

Quick tips and notes for your 2026 Lawmaker Visits

Thank you for joining us for Homeless Day on the Hill! This is an unusual year at the MN State Capitol because of the construction. **Please note the new location for your House of Representatives visits will be in the Centennial Office Building (658 Cedar St, St Paul, MN 55155).** All Senate visits will be in the MN Senate Building (95 University Ave W, St Paul, MN 55103).

Here are a few tips from lobbyists and other advocates:

- Lawmaker meetings are only 15 minutes long - please be mindful of this timeframe when going through your priorities.
- It's going to feel disorganized and a little bit messy.
- Give yourselves and your group extra time to attend your Representative's meetings.
- NOTE: The process for your Representative visits is different this year. Here are the steps:
 - Meetings with Representatives will be in the Centennial Building.
 - Review the maps document to learn how to get to the Centennial Building.
 - Once you arrive in the Centennial Building, check in at the front desk for your visit.
 - If your visit is scheduled to be in your Representative's Offices, you will need to get checked in and escorted upstairs.
 - Check our website to be sure where your visits are located: www.mnhomelesscoalition.org/doth
- It is a 15-20 minute walk from the MN State Capitol to the Centennial Office Building through the tunnels
 - **Please note: There are a few inclines outside and in these tunnels**
- It is a 20-25 minute walk from the Senate Building to the Centennial Office Building through the tunnels
- **New for 2026 - Security at the Capitol Building**
 - Weapons screening will take place at four locations in the Capitol, including bag searches and metal detectors.
 - The primary public entrance will be the main south entrance underneath the Capitol steps.
 - Additional entrances are the underground tunnels leading to the Capitol from:
 - The Minnesota Senate Building;
 - Parking Lot C is adjacent to the State Office Building
 - The Minnesota Judicial Center.
 - All entrances and screening areas are ADA accessible.
- Please keep your belongings with you or a trusted person for the full day. We cannot replace stolen or lost items.

Important addresses

- **Central Presbyterian Church:** (500 Cedar St, St Paul, MN 55101)
 - Registration and opening program only; 8 AM - 11 AM
- **Centennial Office Building:** (658 Cedar St, St Paul, MN 55155)
 - Representatives' meetings can take place here; find your location: www.mnhomelesscoalition.org/doth
 - There is a cafe in the Centennial Building open from 8:00 AM – 1:30 PM
- **MN Senate Building:** (95 University Ave W, St Paul, MN 55103)
- **MN State Capitol:** (Minnesota State Capitol, 75 Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Boulevard, St Paul, MN 55155)
 - The Rathskeller (Capitol) Cafe is in the Capitol building ,open from 8:00 AM – 1:30 PM

Your Notes: