

Weekly Statewide Food Security Work Group

Food Bank and Food Shelf Partner Check In

April 23, 2020



Agenda

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- Welcome, Introductions, and Background
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- Survey Process and results
- Communications and Funding Updates
- Transportation
- Complete Survey
- Contact Information
- Wrap up and next steps
- Regional Discussions

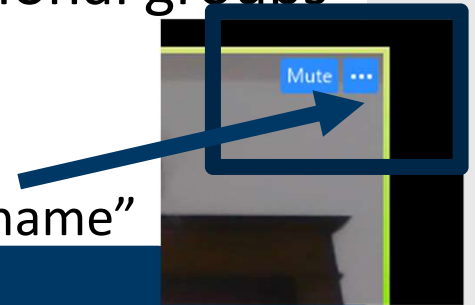
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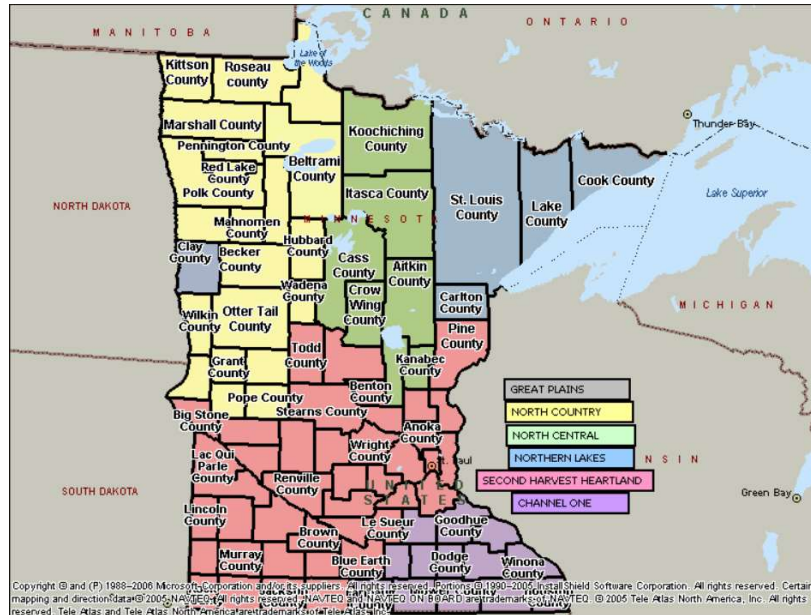


