

# FAQs: Minnesota Needs Funding Activity Coordination Tool (MNFACT)

MNFACT 1.0 was created to provide a single location where both state program staff and agencies applying for homeless program funding could access data on both regional needs indicators, as well as current state funding levels for homeless programs and activities.

### How will MNFACT 1.0 be used?

Each state program will continue to set its own evaluation criteria for future Request for Proposals (RFP), which may include geographic distribution or other priorities. The tool will not replace existing Request for Proposal processes, but rather assist state program staff in ensuring funded activities are coordinated between state programs and closely aligned with needs.

# Will the information be updated regularly?

The state is in the process of identifying how the tool will be maintained and improved. However, the Minnesota Interagency Council on Homelessness is committed to maintaining the usefulness of this tool, and to improve coordination of state grant making.

# Will more needs or funding sources be added in the future?

Additional data elements and funding streams have been identified and will be added at a later date.

# What if there are needs or funding data that appears to be inaccurate?

The state strives to maintain the most accurate information possible. However, errors will occur and we encourage any user that identifies potential data errors or discrepancies to contact Isaac Wengerd, site manager, at isaac.wengerd@state.mn.us.

This site should not be used as an official record of needs data or funding levels for a particular region or agency.

# How can I see the total funding for my region, or for one funding type or activity?

Total funding for a region, funding source or activity can be found by selecting the entire column you wish to summarize, then hovering your cursor over that column until a Sum Total appears (see the screen shot below for example).

