

OPENING GLOBAL PATHWAYS



Global **Minnesota**®

2023-2024 ANNUAL REPORT



Nearly 75 years ago, Global Minnesota was founded by a small group of dedicated individuals who felt inspired to welcome international students to the state. They believed that all people, not only career professionals, could play a role in citizen diplomacy.

From this modest origin, Global Minnesota has become our state's leading nonprofit for advancing international understanding and engagement. We are Minnesota's global champion, promoting the state as a hub for commerce, culture, and citizen diplomacy. As described in a recent MinnPost article:

“ Yet another subtle and overlooked asset [of Minnesota] is a more sophisticated global awareness and a willingness to learn from and trade with other nations.... Organizations such as Global Minnesota... nurture this spirit.”

As a unique, nonpartisan gathering place, Global Minnesota fosters informed discussion on topics of global importance, provides unforgettable connections to world-renowned experts, creates life-changing cultural experiences, and opens the door to the world across Minnesota. Global Minnesota's successful programs continue to grow. Over 18,000 participants discovered the world through nearly 550 activities covering 150 countries, while engagement in corporate and individual membership continued to increase throughout the year.

Global Minnesota programs open global pathways to people of all ages and backgrounds across the state. Whether through World Affairs Events, Corporate Engagement, K-12 Education, Professional Exchanges, Discussion Groups, or International Student programs, everyone can navigate a world of possibilities through this organization.

As Global Minnesota looks towards its 75th anniversary, we expect the need for these programs to continue increasing dramatically. More than ever, people are looking for trusted, nonpartisan insights into economic, political, and cultural developments around the world. Global Minnesota will always be a welcoming community for informed and civil discussion and learning.

This incredible undertaking is only possible through the hard work and dedication of a small but mighty staff and modest operating budget. This staff, the leadership of President Phil Hansen, an active Board of Directors, and dedicated members, partners, supporters, and volunteers are essential to this mission.

If you haven't already, I invite you to join us and become part of a community that shares your interest in culture, world affairs, foreign policy, and their impact on Minnesota and the world.

To our members and partners, thank you for being engaged in this important work. Together we are opening new pathways and possibilities for our global future.

Ross Wilson, U.S. Ambassador (ret.)
2022-2025 Board Chair

PROGRAM REACH

In 2023-24, Global Minnesota opened global pathways to over **18,000 participants**, helping them discover new connections in **150 countries** through over **550 activities** across the state.

GEOGRAPHIC HIGHLIGHTS / 150 COUNTRIES IN A YEAR



Latin America: Entrepreneurs and changemakers from the Young Leaders of the Americas Initiative contributed their talents to local organizations while building new skills and forging commercial ties.



Europe: A delegation of emerging European political leaders met with a bipartisan group of state legislators to share ideas on creating welcoming communities.



Sub-Saharan Africa: Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs Molly Phee outlined top priorities in U.S. foreign policy toward the region and gathered input from local diaspora communities.

Middle East & North Africa:

Great Decisions groups across the state hosted dozens of long-form discussions on geopolitical issues in the Middle East, giving time to share perspectives and answer questions.



Asia-Pacific:

Minnesota businesses, academic institutions, and nonprofits participated in an interactive discussion about the future of U.S. relations with China.



South & Central Asia:

Minnesota students in classrooms spanning kindergarten to eighth grade enjoyed interactive lessons on Bangladesh, India, Kazakhstan, Pakistan, and other countries across Asia.



"I feel like the knowledge I learned from preparing for Academic WorldQuest will transfer very well to when I go to college."

—ST. PAUL CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT

WORLD AFFAIRS EVENTS

OUR WORLD AFFAIRS EVENTS

open the door to international understanding by bringing world-renowned experts, diplomats, and cultural leaders to people across Minnesota. We welcome foreign ambassadors and dignitaries to the state, providing custom programs to forge new connections to Minnesota in addition to public presentations. These events give all Minnesotans unique access to hear directly from these leaders, helping people navigate the complex pathways of today's global landscape.