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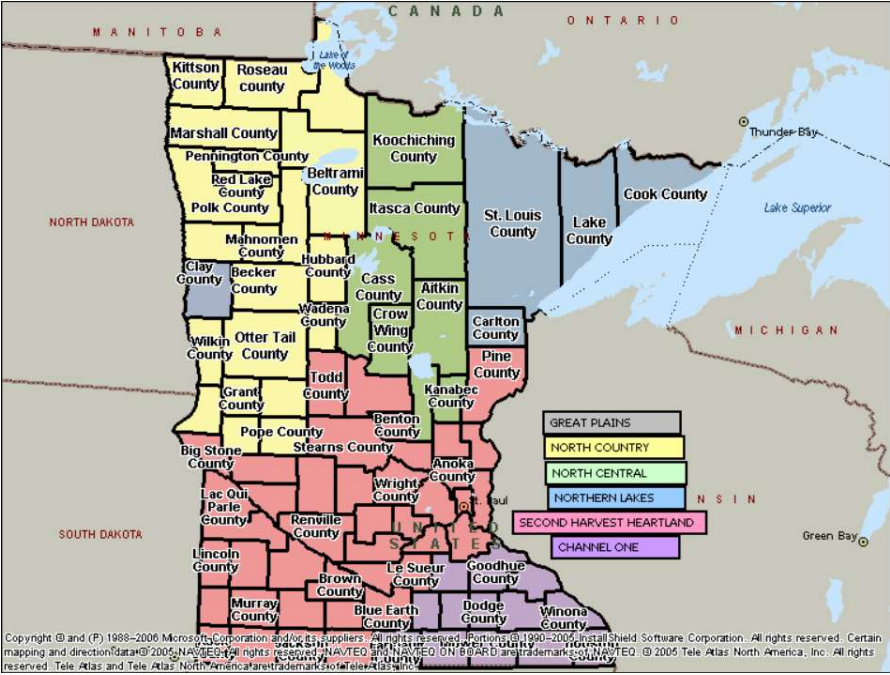
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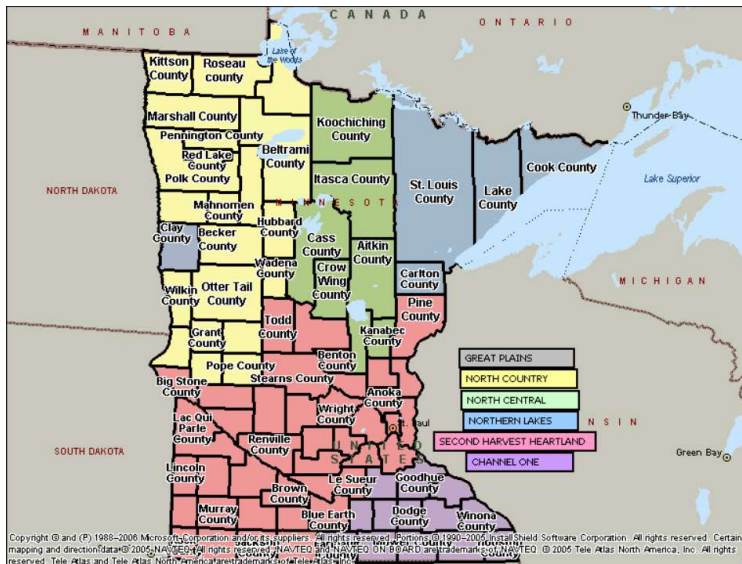
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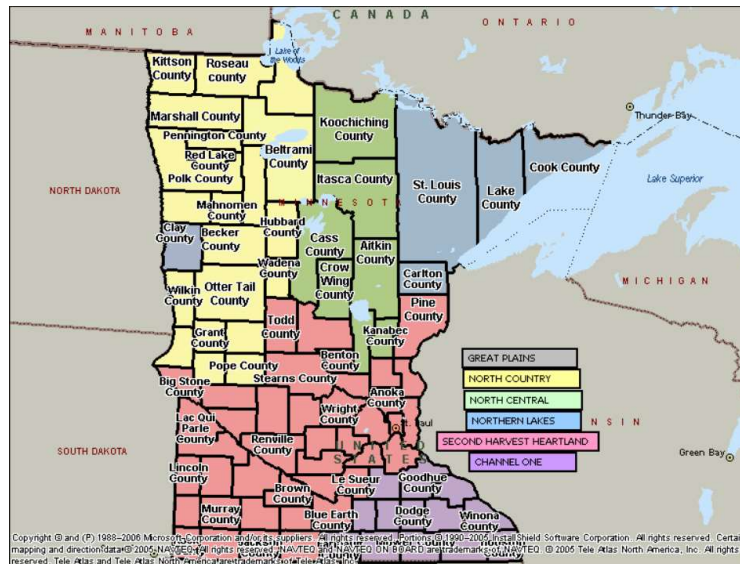


