

Better Streets, Parks, and Recreation Centers

Projects funded by Saint Paul's new **Common Cent** 1% sales tax marks the launch of once-in-a-generation investments in streets and parks infrastructure, estimated to cost **\$1 billion** over the next two decades.

About the 1% Sales Tax

In 2023, Saint Paul voters approved a 1% increase to the local option sales tax to be used for repairs and improvements to streets, bridges, parks, and recreational facilities within the city. The tax will generate nearly \$1 billion over 20 years, of which \$738 million is allocated for streets and \$246 million for parks.

2024 Common Cent Projects

Saint Paul Public Works will begin reconstructing Grand Avenue, from Fairview Avenue to Snelling Avenue. Included in this project are:

- Signal upgrades at the Grand and Fairview intersection
- Upgrades to the Grand and Snelling intersection

Saint Paul Parks & Recreation will begin:

- Addressing long-deferred maintenance of parks buildings, athletic fields, and downtown parks
- Designing plans for citywide assets including the Eastside Recreation Center and River Balcony



Revitalize fields, play areas, courts, parking lots, trails, water features, and Grand Avenue



HVAC, roofs, doors, windows, gyms, lighting, and other building or park needs



Implement first phase of converting Como Park Zoo & Conservatory to geothermal energy



Revitalize downtown parks, roads, and sidewalks



Design work for the River Learning Center, River Balcony, and the green space at Hillcrest Knoll Park

The Common Cent 1% sales tax will be implemented April 1, 2024. Learn more by scanning the QR code, or by visiting stpaul.gov/common-cent.

