

Household Hazardous Waste Collection



Wednesday August 13 2025
10am- 5pm
Eden Valley Public Works: 300
Smith St

Accepted Products: Paints, Cleaners, Poisons, Roofing Tar, Fuels, Automotive Chemicals, Sealers, Garden Chemicals, Pool Chemicals, Fluorescent Bulbs, Adhesives, Aerosols, Solvents, Mothballs, Mercury.

Visit the City Website—News and Notices—for full list of accepted items and list of unaccepted items.

Business hazardous waste collected by Stearns County by appointment only—Call 320-257-8605

FIRE SAFETY WEEK

OCTOBER 6th—11th



Join Eden Valley's Fire and Rescue departments to help kick off Fire Prevention Week. Come join for some fire truck rides, hotdogs, safety tips and more!

Fun Family Event!!

FIRE AND RESCUE OPEN HOUSE

OCTOBER 4

11:00 am to 2:00 pm

EDEN VALLEY FIRE HALL

450 Smith St S



Back to School Means Back to Stopping for School Buses!

As the school year begins, let's work together to keep our children safe. Minnesota law requires **all drivers to stop at least 20 feet from a school bus** when its **red lights are flashing and the stop arm is extended**—whether you're approaching from behind or the opposite direction on undivided roads .

Flashing amber lights mean the bus is preparing to stop—slow down!

**Stop for school buses—
it's the law, and it saves lives.**

Lithium-Ion Battery Safety Tips

- Purchase and use devices that are listed by a qualified testing laboratory.
- Always follow the manufacturer's instructions.
- Only use the battery that is designed for the device.
- Only use the charging cord that came with the device.
- Do not charge a device under your pillow, on your bed, or on a couch.
- Do not keep charging the device or device battery after it is fully charged.
- For more safety tips join our open house and visit National Fire Protection Associations at nfpa.org

Hydrant Flushing Notice – To Keep Water Flowing Clean & Clear!

The City of Eden Valley will be conducting **routine hydrant flushing** from **October 6 to October 10**.

This essential maintenance helps ensure high water quality and keeps our hydrants in top working condition for emergencies.

- You may notice **temporary discoloration** or a drop in water pressure—this is normal and safe.
- Run cold water for a few minutes if discoloration occurs.
- Avoid doing laundry during flushing in your area to prevent staining.

Your Voice Matters

Help Shape Our Community!

We're planning for the future, and **we need your feedback!** The City of Eden Valley is seeking your input on the proposed goals and actions for its Energy & Climate Resilience Plan. An Energy and Climate Resilience Plan outlines ways to save energy and prepare for severe weather. It helps reduce costs, improve efficiency in buildings, and strengthen community readiness for events like storms, heat waves, or power outages.



Use this link or QR Code to fill out online OR fill out the attached paper copy and return to City Hall at 171 Cossairt Ave W.

Stay Informed—Subscribe for City Updates!

Want to be in the know about important city news, events, and alerts?

Why Subscribe?

- **Get timely updates** on road work, utility notices, and public safety alerts.
- **Be in the know** about community events, programs, and city meetings.
- **Have your say**—receive surveys and opportunities to share your input.

It's quick, free, and keeps you connected to what's happening in your community.

Sign up today and stay informed, engaged, and empowered!

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WINTER WEATHER

WINTER PARKING RESTRICTIONS:

NOVEMBER 1 – APRIL 1

No parking on any city streets between
2:30 am – 6:00 am.

VEHICLES WILL BE TOWED

KEEP SIDEWALKS SHOVELED. It is the responsibility of the property owner to shovel the sidewalk after each snow fall. (within 12 hours of snow fall). If it is not completed City will have it done at owner's expense. \$92.73

FIRE HYDRANTS: Remember to keep hydrants free of snow. This is for your safety and your neighbor's safety.

GARBAGE CONTAINERS: Don't place garbage cans in the street—they belong in the driveway.

Be **AWARE** of Snowplows and Snow removal equipment with flashing lights.

Be **COURTEOUS** to the snowplow drivers. They are doing their job; removing our snow so we can easily get around.

If you are able, help out your neighbor.

Thank you to those who already lend a hand!

COMPOST SITE

- ◇ Place yard waste on correct piles
- ◇ Grass Clippings, leaves, Brush smaller than 4 inch in diameter.
- ◇ Take bags with you, do not leave them there
- ◇ Do not dump other items in compost. This is not a garbage site.

Open Until Nov 1st—Weather Permitting

Fall Clean Up Dos and Don'ts

- ◇ DO: Remove weeds, long grass, and piles of brush.
- ◇ DO: Trim back trees and shrubs from around sidewalks and signs.
- ◇ DON'T: Sweep leaves or grass into the street
- ◇ DON'T: Dump or drain sump pump's into the sanitary sewer drains.

Go Paperless with Your Water Bill

Sign Up for Email Billing Today!