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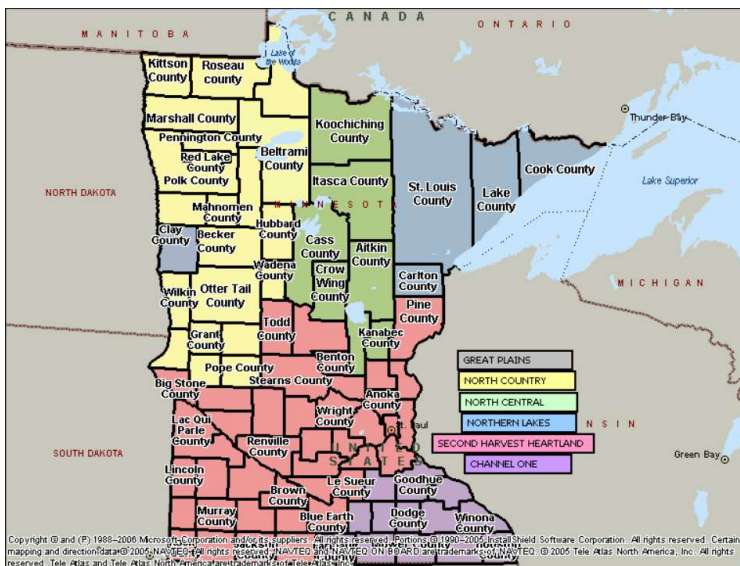
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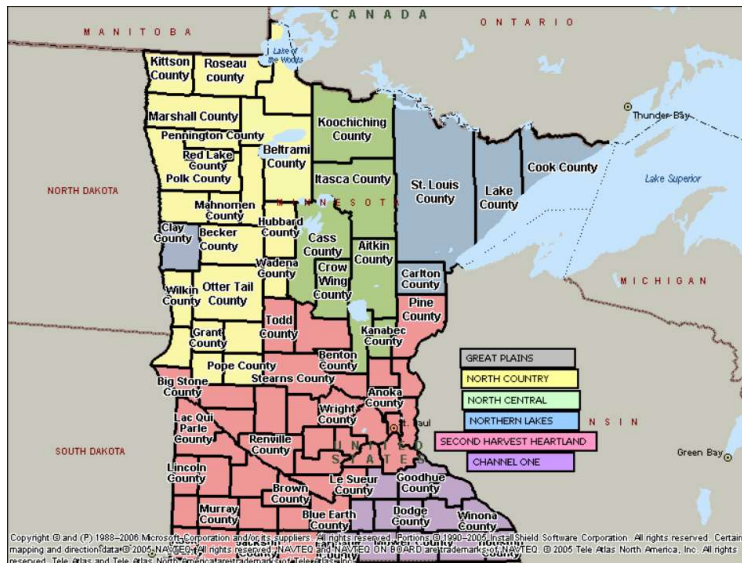
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Welcome, Introductions, Background

- Welcome
- Meeting Participants
- Background

Food Security Work Group

Mission

Ensure that all Minnesotans have access to stable food supplies during the duration of and recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic and that Minnesotans do not need to put themselves in harm's way to access that food

