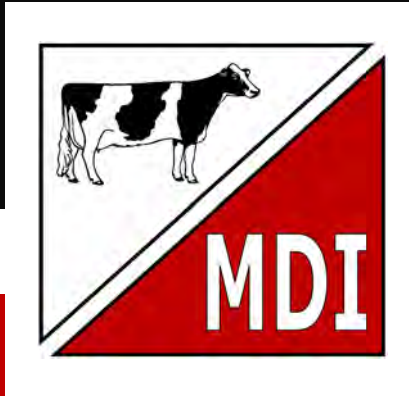


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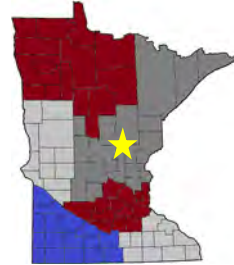
Established to Energize a Healthy and Vibrant Dairy Industry in Minnesota

MDI's mission is to help existing and potential dairy producers succeed through team-based on-farm education, resources, and networking

"Our team helps get us the right help at the right time and keeps us moving ahead. It is still up to us to accomplish our goals, but it is a whole lot easier with support of experts in our field."

- Brown County Dairy Producer

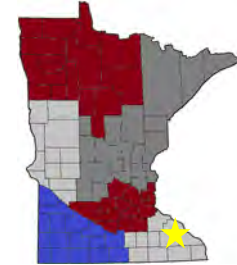
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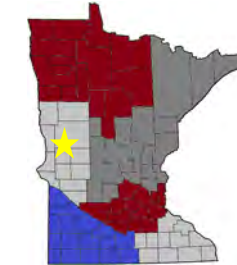
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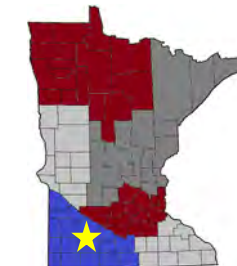
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Program Details

- The program is available to all dairy producers regardless of size or production. Those who are open to change and have a sincere desire to stay in the dairy business benefit the most from the program.
- The program is flexible and custom-fit to the needs of each dairy. The producer selects their own diagnostic team members. Typical teams have 3-6 members and can include:



- The average team meets 2-4 times per year to review progress and goals. Teams stay working together for as long as the producer is on the program.

Program Cost

Dairy producers participating in the Minnesota Dairy Initiative program pay an annual program fee of \$200.

Scholarships

Scholarships of up to \$500 are available for each farm to help advance their operation.

Your Team can assist you with...

- Estate planning/farm transfer
- Current production
- Calf & heifer performance
- Heifer growth/reproduction
- Feed management & nutrition
- Reproduction
- Herd health
- Profit margins
- Grant opportunities
- Family communication
- Facility improvements/expansion
- Forage Production
- Transition to Organic

Your Coordinator will help...

- With the selection of your professional team
- Organize your initial farm diagnostic visit and follow up session with your diagnostic team
- Identify key opportunities for your dairy operation based on your initial meeting
- Prioritize opportunities and develop a plan of action
- Keep you and team informed by monitoring progress and providing written evaluations and reports
- Schedule meetings for you with your team or a part of your team
- Adjust goals to meet the needs of your dairy operation
- Help you network with dairy professionals

What MDI Farms Say...

"The MDI program has been essential to the growth and development of our dairy farm over the years. The team meetings, resources and ideas we get from agriculture professionals help us to ensure that we're making the right choices for our farm!"

- Dairy Producer, McLeod County

"Working with MDI, I have been much more able to understand my financial numbers. To any young farmer out there, I highly recommend working with MDI. I was once told that, in order to be successful, you need to have the right team around you. I feel I have the best team out there."

- Dairy Producer, Stearns County

APPLICATION

Complete and return this application to:
Emily Mollenhauer, 27500 County 9 Blvd Goodhue, MN 55027

Farm Name: _____
 Email: _____
 Phone: _____ Cell: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ Zip: _____
 Herd Size: _____ # of Acres: _____ County: _____
 Why do you want to participate? _____
 What do you hope to learn/accomplish? _____

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