

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY MINNESOTA STATE PATROL

State Patrol Headquarters Design and Land Acquisition

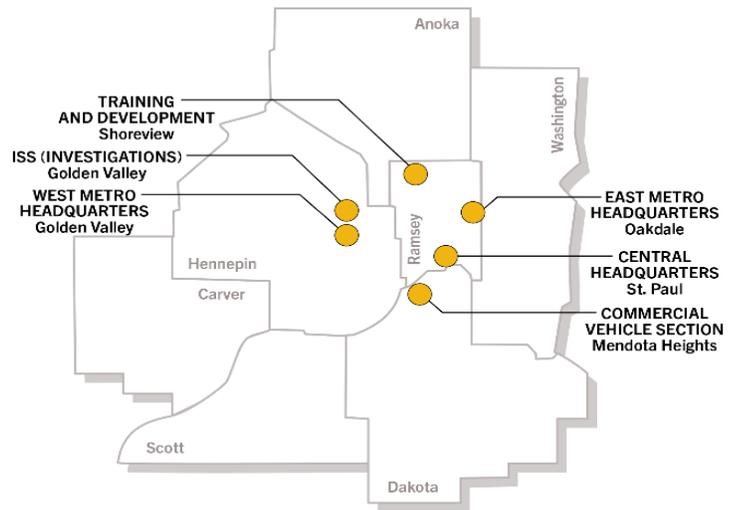
Project details

- Pre-design funding was provided in the 2023 bonding bill with the final report completed on Jan. 3, 2024.
- Design and land acquisition cost, as required by pre-design report: \$22,456,000.
- Pre-design building as outlined in report: 137,000 total square feet, including office space and secure garage areas.
- Land acquisition: 15 to 20 acres, as required by the pre-design report.

Current situation

The State Patrol provides service to greater Minnesota and the Twin Cities Metro Area (approximately 3.5 million people) from six fragmented and small leased facilities spread throughout several counties. This creates unnecessary redundancy in both operations and cost while also inhibiting organizational changes necessary for the future. The existing locations are antiquated and lack basic features necessary for professional public safety services, such as:

- Controlled evidence storage.
- Secure areas for squad cars, sensitive equipment and staff.
- Workplace environments that promote collaboration, communication, efficiency, and wellness, including an ability to recruit and retain a quality and diverse workforce.
- Accessible and free public parking with inviting reception areas encouraging public interaction with the agency.
- Efficient and energy-saving climate control systems.



Proposal

This proposal will allow the Minnesota State Patrol to design and purchase land in order to build at a future date. This is the first time in State Patrol history that the organization will design its own comprehensive and effective space to function as a public safety facility. Along with specifically addressing each of the physical building deficiencies outlined above, the proposed facility will also allow for several other quantifiable improvements such as:

- Overhauling operations to meet current and future demands to better serve the public and decrease risk.
- State-of-the-art space purposefully built to allow the ability to dynamically modify and adjust statewide resources within a modern operations center.
- Increase synergy with leadership, command and State Patrol workgroups to increase accountability and efficiency.
- Increased ability for readiness during large public safety events including space for additional collaboration.
- Space will be designed for the mission and to better recruit and retain a workforce that reflects the community.
- Space designed to meet and exceed the requirements to become nationally accredited by CALEA (calea.org), as directed and funded during the 2023 legislative session.