Food Security Work Group Strategies

Strategies

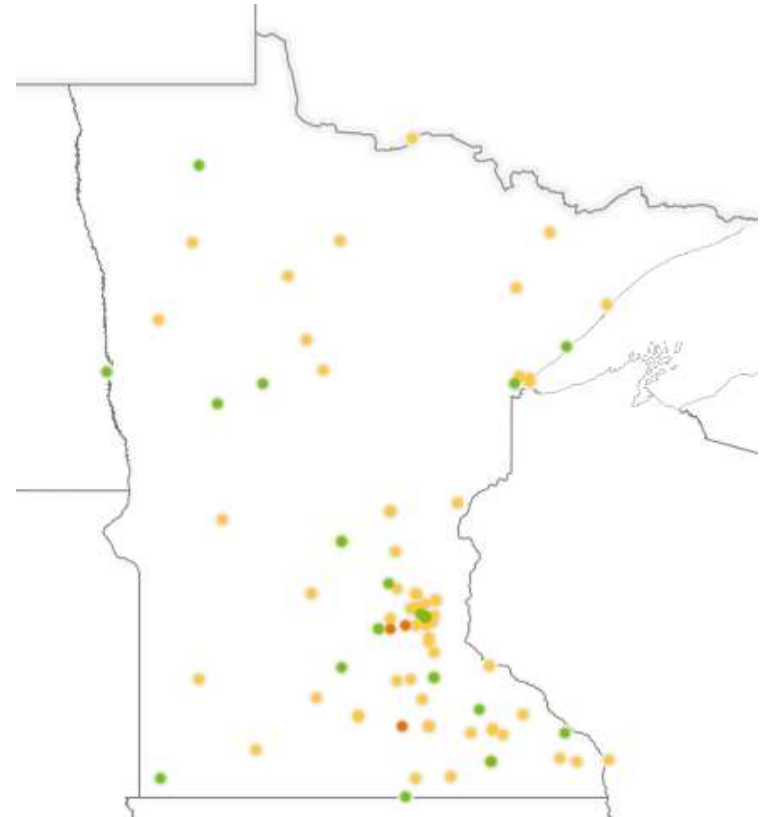
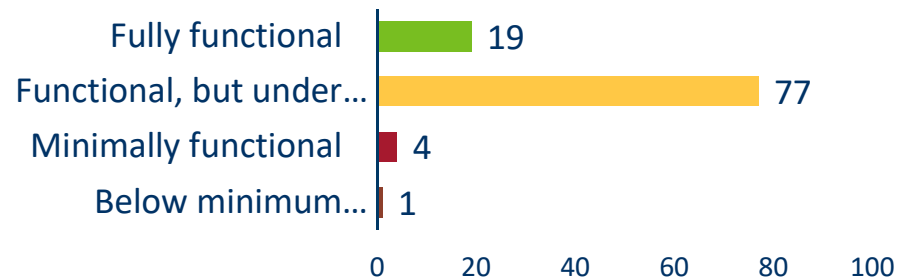
1. Support food banks and food shelves so they can meet statewide household demand
2. Expand availability, access, and support for all Public Benefit Food Support programs
3. Provide access to meals for all children for duration of and recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic
4. Engage with Tribal Nations and ensure they experience food security
5. Serve as a source of needs coordination and resource distribution via the SEOC
6. Partner with nonprofit and corporate leaders to provide meals across MN
7. Ensure stability and continuity in the overall food supply chain

Survey Process and results

- 101 responses
- General trends we are hearing:

Food shelf operational status (as of 4/17)

Operational Status of Organizations
(Total responses = 101)



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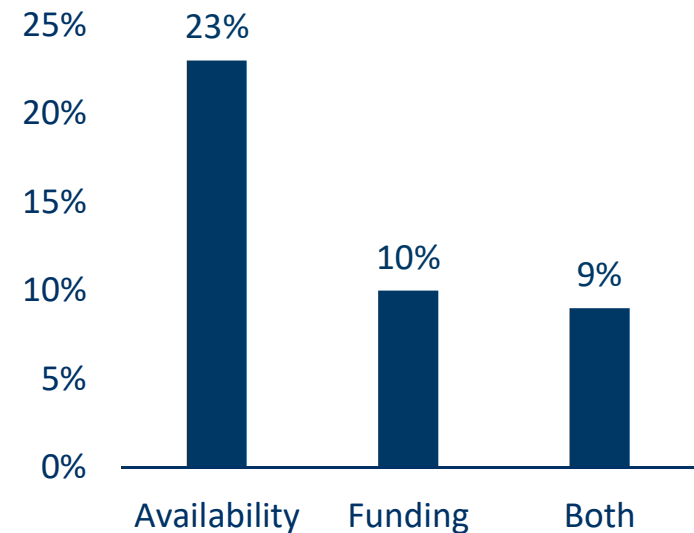
Current challenges

Food and Availability Challenges, by Food Type

Dairy		Fresh Produce	
Availability	41%	Availability	31%
Funding	8%	Funding	5%
Both	6%	Both	3%
No Answer	44%	No Answer	61%

