

2026 State Legislative Platform

Build on Waste Management Act goals

The Partnership on Waste and Energy (Partnership) supports policy and regulatory approaches that encourage emerging technologies, promote new markets for waste and align energy and sustainable materials management strategies.

The Partnership supports maintaining Minnesota’s hierarchy of waste management practices.

Invest to keep waste out of landfills

The Partnership supports increased state funding at levels that allow local governments to carry out statutory responsibilities.

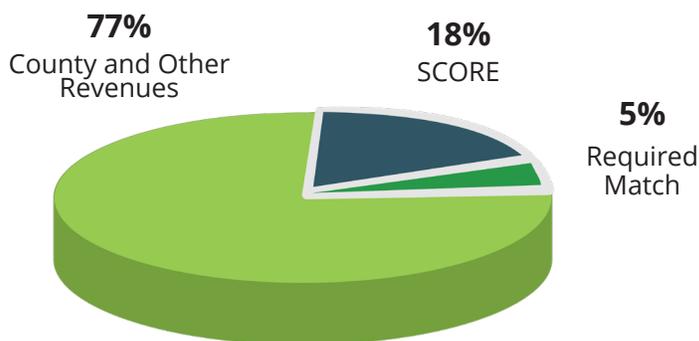
The Partnership supports policies that create effective incentives and prioritize resources to achieve climate, public health, environmental protection, waste reduction and diversion goals.

Create a more sustainable economy

The Partnership supports measures to design waste, toxicity and pollution out of the marketplace and keep products and resources in use for a robust circular economy.

The Partnership supports strong, innovative partnerships between the state, local governments and private entities to maximize the benefits of recovering resources and collaborating on energy and climate initiatives.

County Recycling Spending and SCORE Grants, 2023



State grants cover only 1/5 of county spending for recycling.

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The Partnership on Waste and Energy—a collaboration between Hennepin, Ramsey and Washington counties—seeks to end waste, promote renewable energy and enhance the health and resiliency of communities we serve while advancing equity and responding to the challenges of a changing climate.