
SE MINNESOTA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

SEMLM Meeting 29 April 2021
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2015 - 2017 Regional Convenings



SOUTHERN MINNESOTA
INITIATIVE FOUNDATION

Collaborating for Regional Vitality



2018 - 2019

- MnDOT-sponsored study for Regional Transportation Coordinating Council
 - Focus on Health & Human Services Needs
 - Region-wide engagement
- SE MN Region Communities said
 - We NEED TRANSPORTATION for HHS clients
AND EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION,
HOSPITALITY / TOURISM

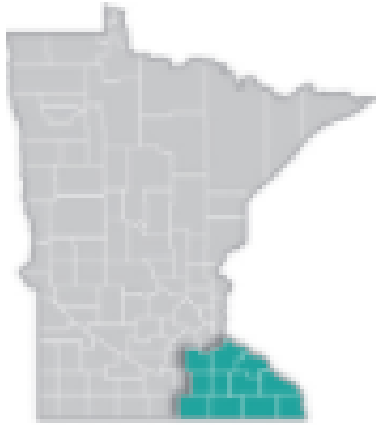
2020 - 2021

- Pandemic Changed Many Services
 - Work from home
 - No more commuting for many people
 - Commuter Bus Service Discontinued
- Moving Forward . . . What are the needs?
 - Rebounding Economy
 - Need for Employees
 - Need for Transportation

SE MN Regional Transportation

- Employees still need to travel to work
- Local employers trying to expand / grow
- Students are returning to school
- Hospitality/Tourism will rebound

- What details do we know??



mn EMPLOYMENT AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Southeast Minnesota Inflow/Outflow Data