Meat		Shelf Stable Goods	
Availability	36%	Availability	38%
Funding	8%	Funding	6%
Both	5%	Both	8%
No Answer	51%	No Answer	47%

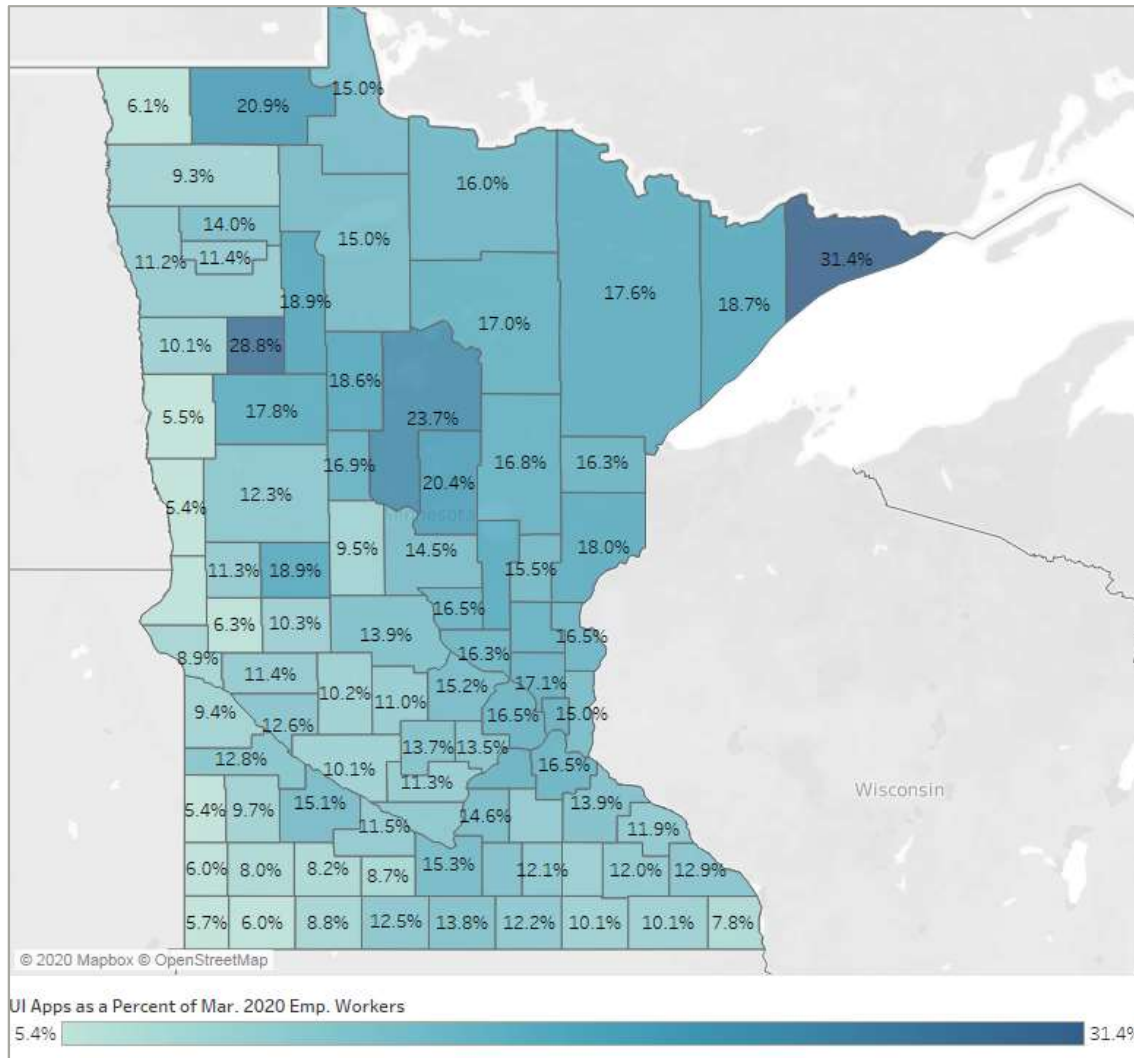
Challenges with Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)