Make receiving your water bill easier and greener by switching to email billing!

Email Sara at sgarland@edenvalleymn.city or Call 320-453-5251 ~~or fill out the form below and return to City Hall.~~

REMINDER: Water bills are monthly. If you do not receive your bill (paper or email) by the 7th of the month contact City Hall.

DOCUSEND: Email bills come from Docusend. If you do not see your bill please look in your junk or spam folder. Add customersupport@docusend.biz to your contacts or safe senders list.

Water/Sewer Utility Bill Information:

Effective September 30th, 2025

All unpaid water/sewer bills will be certified to the tax rolls.



Please get your bills paid up!

BUILDING PROJECTS FAQ's:

WHAT IS A ZONING PERMIT? It is a drawing of all buildings located on your parcel. It has all the setbacks from all property lines and all buildings. You will need to measure in your yard to get the setbacks.

HOW DO I KNOW IF I NEED A ZONING PERMIT?

Most building projects require a permit. Visit the website at ci.edenvalley.mn.us city code 150.171 site permits.

I AM JUST REPLACING MY SHED DO I NEED A PERMIT? Ask yourself—are you moving the shed (even a few inches)? Are you changing the size (even a few inches wider)? If you answered yes—you need a permit.

WHY DOES IT TAKE SO LONG TO GET THE PERMIT?

Permits must be reviewed, presented to the planning commission and then to the council. We need a completed application by the 2nd Thursday of the month to be approved by the first Wednesday of the following month.

Contact City Hall at 320-453-5251 for more information about zoning permits. Permit application is on website or at City Hall.

Need help with utility bills this winter?

Apply for energy assistance—Electric and Heat

Applications accepted from Oct 1 to May 31 every year.

Funds are available for renters or homeowners.

- Households who are at or below 50 percent of the state median income are eligible.
- Size of grant is based on household size, income, fuel type and energy usage.
 - Federally funded through U.S. Department of Human Services.

Stearns County	Meeker County
Tri-Cap	UCap
888-765-5597	800-992-1710
tricap.org	unitedcapmn.org

UP COMING EVENTS

Wed Aug 13th

Household Hazardous Waste Cleanup 10am-5pm
Eden Valley Public Works: 350 Smith St S

Thurs Aug 21st

Music in the Park

Tues Aug 19th

City Hall Closed for Training

Mon Sept 8th

EVC4P Meeting
6pm at the Community Center

Wed Sept 10th

Historical Society Railroad Speaker
7pm at the Community Center

Thurs Sept 18th to Sat Sept 20th

Fall City Wide Garage Sales
EV Chamber Event

Sat Oct 4th

Fire and Rescue Open House
11am-2pm at the Fire Hall

Mon Oct 6th to Fri Oct 10th

Fall Hydrant Flushing
Weather Permitting

Fri Oct 31st

Trick or Treating
6-8pm

Watch out for Trick-or-Treaters while driving



The EVC4P Silent Auction committee would like to thank everyone who contributed to the success of this year's event. The Silent Auction is sponsored by Eden Valley Citizens 4 Progress (EVC4P), which "helps promote community and provide services to those living here."

First, we would like to thank the businesses; the citizens of Eden Valley; and to additional area community businesses and members who so graciously gave items or money for the auction. There was a record number of donations, leading to an astounding amount raised this year of just over \$8000!!

We really need to thank everyone who attended the Silent Auction on Friday and Saturday. It was great to see so many familiar faces, and to meet people that were first-time bidders. You made everything we do throughout the year possible with your generous bids!

Last of all, we couldn't have done it without all the wonderful volunteers who spent their time to make this event so successful; they are priceless.

Please consider joining the Silent Auction committee or volunteering your time for any one of the wonderful events sponsored by EVC4P by contacting us at evcitizens4progress@gmail.com. Please like our Facebook page: Eden Valley C4P.

WIN \$25 JUST FOR SHOPPING LOCAL!

- ◇ When: July 7-Aug 29
- ◇ Receipts from any Eden Valley Business or Eden Valley Area Chamber Member business, including "bank receipts", can be turned in for a chance to win \$25 Valley Bucks. List of Chamber Members can be found at <https://www.edenvalleychamber.com> on the Membership Tab.
- ◇ One winner will be drawn every Friday from July 7-Aug 29. If your receipt isn't drawn it will remain in the contest for future drawings.
- ◇ Receipt box locations: Jack's Gas Station, Lost & Found, Farmers and Merchants State Bank, Valley Liquor Warehouse.
- ◇ Put your name and phone number on the back of your receipt!

We need your Feedback!!

Please complete and return to City Hall.

City of Eden Valley

Energy & Climate Resilience Plan Community Feedback

The City of Eden Valley is seeking your input on the proposed goals and actions for its Energy & Climate Resilience Plan.

An Energy and Climate Resilience Plan outlines ways to save energy and prepare for severe weather. It helps reduce costs, improve efficiency in buildings, and strengthen community readiness for events like storms, heat waves, or power outages.

