850



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# THE CORA MCQUESTION SPIRIT OF PRIOR LAKE AWARD



**Dawn Schulberg**, owner of Premiere Dance Academy, was honored with the 2025 Spirit of Prior Lake Award.

To nominate, go to [www.priorlakemn.gov](http://www.priorlakemn.gov)



## 2026 ELECTIONS

- **Primary Election Day: August 11**  
*Early voting for primary election starts June 26*
- **General Election: November 3**  
*Early voting for general election begins September 18*

For voting locations, times, and extended hours, go to:

[www.priorlakemn.gov/elections](http://www.priorlakemn.gov/elections)

# 2026 EVENTS

## AT A GLANCE

Music in Lakefront Park	May 15	6:00-8:00pm
<b>Somethin' Bout a Truck</b> <i>Maintenance Center</i>	May 19	4:00-7:00pm
Music in Lakefront Park	June 5	6:00-8:00pm
<b>Coin Carnival</b> <i>Lakefront Park</i>	June 12	4:00-7:00pm
<b>Sand Point Beach Party</b>	July 10	11:00am-2:00pm
<b>Lakefront Music Fest</b> <i>Hosted by Prior Lake Rotary Club</i>	July 10 - 11	lakefrontmusicfest.com
Music in Lakefront Park	July 24	6:00-7:00pm
<b>Night to Unite</b>	August 4	neighborhoods
<b>Prior Lake Days - Downtown</b> <i>Hosted by Prior Lake Chamber of Commerce</i>	August 7 August 8	6:30-8:30pm 11:00am-6:00pm
<b>Muddy Buddy Run at Lakefront Park</b> <i>Pre-registration required</i>	August 14	10:00am-11:30am
<b>Pick Up Truck Opera</b> <i>Lakefront Park</i>	August 21	6:30-8:00pm
Music in Lakefront Park	August 28	6:00-8:00pm
<b>Chalkfest</b> <i>Downtown Prior Lake</i>	September 18 September 19	4:00-8:00pm 9:00am-4:00pm
<b>Candy Crawl</b> <i>Downtown Prior Lake</i>	October 30	10:00am-1:00pm
<b>DecemBRRR Dazzle with Tree Lighting</b> <i>Lakefront Park</i>	December 4	5:30-8:00pm



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