

## ANNOUNCEMENT!

### REGISTRATION OPENS FOR **THRIVING BY DESIGN – RURAL & URBAN TOGETHER** STATEWIDE GATHERING JUNE 27-29 IN GRANITE FALLS --to create the **ONE MINNESOTA EQUITY BLUEPRINT--**

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Summer will come! And when it does arrive, please join us on June 27-29, 2018, in the historic and scenic Granite Falls area in western Minnesota for the statewide “*Thriving by Design, Rural & Urban Together*” equity gathering. We’ll meet along the banks of the Minnesota River, get an in-depth overview of Minnesota’s current community and economic conditions, and together begin creation of the **One Minnesota Equity Blueprint** for achieving rural-urban and racial economic equity and inclusive growth over the course of the next few years.

Your hosts, [Onemn.org](http://Onemn.org) and [Growth & Justice](http://Growth & Justice), are pleased to announce that general registration and delegate application is now OPEN at <https://bit.ly/2qGHnEy>

**You do not need to be a delegate to attend.** General registration is open to everyone. And, we are looking for people ages 15-80+ who are willing to serve as *Equity Blueprint* delegates in Granite Falls and beyond. They will represent Minnesota of the future. They will help gather further input from their communities back home between July & December 2018 -- to ensure that the draft **One Minnesota Equity Blueprint** represents Minnesotans’ shared thinking and actions

All attendees at the Granite Falls gathering will have the chance to learn more about the community and economic development challenges and opportunities facing our shared home – our shared Minnesota. Then, as Minnesotans together, we will create the outlines of the unifying **One Minnesota Equity Blueprint**, featuring public policies and a new socio-economic contract to heal our damaging divisions: the rural-metro divide, racial disparities, and overall economic inequality.

For more information on how you might attend for all or part of the Granite Falls gathering, see our webpage for the event, entitled “**Thriving by Design, Rural & Urban Together.**” Full conference registration is \$195. One day registration (for June 28) is \$100. Hotel rooms are available at and nearby the *Thriving by Design, Rural & Urban Together* gathering location: the Prairies Edge Casino Resort, owned and operated by the Upper Sioux Community. There is also an RV Park on-site.

And if you would like to add your name and/or your organization’s name to our *Thriving by Design – Rural & Urban Together – One Minnesota Equity Blueprint* partner list and/or be a financial sponsor alongside the Blandin Foundation and Growth & Justice donors, please contact Jane Leonard at [jane@growthandjustice.org](mailto:jane@growthandjustice.org). (Or 651-917-6037, ext 1)

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