

# Join us.







Sound tax policy.

Efficient spending.

Accountable government.

### Support us. So we can support you.

I'm delighted to introduce you to the Minnesota Center for Fiscal Excellence. Our organization is here to serve the public good by advancing fiscal excellence in Minnesota state and local government.



We do this by performing thorough and accurate research and analysis of proposed fiscal policy. Through our publications, we share this research with our members and the general public.

We offer an independent perspective, not aligned with any political ideology or special interest. Rather, we are a trusted resource for all government, civic and business leaders, providing solid information that leads to informed decision-making and smart legislation.

Our work is made possible through the generous support of our members—businesses of all sizes and individual taxpayers at all income levels. The more you support us, the more we can support you by fostering a foundation of fiscal excellence in our state and local governments.

Become an MCFE member today!

Sincerely,

Mark Haveman, Executive Director

## Get to know us.

Minnesota Center for Fiscal Excellence (MCFE) is a member-supported, non-profit, non-partisan fiscal research and advocacy organization committed to the concept of fiscal excellence in Minnesota's state and local governments. We are an independent voice, not tied to any political ideology. Rather, we exist to serve the public good, and have since our founding in 1926. We are proud of our reputation as Minnesota's most trusted research-based tax and fiscal policy organization. But we are not resting on our laurels. We are committed to a future of excellence.



- Revenue collection reflects the principles of sound tax policy.
- Government spending is efficient, transparent, and accountable.
- Spending outcomes are measured and evaluated.



"Few areas are as important to a state's competitiveness as tax policy — and the need for solid research and a strong 'taxpayer voice' has never been more clear. MCFE provides that important perspective, which is why General Mills has been a supporter of MCFE for 75 years."

- Ken Powell, CEO, General Mills

Our mission We are committed to making fiscal excellence the foundation of Minnesota state and local government.

# Become a member.

We welcome any business or individual who pays taxes in Minnesota to become a member of our organization.

#### ENJOY THE BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP.

- Align and network with a community of businesses and individuals who support fiscal excellence.
- Receive important MCFE publications, issue briefs and news via email. This includes issues of our most talked about publications:
  - *Fiscal Focus*, a bi-monthly newsletter offering analysis and commentary on tax and spending topics in the headlines.
  - Legislative Spotlight, our highly respected "members only" publication for lobbyists, government affairs professionals, policy makers, tax professionals, tax practitioners and serious Capitol watchers.
- Gain access to resources and information to share with your employees. Our executive director can even speak at your company meeting.
- Serve in leadership positions on our committees and board of directors.

#### BECOMING A MEMBER IS EASY.

Find our application form and instructions at www.FiscalExcellence.org or call 651-224-7477

#### Which business category is right for my company?

The best way to answer this question is by having a conversation with our executive director. Email Mark Haveman at mhaveman@ fiscalexcellence.org or call him at 651-224-7477 ext.102.

#### MEMBERSHIP RATES

Individual Members \$100

#### **Business Members**

Basic \$250 - \$999

Standard \$1,000 - \$4,999

Executive \$5,000 - \$9,999

Founder \$10.000+

Membership dues are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law under Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code. We will not release, sell or exchange any of your personal information including your name or address.

# "MCFE has been one of the most influential organizations in state and local public finance. It has a reputation for performing honest, unbiased research and its commitment to sound tax policy is unrivaled."

 David Brunori, Professor of Public Policy, George Washington University and Contributing Editor, State Tax Notes



# Support education and research.

#### CONTRIBUTE TO OUR FOUNDATION.

You can also support our work by making a contribution to the Minnesota Foundation for Fiscal Excellence (MFFE). The foundation provides critical funding for our research and education programs. It supports three specific areas.

- Fiscal Facts data collection, comparison and ranking studies on government taxation and spending
- Government Redesign in-depth analytical studies that identify and evaluate reforms in government taxation and spending
- Literacy in Public Finance educational projects and publications to improve citizen understanding about what government does and how public revenues are raised and spent

The Minnesota Foundation for Fiscal Excellence is a 509(a)(3) supporting organization of the MCFE.

# Join. Give. Learn.

Details at www.FiscalExcellence.org



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# Minnesota's most trusted research-based tax and fiscal policy organization.

"The Center for Fiscal Excellence is an invaluable resource that we use frequently to help craft our public policy and in our lobbying efforts at the state capitol. They are well-respected both within Minnesota and nationally for their research studies and analysis on pertinent tax and fiscal issues."

- David Olson, President, Minnesota Chamber of Commerce

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