



# CITY OF CHANHASSEN

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### City of Chanhassen Named Best City to Live in America by Money Magazine

**September 13, 2021** | The City of Chanhassen topped Money Magazine's list of the 2021 Best Places to Live, taking the number one spot overall.

"This is a great honor to be chosen and it speaks to the residents and community we have here in Chanhassen," said Mayor Elise Ryan. "While we are recognized with various other awards and accolades, this is meaningful for all of us who live and work here."

Chanhassen was recognized not only for its unique history, but also for its entertainment options and strong housing market. "As the suburbs closer to Minneapolis got more expensive, people and businesses found their way to Chanhassen. In fact the population has grown more than 13% since 2010 – more than the U.S. (7.4%) and Minnesota (7.6%)," according to the report.

"Chanhassen is grateful for our highly-regarded school districts, our strong local business community, and engaged residents," said Mayor Ryan.

Since 1987, Money Magazine publishes its annual list of the 50 best towns and cities. Using a variety of metrics, Money chooses cities where job growth is rising, home prices are affordable, and the quality-of-life shines.

This year, Money selected its list of Best Cities in America by putting the greatest emphasis on economic factors, like employment opportunities, as well as supply and demand for homes, cost of living, quality of schools, racial and economic diversity, and health and safety.

Money also noted the city's rich entertainment and cultural options, including Chanhassen Dinner Theaters and Paisley Park. Chanhassen's recreational opportunities were listed as well as a huge selling point for residents.

"The Council and I would like to thank the community and staff here in Chanhassen," Mayor Ryan said. "Together, we are working hard to plan for the future, and our strategic plan will capitalize on the elements of what makes us the number one community in the United States."

The City of Chanhassen has been selected by Money Magazine five previous times; in 2005 (placed sixteenth), 2009 (placed second), 2011 (placed tenth), 2013 (placed

fourth), and in 2015 (placed seventh). This is the first time that Chanhassen has been named The Best City in America

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