CORPORATE ENGAGEMENT



OUR CORPORATE

ENGAGEMENT provides unparalleled international access, global information, insights, and worldwide brand exposure to Minnesota companies of all sizes. Business briefings focus on enhancing economic development opportunities, building global networks, and sharing sustainability best practices.

"I loved the engagements and variety of different topics and insights that Global Minnesota provides to Corporate Members."

-JONATHAN CREMER,
HARMONY ENTERPRISES

PROGRAMS

K-12 EDUCATION

EDUCATION IS THE KEY to opening professional and personal pathways. Through our K-12 Education Program, we unlock global possibilities for students across the state. Starting at the elementary school level, Classroom Connection brings the world to thousands of students through innovative and interactive lessons. At the high school level, Academic WorldQuest challenges students through a rigorous global knowledge competition. These programs prepare students to work in a global economy, recognize cultural differences as strengths, and expose them to multiple career paths.



“Volunteering with Global Minnesota has reinforced the importance of cultural exchange in promoting global harmony and understanding, something I’ll carry with me long after my studies.”

—ALI, CLASSROOM CONNECTION
VOLUNTEER FROM PAKISTAN

PROFESSIONAL EXCHANGES



MINNESOTA IS A GLOBAL HUB for professional expertise. This past year, we created pathways for hundreds of Minnesota professionals to exchange best practices with delegations from 128 countries in areas such as agriculture, human rights, healthcare, and green energy. These exchanges forge life-changing connections among government officials, nonprofit executives, education practitioners, and corporate leaders as part of the U.S. State Department’s International Visitor Leadership Program and other exchange programs.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

NEARLY 75 YEARS AGO, Global Minnesota began as a welcoming organization to help international students navigate life in our state. In 2023-24, the International Student program helped hundreds of students from 73 countries discover unique cultural experiences and connections to create unforgettable moments of Minnesota hospitality.

"I have admired Global Minnesota for connecting international students like me to know more people in the United States!"

-INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FROM OMAN



DISCUSSION GROUPS



"I'm a librarian and Great Decisions is one of our most requested programs!"

-GREAT DECISIONS GROUP LEADER

NAVIGATING COMPLEX GLOBAL pathways in foreign policy requires an informed and engaged community. In collaboration with the national Foreign Policy Association, Great Decisions Discussion Groups connect communities at the grassroots level with Minnesota foreign policy experts across the state from Rochester to International Falls. These groups foster informed and civil discussion on critical global issues, opening a path for understanding and cooperation in contentious times.

FINANCIALS

JUNE 30, 2024

ASSETS

Cash/Cash Equivalents	\$165,439
Equipment (net)	10,854
Receivables and Prepaid Expenses	166,658
Other Assets	87,439
Investments	1,096,586
Total Assets	\$1,526,976

REVENUE

Membership and Individual Contributions	\$751,757
Corporate and Foundation Contributions	362,987
Program Income	100,002
Government Contributions	243,674
Investment Revenue and Other Income	71,830
Total Revenue	\$1,530,250

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Liabilities	\$66,250
Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	447,941
Net Assets With Donor Restrictions	1,012,785
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$1,526,976

EXPENSES

Program Services	\$1,169,741
Management and General	146,555
Development	233,240
Total Expenses	\$1,549,536

The Global Minnesota Board of Directors approved use of up to \$50,000 in additional Board-designated funds to cover anticipated FY24 expenses.



CELEBRATING PORT CITIES

This year's Gala celebrated maritime pathways with stops in port cities around the world. Together with hundreds of Global Minnesota friends, international visitors, community leaders and inspired global citizens, nearly \$320,000 was raised to expand our capacity and meet the intense demand for global programs. Thank you to the dedicated and creative Gala committee for their incredible leadership.