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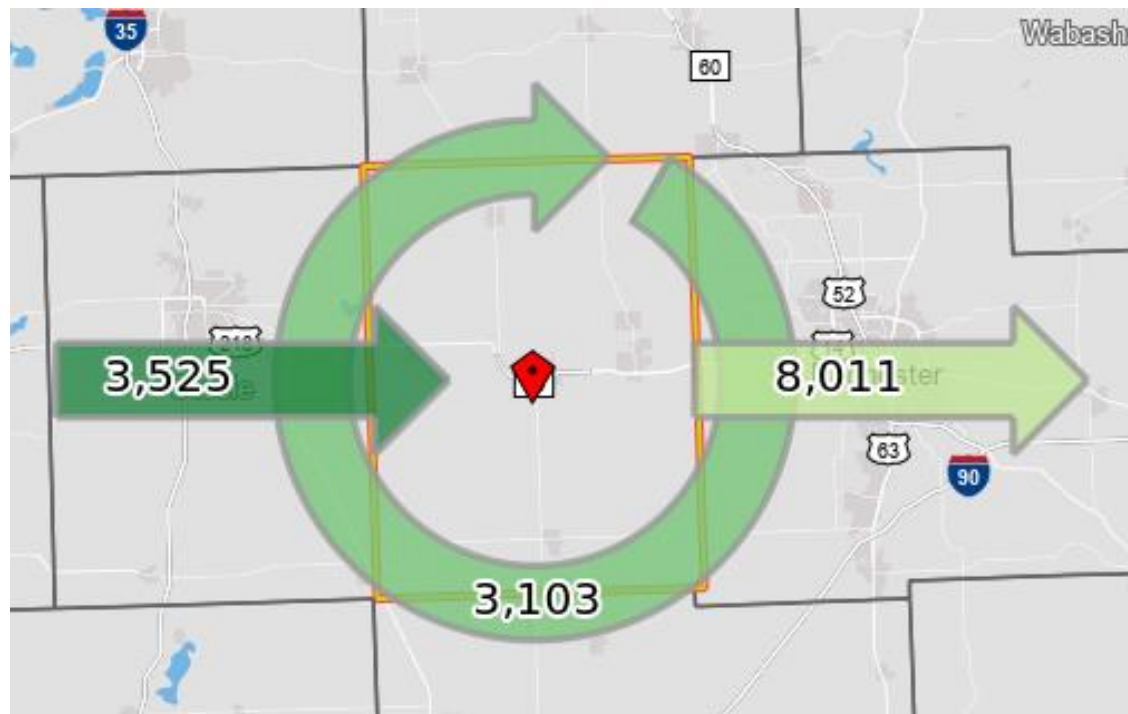
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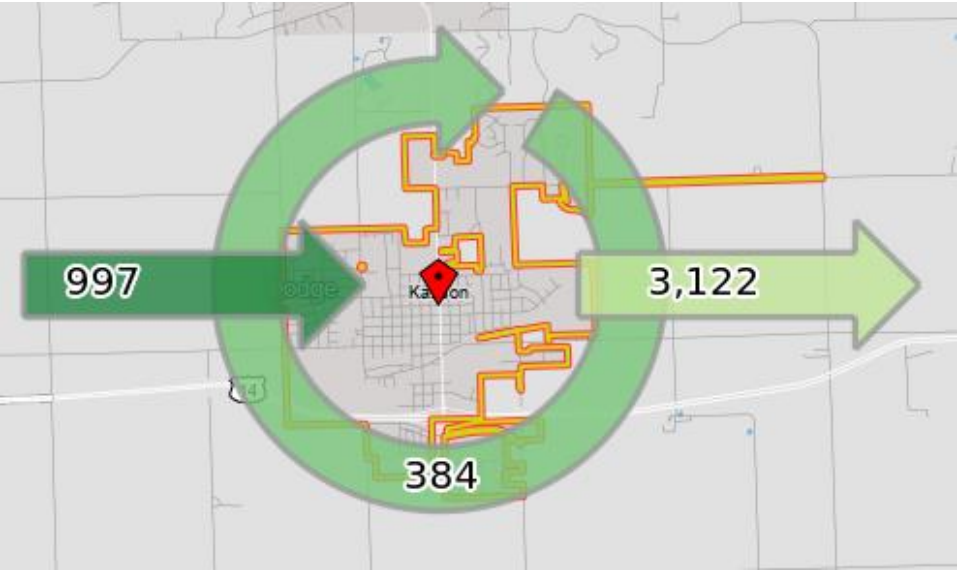
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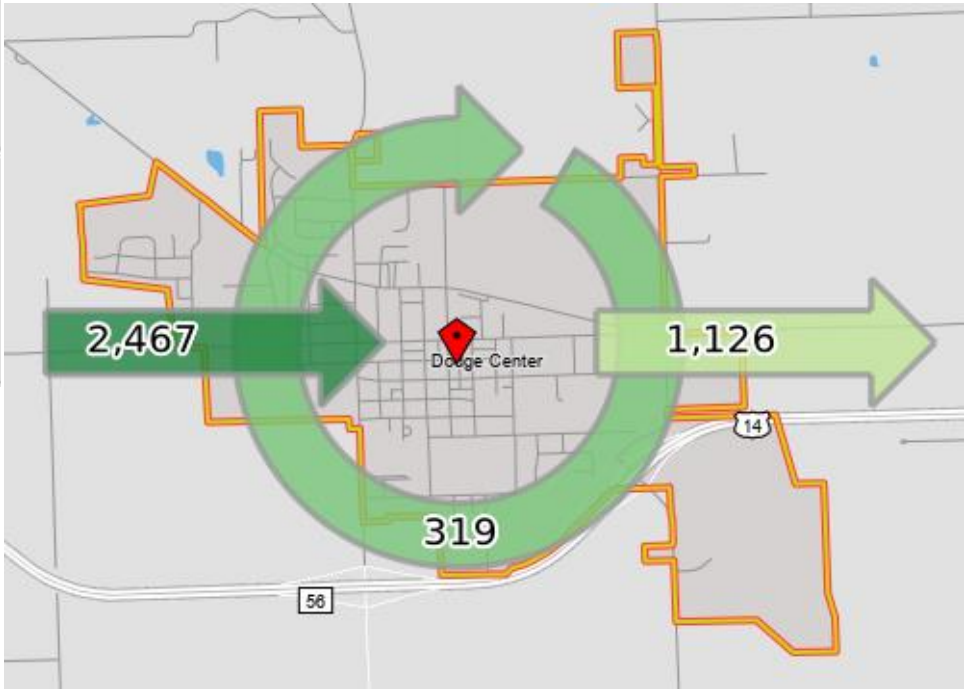