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Unemployment Insurance Applications

through 04/20 as a percentage of total employed workers, March 2020, by county



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Transportation Insights

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Federal TEFAP Updates

- Find product listings, available options, and estimated timelines on Hunger Solutions' TEFAP website (under "Resources," click on "Product Calendar"

<http://www.hungersolutions.org/programs/food-shelf-capacity/tefap/>

Material Desc.	Category	April	May	June	July	August	September	
Dairy								Bonus
BUTTER PRINT SALTED CTN-36/1LB	Dairy							Entitlement
CHEESE BLEND AMER SKM LVS-12/2 LB	Dairy							Trade Mitigation
CHEESE CHED YEL CHUNKS-PKG 12/1 LB	Dairy							Combinations
CHEESE CHED YEL SHRED-PKG 6/2 LB	Dairy							
EGGS 15 DOZEN	Dairy							
EGGS WHOLE FRZ CTN-12/2 LB	Dairy							
MILK 1% FRESH CTR-64 FL OZ	Dairy							
MILK INSTANT NDM PKG-24/12.8 OZ	Dairy							

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State Funding Updates

Food Shelf & Transportation Fund Applications due April 30!

- Applications posted online AND sent via postal mail.
<http://www.hungersolutions.org/covid-19-grants/>

Food Shelf Funds (up to \$2.5 million)

- For purchase of food, diapers, toilet paper and other necessary supplies and equipment for eligible food shelves (those currently receiving MFSP funds).
- Eligible food shelves will receive \$2,000 each in base funding.
 - Remaining funds (approximately one full year of MN Food Shelf Program State grant funds) will be allocated among eligible food shelves using MFSP formula, based on number of individuals served.

Transportation Support Funds (at least \$2.64 million)

- Support transportation efforts such as mobile food shelves, transportation networks, meal programs, and other support services that transport free food assistance to people in need

DHS Communications Resources

- DHS website centralizing resources on food support
<https://mn.gov/dhs/food-emergency/>
- Emergency SNAP announcement
<http://mn.gov/dhs/media/news/index.jsp?id=1053-429400>
- SNAP Screening Flyer
<https://edocs.dhs.state.mn.us/lfserver/Public/DHS-3529A-ENG>
- Public Charge Reminders During Pandemic
English: <https://edocs.dhs.state.mn.us/lfserver/Public/DHS-8044C-ENG>
Hmong: <https://edocs.dhs.state.mn.us/lfserver/Public/DHS-8044C-HMN>
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Weekly Check In – Data gathering

- <https://z.umn.edu/foodsecuritysurvey>

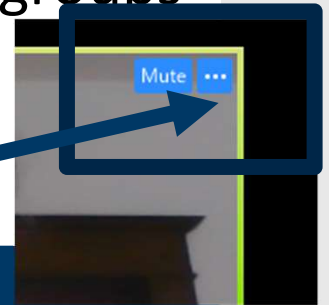
Governor Walz's Food Security Work Group is rolling out this weekly survey of food banks and shelves. Weekly survey results will be shared directly with the Governor's Office to help inform needs and align resources in support of your work.

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- SEOC follow-up on results from survey and break out session notes.

