



Valspar and Northland Foundation Award Nearly 450 Gallons of Paint and Coating Products to 15 Community Beautification Projects in the Region

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The Valspar Foundation and the Northland Foundation awarded 443 gallons of paint and coating products to 15 northeastern Minnesota organizations this month through the *Minnesota Beautiful Program*.

This is the eleventh consecutive year the Valspar and Northland Foundations have partnered to bring high-quality Valspar paint products and technical assistance to support community beautification projects around the region. Since 1998, nearly 4,900 gallons of free paint have been awarded for more than 131 projects within the seven-county Arrowhead Region.

Regional 2008 *Minnesota Beautiful Program* paint grant recipients are listed below.

- **Chisholm Beautification Association** – Paint the home exterior of a Chisholm community member in need
- **Neighborhood Housing Services, Duluth** – Create a sidewalk mural at the Community Center in Duluth's Hillside neighborhood
- **City of Marble** – Beautify the city park by painting the stadium shelter, seating, dugouts, outfield wall, skating rink walls, and swing set
- **City of Orr** – Paint the outside of the historic depot in Orr
- **Silver Bay KIDS PLUS** – Paint and update interior murals in the school that were affected by a ceiling installation
- **Barnum Youth Center** – Refurbish the exterior of the Little Red Schoolhouse at the Carlton County fairgrounds
- **Piedmont Community Club, Duluth** – Paint the outside of the storage garage including a new addition
- **Coleraine Carnegie Public Library** – Repaint the library's interior walls
- **KIDS PLUS McGregor Area** – Create three murals on panels that depict Minnesota's history to display at community events
- **Pine Grove Historic Community Center, Palisade** – Refresh the Community Center interior and exterior, and refinish hardwood floors
- **Itasca County Agriculture Association, Grand Rapids** – Paint the exteriors of three fairground booths
- **McGrath Historic Committee** – Paint the interior and exterior of the Senior Center in McGrath
- **McGregor Lions Club** – Update the Community Center with interior and exterior paint
- **Damiano Center of Duluth** – Repaint office space and soup kitchen store room areas
- **Hill City Community Education** – Create interior murals in three sections of the school



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