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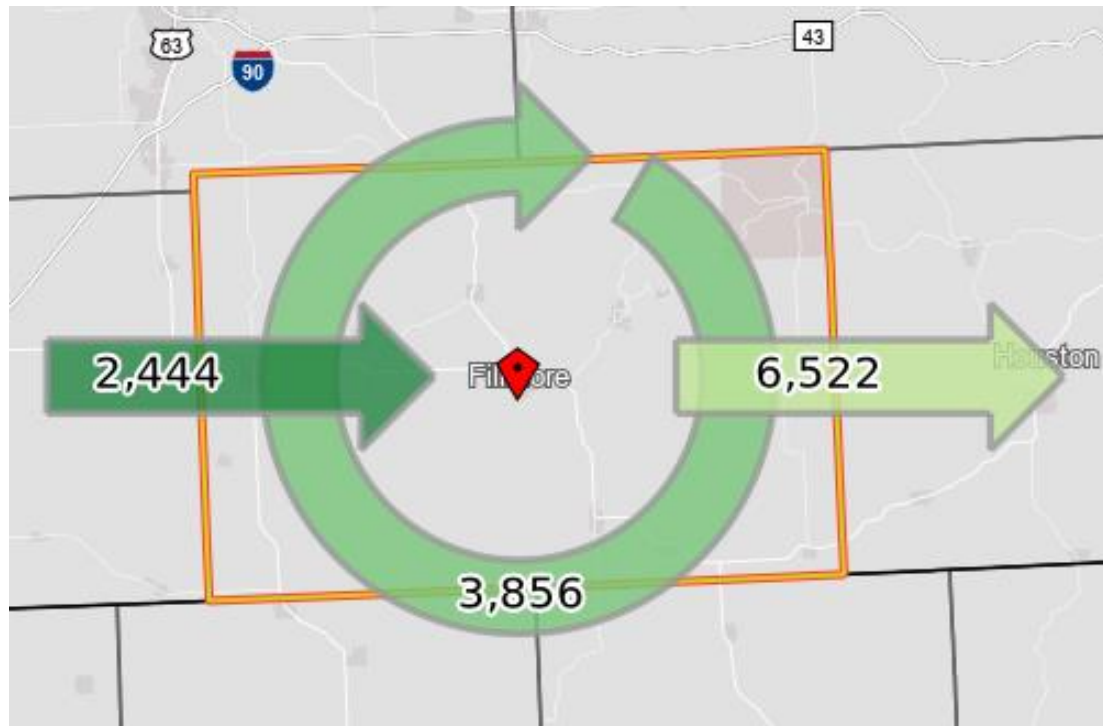