Minnesota plays a unique and outsized role in the world. We are a global hub for **international commerce, cultural traditions, and citizen diplomacy**. Our inspiring community creates infinite openings for global pathways and possibilities.

OPENING GLOBAL PATHWAYS



Boosting Economic Development

Global Minnesota provides essential information for Minnesota businesses to navigate global economic opportunities. This past year, we launched the Global Business Outlook, a unique event analyzing top business megatrends to help companies of all sizes connect to international markets.

Enhancing Civic Participation

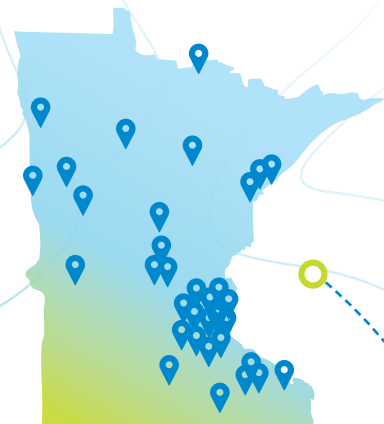
We help communities understand the world, each other, and themselves more deeply. Inspiring discussions with foreign policy experts such as Fiona Hill and senior diplomats including Assistant Secretary of State Molly Phee enhance civic participation among Minnesotans of all backgrounds.

Building Worldwide Connections

Unforgettable visits from Ambassadors and Consuls General of Chile, China, the Czech Republic, Finland, Israel, Kosovo, Switzerland, United Kingdom, Uzbekistan, and Zambia build Minnesota's worldwide reputation as a destination of international importance.

Expanding International Understanding

Throughout the state, Global Minnesota opens pathways to international understanding. With a WorldQuest trivia competition in Duluth, Great Decisions Discussion Groups in Brainerd and Stillwater, Professional Exchange delegation meetings with counterparts in Austin and St. Cloud, and a pilot of the Classroom Connection program in Mankato schools, all corners of the state benefit from expanded understanding of the world.



FUTURE PATHWAYS

As Global Minnesota approaches its 75th year of advancing international understanding and engagement, we have bold new plans to expand the reach and impact of our shared global community. The intense demand to understand our global world is driving the organization to new heights.

As we look toward the future, Global Minnesota is committed to opening even more pathways to global understanding by:



Establishing Volunteer Global Ambassadors

Hosting More World Class Speakers

Engaging the Next Generation

Doubling Our Audience Reach

Our goal is to ensure Global Minnesota remains the “go to” trusted, nonpartisan source of context, connections, and understanding about the international events and issues driving our world. Global Minnesota is committed to serving our community to meet the intense and increasing demand to better understand our increasingly complex time.

In the year ahead, join us as we embrace global curiosity and engagement. Together, we will share the best of Minnesota with the world and the best of the world with Minnesota.

The **financial generosity** of individuals, businesses, organizations, and foundations **helps open new program pathways**.
Your support makes this work possible.

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Remembering Bob McCrea - A True Servant Leader

A dedicated Global Minnesota leader, Bob joined the Board in 1995, serving as Board Chair and Honorary Board. He brought a head for finance and fundraising along with a heart for people. Over the decades Bob served as a trusted advisor, problem solver, committed supporter and cheerleader for the organization and it would be hard to overstate his impact on Global Minnesota. Bob's example is an inspiration to find common ground and better understand our world.

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As Program Director from 2015-2023, Tim's vast global knowledge, gracious hospitality, and cheerful leadership inspired thousands to connect with the world. The Global Minnesota community will miss Tim's joyful presence, passionate service, and his mischievous sense of humor. Gifts in his memory will fund programs that spark global curiosity and learning in K-12 students.



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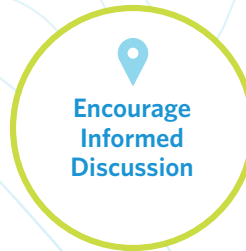
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