



# COUNTY OF ANOKA

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**Anoka County AAA Bond Rating Reaffirmed**

One of the nation's top ratings agencies has once again reaffirmed Anoka County's solid financial management practices. Standard & Poor's Rating Services has reaffirmed Anoka County's AAA bond rating, the highest rating possible.

According to Board of Commissioners Chair Rhonda Sivarajah, "At a time when the state and the nation are struggling, our fiscal responsibility, thoughtful approach to investing, and innovative strategies are being recognized. It's the realization of our mission."

The Standard & Poor's rating means the county will likely obtain the lowest possible interest rates on bonds to finance necessary capital improvement projects, thereby achieving significant savings for the county – and ultimately taxpayers.

"Our strength is our ability to plan, prepare and adapt to make sure we operate to the high standards our citizens expect and deserve, without adding to the burden they're already carrying," said Sivarajah. Anoka County first received the AAA designation in February 2009.

Standard & Poor's, headquartered in New York, is a global leader in credit ratings and credit risk analysis.

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