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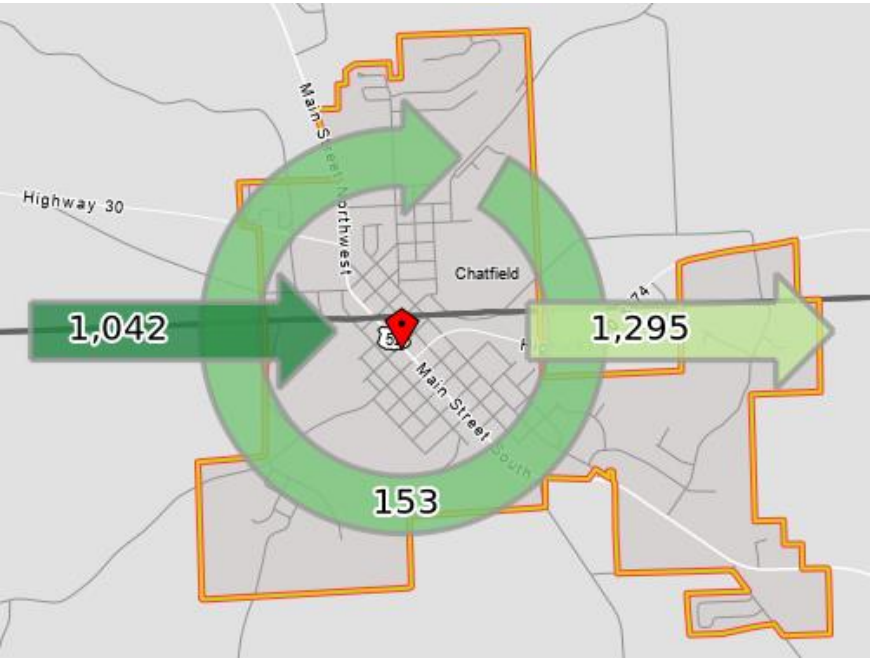
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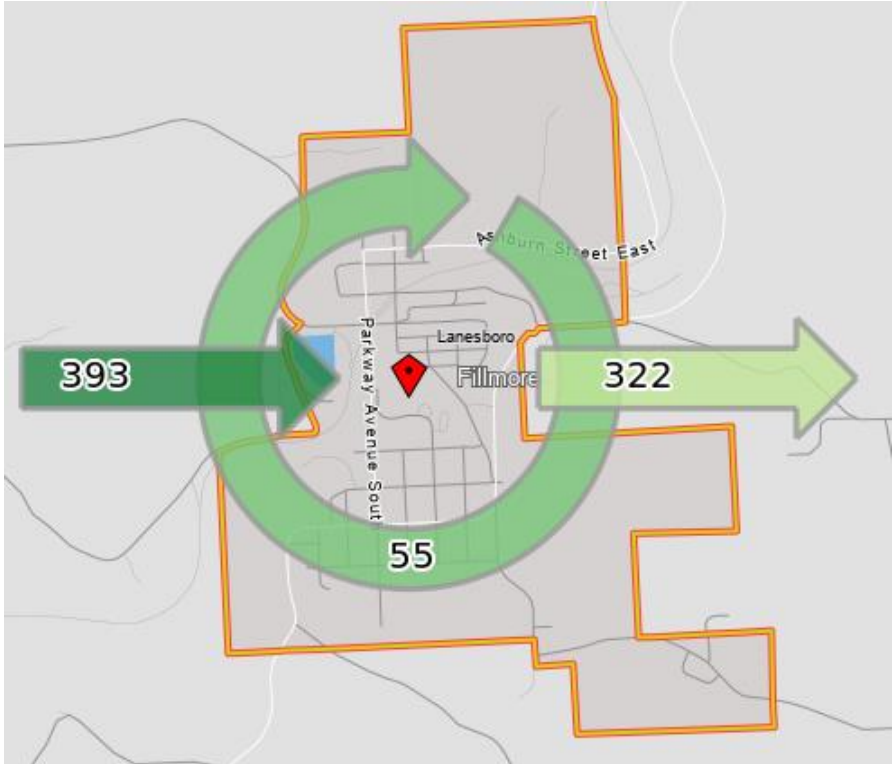


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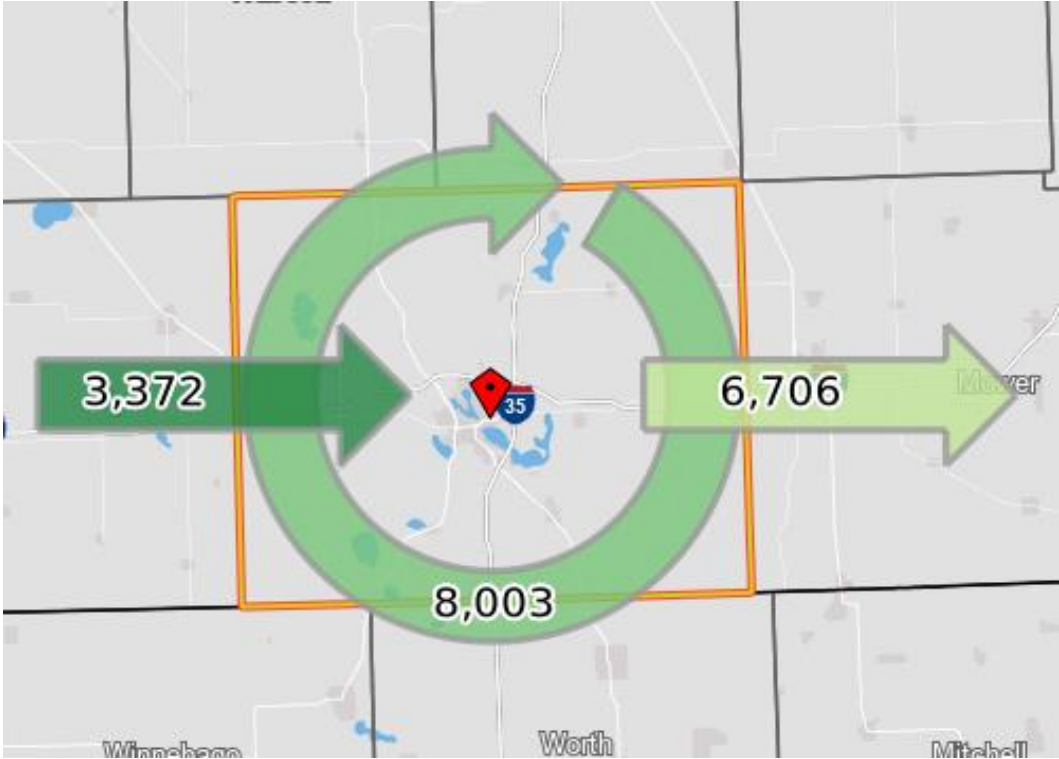