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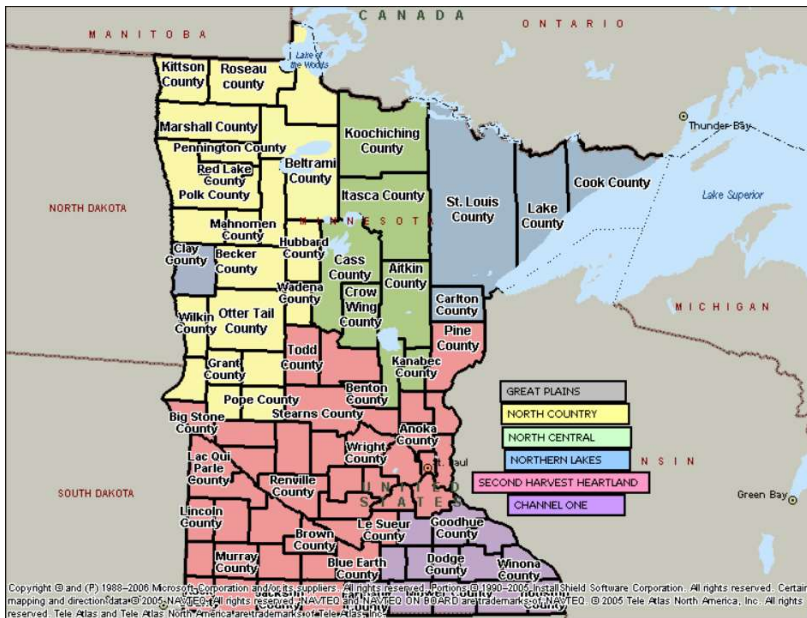


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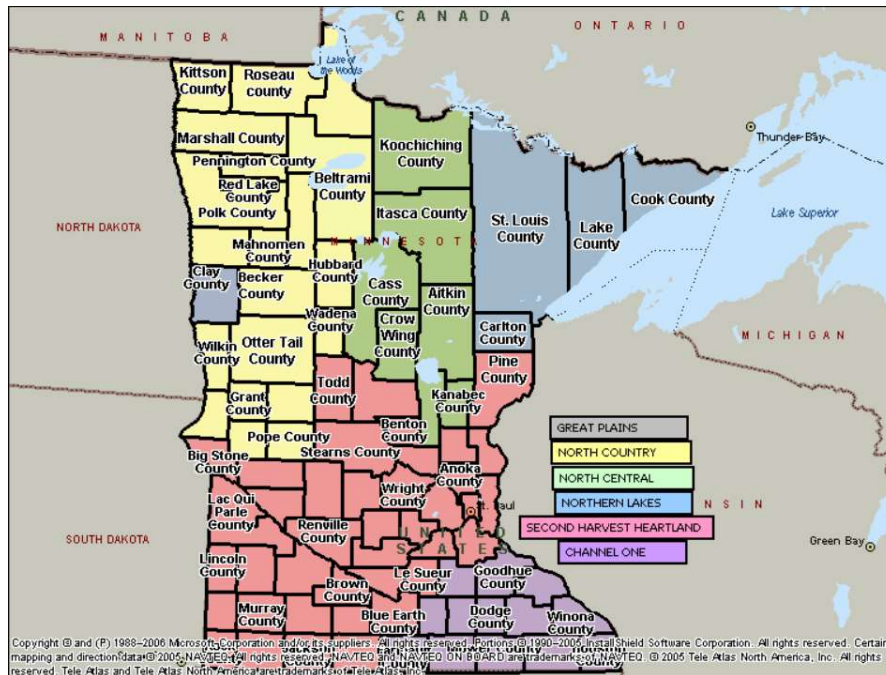
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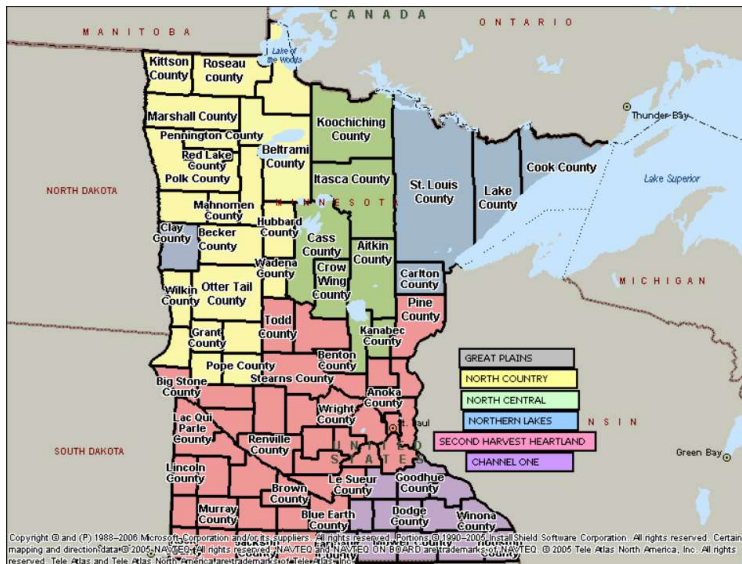
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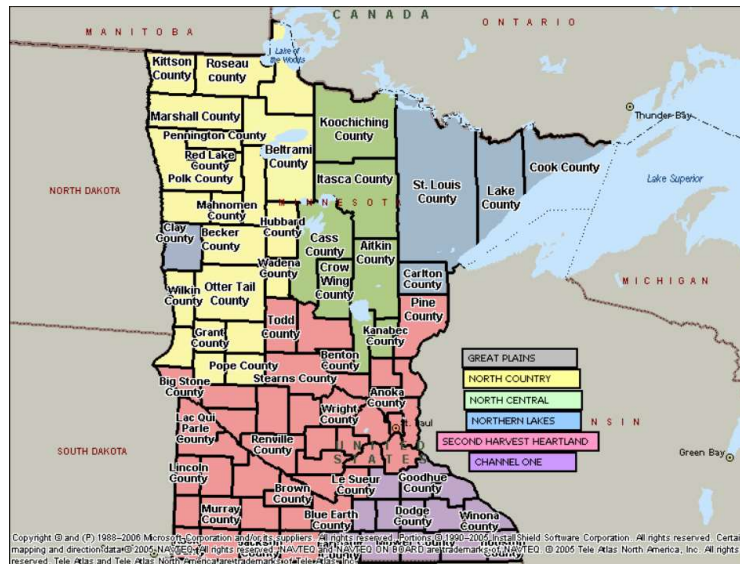


