GOVERNMENT INNOVATION AND COOPERATION BOARD
An Inventory of Its Records

OVERVIEW OF THE RECORDS

Series Title: Records,
Abstract: Records documenting the duties and activities of this facilitative board, particularly its oversight of administration waivers and exemptions, cooperative local government mergers, and a grants program.
Quantity: 12.75 cu. ft. (13 boxes).
Location: See Detailed Description section for box locations.

HISTORY OF THE GOVERNMENT INNOVATION AND COOPERATION BOARD

The Board of Government Innovation and Cooperation was created by the Legislature in 1993 to facilitate improved quality and efficiency in the delivery of services by local governments [Laws 1993 c375 a15]. The board provided incentives for innovation and cooperation through waivers of administrative rules and limited exemptions from enforcement of procedural laws, authorization of and aid to cooperative mergers of local government, and administration of a competitive grants program, primarily to fund pilot projects that would benefit other local governments. The Legislature repealed the Board’s statutory authority and eliminated its appropriation in 2002 [Laws 2002 c220 a10 s8, s40]. The competitive grant and consolidation aid programs were terminated and all remaining funds transferred to the Department of Finance.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE RECORDS

INDEX TERMS

This collection is indexed under the following headings in the catalog of the Minnesota Historical Society. Researchers desiring materials about related topics, persons or places should search the catalog using these headings.

Topics:
- Intergovernmental cooperation—Minnesota.
- Intergovernmental fiscal relations—Minnesota.
- Organizational change—Minnesota.
- State-local relations—Minnesota.

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

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Location
102.D.3.8F
Board meeting files and minutes, 1993-2002.
- Incomplete; include agendas, minutes, decision items, applications to the agency, waiver/exemption requests, consolidation requests, grant requests, correspondence, staff recruitment descriptions, budgets, news clippings, and certificates of commendation.
Location
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Congratulations letter, 1996.
Congress testimony, September 2000.
Feasibility of adjusting county boundaries in Minnesota, 1995-1997. 7 folders.
Background reports, 1995-1996.
Focus groups, [ca. 1996].
Senate Operations Committee, January 1996.
Summary Report, January 1996.
Survey results, [ca. 1996].
General, 1993-1996.
Grants received by Board papers, 1999. 3 folders.
Innovations Award application, 2001. 2 folders.
Management Analysis Division, 1999-2000.
Rejected pre-applications, 1999. 2 folders.
Includes mission statements, program explanations, synopsis of waivers and exemptions, and synopsis of closed out innovative and cooperative pilot projects.
Testimonials, 1999.
What is the Board, [ca. 2001].
Location

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  Correspondence, applications, planning proposals, feasibility studies, and contracts from counties, cities, villages, and towns that developed a plan to provide combined services and consolidate into a single unit of government.

Cooperation and consolidation/combination, [ca. 2001].


Local funding consolidation draft guidelines, 1995.


Metro Counties, April 1995.


Norwood-Young America, 1994-2000. 3 folders.


Rockville, 2002. 2 folders.

Rushford-Rushford Village, 1994-1996. 2 folders.


Virginia/Franklin, 1994.


Winona Township/City of Goodview, 1995.


  Include contact logs, correspondence, applicant’s background information, justifications for a waiver/exemption, agreements between the Board and other government agencies, progress reports, and rule waiver/statute exemption information requests. In the dated files, W stands for Waiver/Exemptions, followed by the year and a chronological case assignment number. Missing 2001.


Location

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Lists of missing files, waiver numbers, applicant agencies,
rule/statute citations, state agencies, board actions, and request
status.

1993.
W-93-01 - W-93-03, Rice County.  3 folders.
W-93-04 - W-93-09, Hennepin.  7 folders.
W-93-10 - W-93-11, Lake of the Woods.  2 folders.
W-93-12, St. Louis County.
W-93-13 - W-93-21, Olmsted.  9 folders.
W-93-22, Lake of the Woods.
W-93-23, Olmsted.

1994.
W-94-01, Brown County.
W-94-02, Dakota County.
W-94-03, Anoka.
W-94-04, Kenyon.
W-94-05, Ramsey.
W-94-06, St. Louis Park.
W-94-07, Wilkin County.
W-94-08 - W-94-10, Ramsey.  4 folders.

