

## St. Paul Public Housing Agency

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## Saint Paul Public Housing Agency Selected for a Metro Transit Commuter Choice Award

The Saint Paul Public Housing Agency (PHA) was selected for the 2016 Metro Transit Regional Commuter Choice Award for the Government Entity category. St. Paul Women on Bikes nominated the PHA, citing the Agency's initiatives to encourage walking and biking at all of the PHA housing sites, both hi-rises and family developments. At Metro Transit's award ceremony on Thursday, April 28, 2016, the program highlighted the PHA's collaboration with partners such as Allina Health, Nice Ride MN, Cycles for Change, Free Bikes 4 Kidz, and St. Paul Women on Bikes.

The Commuter Choice Awards recognize sustainable transportation leaders across the Metro area. The annual awards were presented by Metro Transit in partnership with the region's Transportation Management Organizations (TMOs).

For more information go to: <a href="http://www.metrotransit.org/commuter-choice-awards-recognize-sustainable-transportation-leaders">http://www.metrotransit.org/commuter-choice-awards-recognize-sustainable-transportation-leaders</a>



Group shot of St. Paul winners

## Saint Paul Public Housing Agency Awarded Public Entity Innovation Grant (PEIG) from Ramsey County

Ramsey County notified the PHA in March 2016 that the PHA will receive a \$96,530 Public Entity Innovation Grant (PEIG) to be used for waste reduction initiatives. The PHA will use the grant funds to do the following:

- Revamp the PHA's 27-year old hi-rise recycling program by providing new signage, recycling containers and labels; improving recycling opportunities for persons with disabilities; and increasing resident awareness and education;
- Work with PHA's Dunedin Homes staff to implement a pilot organics collection program; and
- Work with the PHA's Youth Connections Program to provide opportunities for youth to develop and lead environmental and recycling education programs.