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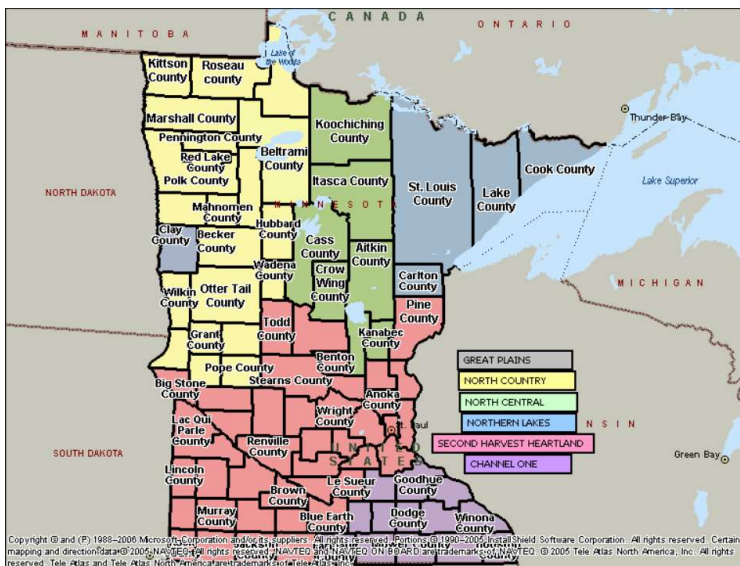
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Regional Breakout Sessions

- Agenda Framework:
 - Food Bank Updates
 - Challenges and Successes (peer sharing and learning among partners – tips, tricks, best practices, questions, emerging needs, etc.)
 - Weekly Theme: **Transportation**: new models, needs, successes, challenges, partners

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