1995.
W-95-01, Renville County.
W-95-02, Big Stone County.
W-95-03 - W-95-04, Washington County.  2 folders.
W-95-05, City of St. Cloud.
W-95-06, Crow Wing County.
W-95-07, Washington County.
W-95-08 - W-95-10, Ramsey County.  2 folders.
W-95-11, Itasca County.
W-95-12, Independent School District No. 451,
Ceylon/Fairmont.
W-95-13, United South Central.
W-95-14, City of Minnetonka.
W-95-15, Ramsey County.
W-95-16 - W-95-17, Anoka County.  2 folders.
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1996.
- W-96-01, Itasca County. 2 folders.
- W-96-02 - W-96-04, Norwood-Young America. 3 folders.
- W-96-05, Stearns County.
- W-96-06, Stearns/Benton County.
- W-96-07, Rock County- Pinnacle Program.
- W-96-08, City of Roseville.
- W-96-09, Faribault and Martin County Human Services and Transport.
- W-96-10, Independent School District No. 638, Sanborn.

1997.
- W-97-01, Otter Tail County Social Services.
- W-97-02, Hennepin County.
- W-97-03, Monticello Public Schools.
- W-97-04, West Central Transit Board.
- W-97-05, Minnesota Environmental Science and Economic Review Board [MESRB].
- W-97-06, Seniors Agenda for Independent Living [SAIL], Dakota, Washington, Ramsey.

1998.
- W-98-01, City of North Mankato.

1999.

2000.
- W-00-01, Wabedo Township/Cass County.
- W-00-02 - W-00-04, Long Lake, Orono. 3 folders.
- W-00-05, Otter Tail County.

2002.
- W-02-01, Minneapolis Website. 2 folders.
- W-02-02, St. Paul Website.

Include correspondence, project plans and descriptions, progress reports, quarterly financial reports, newspaper clippings, pre-applications, final applications, contracts, contact logs, and budgets. The dated files use the following abbreviations for the type of grant: Cooperation Planning [CP], Service Sharing [SS], Service Budget Management Model [SBMM], and Land and Water Resources [LWR]; followed by the year and a chronological case assignment number. 1996 and post-2000 are missing.

Application requests, 1997.
Grant applications, 1999-2000. 3 folders.
Location

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  - Lists of grant numbers, applicant agencies, project abstracts, funding awarded, addresses, contract status, local government associations, and correspondence.
- Grant pre-applications, 1997-2000.
- Grant reviews, 1997-1998. 3 folders.
- Non-funded grants, 1995.
  - CP-93-14, Co-op Northwest. 2 folders.

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- CP-93-14, Co-op Northwest. 2 folders.
- CP-93-23, Bayport. 5 folders.
- CP-93-25, Clearwater. 3 folders.
- CP-93-31, Breckenridge. 2 folders.
- CP-93-46, Halstad. 6 folders.
- CP-93-47, Faribault. 4 folders.
- CP-93-51, Cass County.
- SBMM-93-04, Carlton. 3 folders.
- SBMM-93-08, Clearwater. 2 folders.
- SS-93-03, Fridley. 2 folders.

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- SS-93-14, Hutchinson. 2 folders.
- SS-93-17, City of Shorewood. 3 folders.
- SS-93-18, Lakes Community Recreation. 3 folders.
- SS-93-22, Western Area Cities Cooperative [WACCO]. 2 folders.
- SS-93-24, Northwest Hennepin League of Municipalities. 3 folders.
- SS-93-26, Rice, Steele, Dodge, and Waseca Counties. 3 folders.

1994.