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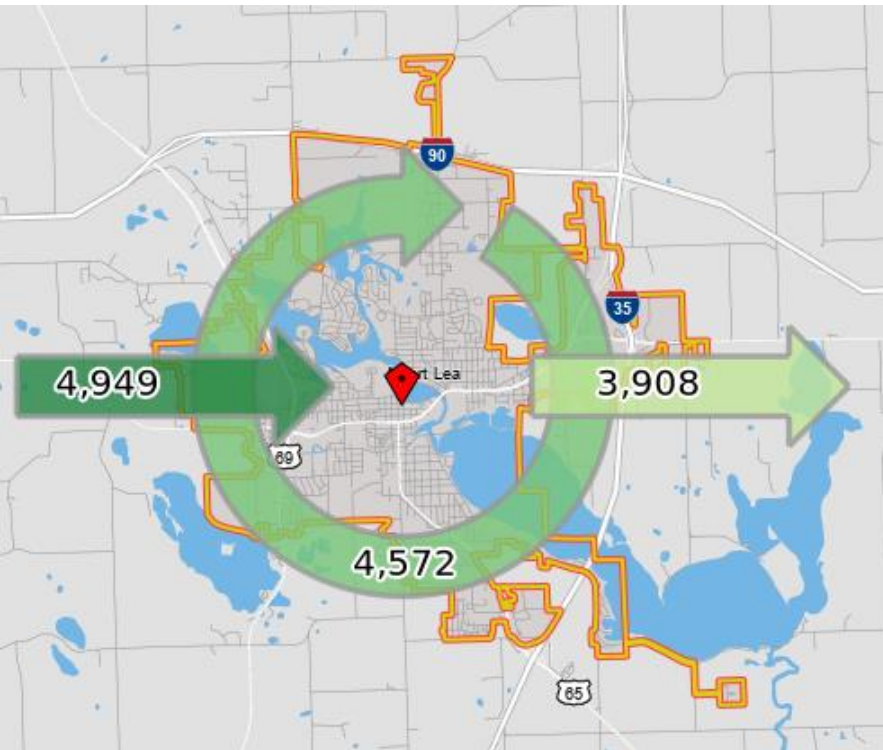
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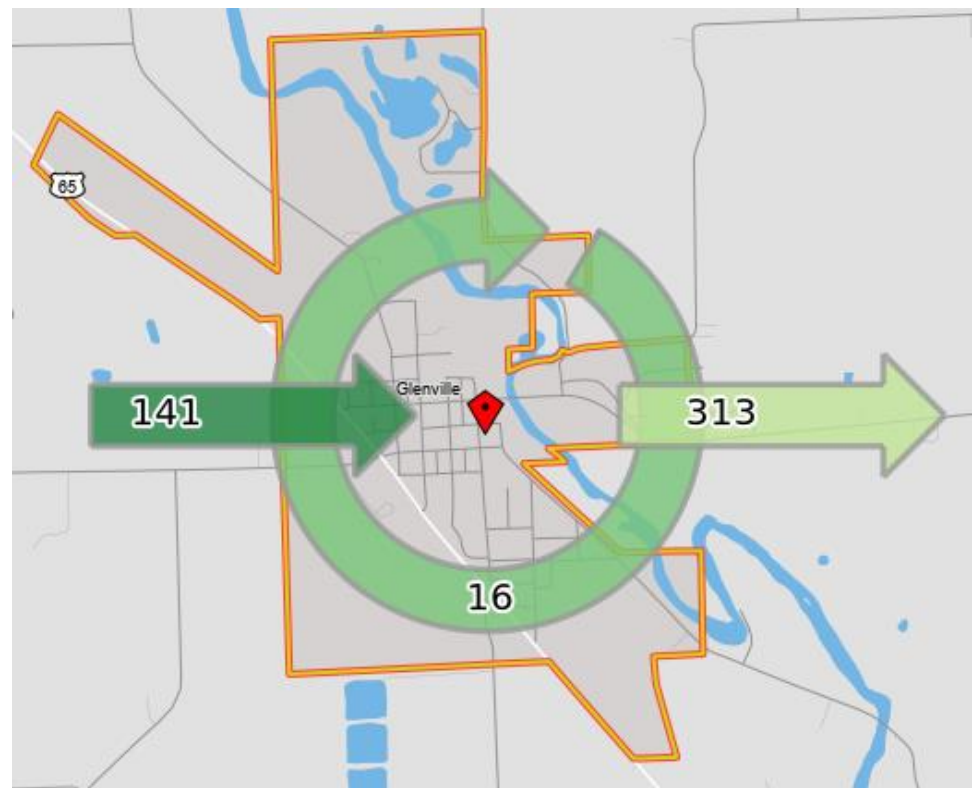