The plan is organized into three key sectors: **City Operations, Residential, and Businesses & Organizations**. Each sector includes specific goals along with actions designed to help achieve them. **Please review each goal and its corresponding actions and share your feedback in the comments section.**

Sector: City Operations

Provide your feedback in the comment box for each goal.

Goal 1: Become a Minnesota GreenStep City by completing program steps 1-2 by the end of year 1.

Actions:

- 1.1 Adopt a council resolution joining GreenStep Cities.
- 1.2 Determine the city's category and complete or identify best management practices to complete step 2.
- 1.3 Educate staff and officials about GreenStep Cities.
- 1.4 Develop a webpage dedicated to GreenStep Cities and program achievements.

Feedback:

Goal 2: Install an electric vehicle (EV) charging station that will be accessible to the public and operational by the end of year 5.

Actions:

- 2.1 Site potential EV charging station locations.
- 2.2 Identify and apply for funding for the purchase and installation of an EV charging station

Feedback:

Goal 3: Explore the feasibility of on-site solar for municipal infrastructure by the end of year 1.

Actions:

3.1 Work with a third party to assess the physical infrastructure of solar arrays and complete a solar suitability assessment.

Feedback:

Goal 4: Reduce municipal energy consumption by 10% by the end of year 5.

Actions:

4.1 Partner with a third party to conduct energy audits on municipal buildings to identify energy efficiency upgrades.

4.2 Investigate smart building technology such as occupancy sensors and building controls.

4.3 Consider the use of renewable energy or energy efficiency technologies.

Feedback:

Goal 5: Increase public awareness and engagement in the City's emergency management program.

Actions:

5.1 Host a community workshop on emergency preparedness, climate resilience and disaster response.

5.2 Highlight preparedness tips in city newsletters, utility bills, or at community events.

Feedback:

Sector: Residential

Goal 6: Increase the number of residents registered for the city's severe weather emergency notification system annually.

Actions:

6.1 Promote emergency notification sign-ups during Severe Weather Awareness Month in April through public outreach and education.

6.2 Register new residents for the severe weather emergency notification system during the utility billing sign-up process.

Feedback:

Goal 7: Design and implement a campaign to increase residential awareness about energy efficiency and renewable energy technologies, cost-savings and benefits.

Actions:

- 7.1 Create a dedicated webpage with resources on energy efficiency, renewable energy technologies and potential cost-savings.
- 7.2 Promote energy efficiency and renewable energy benefits through social media, newsletters, and community events.
- 7.3 Partner with United Community Action, Citizens Utility Board, or a similar organization to help residents prevent utility disconnections, access financial assistance, and better understand their utility bills.

Feedback:

Goal 8: Develop a residential stormwater program to promote the installation of green infrastructure and other stormwater best management practices (BMPs).

Actions:

- 8.1 Partner with local organizations, such as a watershed district, to leverage technical expertise and funding support.
- 8.2 Organize a community rain barrel workshop and distribution day.
- 8.3 Launch a webpage that hosts information about green infrastructure and stormwater BMPs such as raingardens, permeable pavers and cisterns.
- 8.4 Encourage residents to enroll in Adopt-A-Drain and help keep storm drains clear of debris to reduce local flooding and water pollution.

Feedback:

Goal 9: Promote residential energy audits through Home Energy Squad.

Actions:

- 9.1 Promote the benefits of residential energy audits through the city's communication channels, including the website, newsletters, and social media.

Feedback:

Goal 10: Encourage the use of native vegetation in residential landscapes to enhance biodiversity, improve soil and water health, and support climate resilience.

Actions:

- 10.1 Promote Lawns to Legumes or other grant programs that provides funding for the installation of native planting projects.
- 10.2 Review and update local ordinances and guidelines to support the use of native vegetation.
- 10.3 Provide native planting resources on the city's website, newsletters, and social media platforms.

Feedback:

Sector: Business & Organizations

Goal 11: Work with businesses to assess emergency shelter capability and staging.

Actions:

- 11.1 Survey local businesses to identify available space and resources for emergency shelter or staging areas.
- 11.2 Create a database or map of businesses with confirmed emergency shelter or staging capabilities.
- 11.3 Host informational meetings with business owners to discuss roles, expectations, and logistics during emergencies.

Feedback:

Goal 12: Promote the benefits of energy audits and resources available to businesses.

Actions:

- 12.1 Share information about energy audits and incentive programs through the city's website, newsletters, and business networks.
- 12.2 Highlight success stories or case studies of businesses that have benefited from energy audits.

Feedback:

Goal 13: Increase awareness among local businesses about the cost-saving benefits of energy efficiency and renewable energy technologies.

Actions:

- 13.1 Collaborate with the Chamber of Commerce to host an information session on energy efficiency and renewable energy resources, funding opportunities and success stories.

Feedback: