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*Projects connect community partners to resources within the University of Minnesota and throughout the state.*

The University of Minnesota, Morris Center for Small Towns (CST) seeks proposals through November 10 for community-based service projects. Projects employ the skills of University students, staff, and faculty to provide comprehensive services to small communities, connecting community partners to resources within the University of Minnesota and throughout the state.

CST works closely with community-oriented groups including nonprofits, K–12 schools, local governments, and chambers of commerce, providing assistance in brokering resources, program evaluation, applied research and information, and community planning and development. Previous projects have addressed issues such as housing, youth development, local food systems, community diversity, sustainability, communications, technology education, downtown revitalization, and more.

Many CST service projects have been completed under the auspices of the Connecting Students and Communities (CSC) Program. CSC benefits communities and organizations by helping to identify, understand, and initiate action on specific needs, pressing issues, and emerging trends. A collaborative effort between CST and the [University of Minnesota Central and Southwest Regional Sustainable Development Partnership \(RSDP\)](#), CSC has two goals: to assist communities and organizations with self-identified issues and projects and to create opportunities for Morris students to engage with and contribute to small communities.

All project applications are due Friday, November 10. To apply online, visit [www4.morris.umn.edu/center-small-towns](http://www4.morris.umn.edu/center-small-towns). For more information or assistance or to request a paper application, contact Community Program Administrator Amy S. Mondloch at [mond1010@morris.umn.edu](mailto:mond1010@morris.umn.edu) or 320-589-6453.