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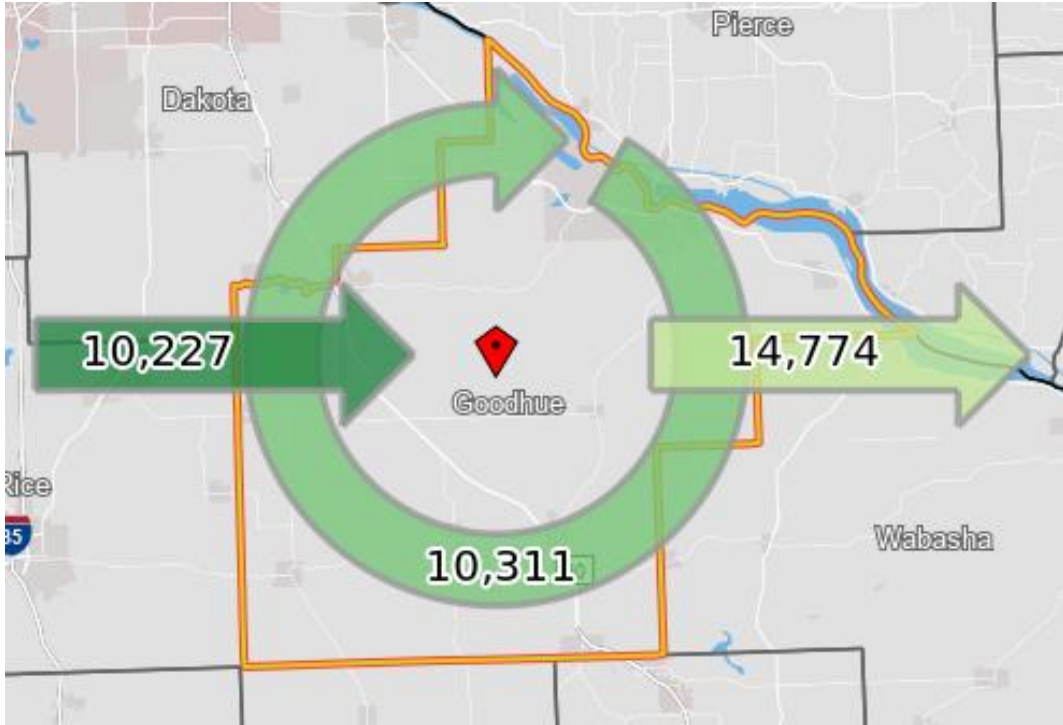


