



3,095,473 annual connections, 1 delivery system*

Minnesota Community Education helps school districts and communities reach locally identified goals by:

- Bringing citizens together to address issues
- Creating partnerships between school, cities, businesses and organizations
- Promoting an educated workforce which is key to Minnesota's prosperity
- Serving as a state-wide delivery system

Minnesota Community Education *ADULT PROGRAMS* provide essential education and skill building that improve the economy by increasing the number of educated and fully-employable people in the community.

Invest In Communities and Adults by maintaining the current level of the Community Education funding to ensure that:

- **Adult Basic Education** can continue to help learners acquire and improve employability skills and develop partnerships with business, higher education and workforce centers
- **Adults With Disabilities** programs can continue to serve disabled adults striving to participate and contribute to their community
- **Community Education** programs can continue to meet the needs of families and communities and leverage an additional \$6 for each state dollar invested by the funding formula

Minnesota Community Education *EARLY EDUCATION PROGRAMS* provide access for children and families during the critical learning period to better prepare them for school.

Invest In Early Education to ensure that:

- **Early Childhood Family Education** programs can continue to provide quality educational opportunities for families with young children
- **School Readiness** programs can continue to provide quality learning opportunities to successfully close the achievement gap
- **School Based Early Education** programs will be able to provide targeted education for at risk four-year-olds

Minnesota Community Education *YOUTH PROGRAMS* support positive youth development through a quality, state-wide delivery system, provide access to enrichment, recreation and service learning opportunities and promote academic achievement for children in kindergarten through 12th grade.

Invest In Youth by maintaining the current level of funding to ensure that:

- **After-School Enrichment** programs can continue to provide services and resources that promote youth achievement
- **Youth Service** programs can continue to provide asset development for school age youth through Community Education service opportunities
- **Child-care Assistance** support is available that allows families to access quality child care programs

*MDE reports 2008-2009