- CP-94-006, Cass County. 2 folders.
- CP-94-020, Stearns County.
- CP-94-023, Two Harbors. 3 folders.
- CP-94-027, Norwood-Young America. 3 folders.
- CP-94-049, Olmsted. 3 folders.
- CP-94-058, Rum River Interdistrict. 2 folders.
- CP-94-060, St. Louis County. 3 folders.
- CP-94-072, Rush City. 2 folders.
Location

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- CP-94-082, Cannon Falls. 3 folders.
- CP-94-097, St. Paul. 2 folders.
- SBMM-94-004, Ramsey County. 3 folders.
- SBMM-94-009, Nobles County. 2 folders.
- SBMM-94-012, Hennepin. 4 folders.
- SBMM-94-021, [CP], White Bear Lake. 2 folders.
- SS-94-004, Hennepin.
- SS-94-011, Crow Wing County. 2 folders.
- SS-94-016, Cass County/Leech Lake Reservation. 2 folders.
- SS-94-021, Kittson County. 2 folders.
- SS-94-024, Dakota County. 2 folders.
- SS-94-032, Rainbow Rider [Stevens County]. 2 folders.
- SS-94-036, Washington County.
- SS-94-043, Becker County. 3 folders.
- SS-94-051, Northwest Metro 916. 2 folders.
- SS-94-058, Dakota County. 2 folders.
- SS-94-062, Itasca County. 2 folders.
- SS-94-074, Cook County. 2 folders.

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- SS-94-082, Kanabec County. 2 folders.
- SS-94-101, Ramsey County.
- SS-94-102, Anoka County. 2 folders.
- SS-94-104, Ramsey County.
- SS-94-106, Solid Waste Management. 2 folders.
- SS-94-109, South Central Educational Cooperative.
- SS-94-112, Brown County. 3 folders.
- SS-94-114, City of Duluth. 2 folders.
- SS-94-117, Blue Earth County. 3 folders.

1995.

- CP-95-01, City of Garrison. 6 folders.
- CP-95-02, Fridley.
- CP-95-08, Hennepin. 4 folders.

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- CP-95-09, Quad Cities. 4 folders.
- CP-95-14, Murray County.
- CP-95-15, Region Nine Development Commission. 4 folders.
- CP-95-16, Rock County. 3 folders.
- CP-95-17, Region Nine Development Commission. 5 folders.
- CP-95-27, Hennepin.
- SBMM-95-06, Koochiching County. 3 folders.
- SBMM-95-07, Dakota County. 2 folders.
- SS-95-02, Carlton County. 3 folders.
- SS-95-06, Stearns County.
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102.D.4.7B  SS-95-11, South Central Minnesota Inter-Library Exchange.  SS-95-16, City of Plymouth.  3 folders.  SS-95-22, Rice County.  2 folders.  SS-95-24, Anoka County.  SS-95-31, Western Area Cities Cooperative.  3 folders.  SS-95-32, Ramsey County.  SS-95-33, Carver County.  4 folders.  SS-95-34, Dakota County-First Call of Minnesota.  4 folders.


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SBMM-99-04, Minneapolis Fire Department.
SBMM-99-06, Renville County.
SBMM-99-08, West St. Paul.
SBMM-99-10, Ramsey County.
SS-99-02, Cass County.
SS-99-05, Rice County. 3 folders.
SS-99-07, Longville.
SS-99-10, Wadena.
SS-99-12, Stearns County.
SS-99-17 - SS-99-18, Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission. 2 folders.
SS-99-22, Itasca County.
SS-99-24, Virginia Regional Medical Center.
SS-99-27, Arrowhead. 3 folders.
SS-99-30, Aitkin County.
SS-99-39, Metropolitan Library Service Agency [MELSA].

102.D.4.10F
SS-99-44, Minnesota Planning.
SS-99-45, Cold Spring. 3 folders.
SS-99-47, Ramsey County.

2000.
CP-00-03, Southwest/West Central Service Cooperatives.
CP-00-04, Pipestone.
CP-00-06, Fergus Falls.
CP-00-07, Region Nine Development Commission.
CP-00-17, Wabasha Soil and Water Conservation District.
LWR-00-01, Lake Superior Soil and Water Conservation District.
LWR-00-02, South Central. 2 folders.
LWR-00-04, Hennepin County.
LWR-00-05, Volunteer Stream Monitoring.
LWR-00-06, Wetland Conservation.
LWR-00-07, Stearns County.
LWR-00-08, Wabasha County.
SBMM-00-02, Headwaters Regional Development Commission.
SBMM-00-03, Ramsey Human Services. 3 folders.
SS-00-12, Stearns County.

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