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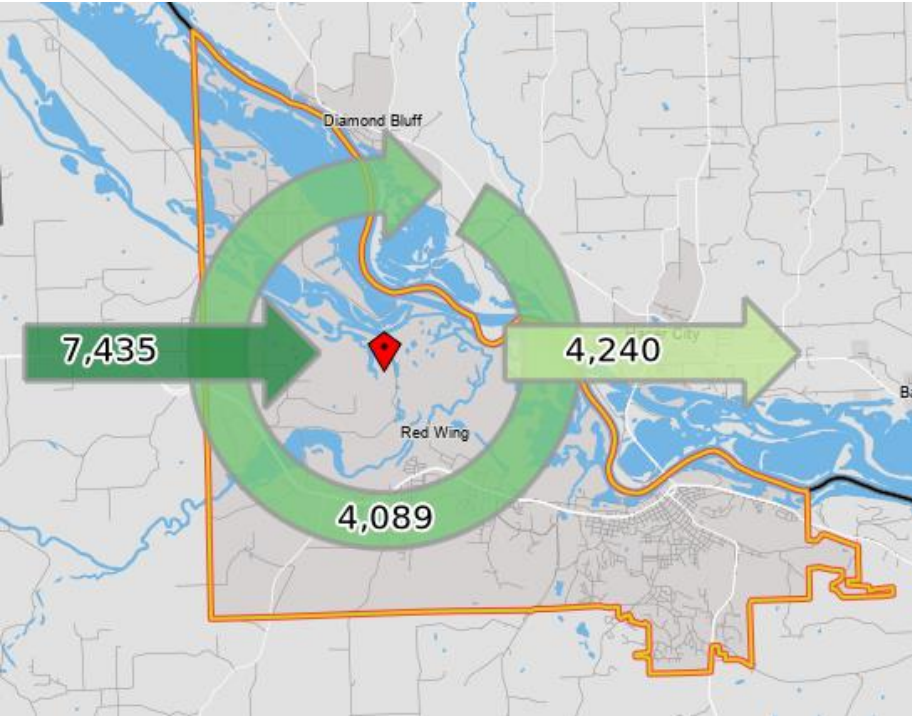
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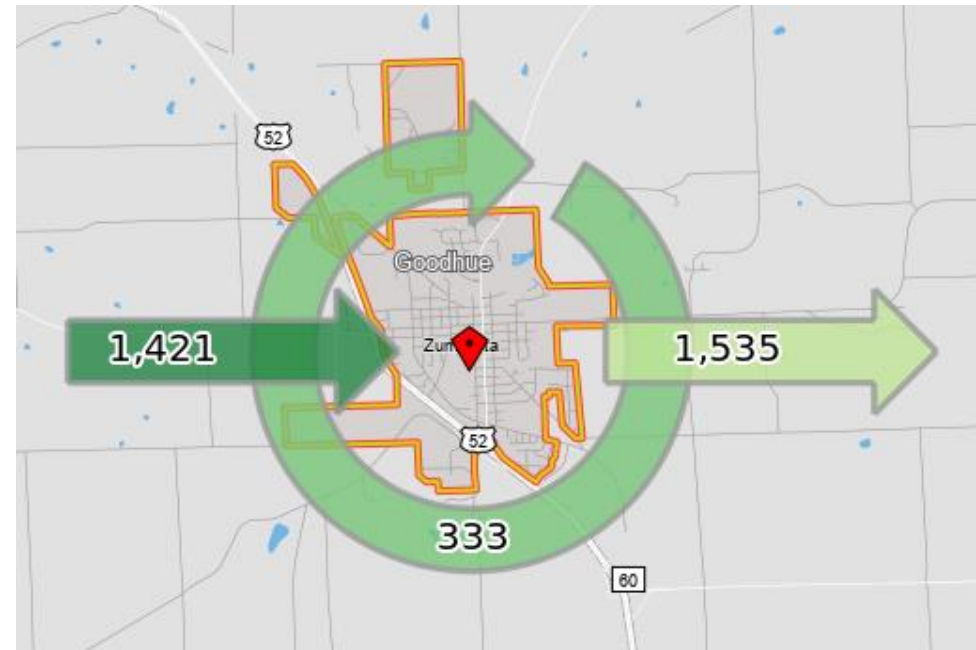


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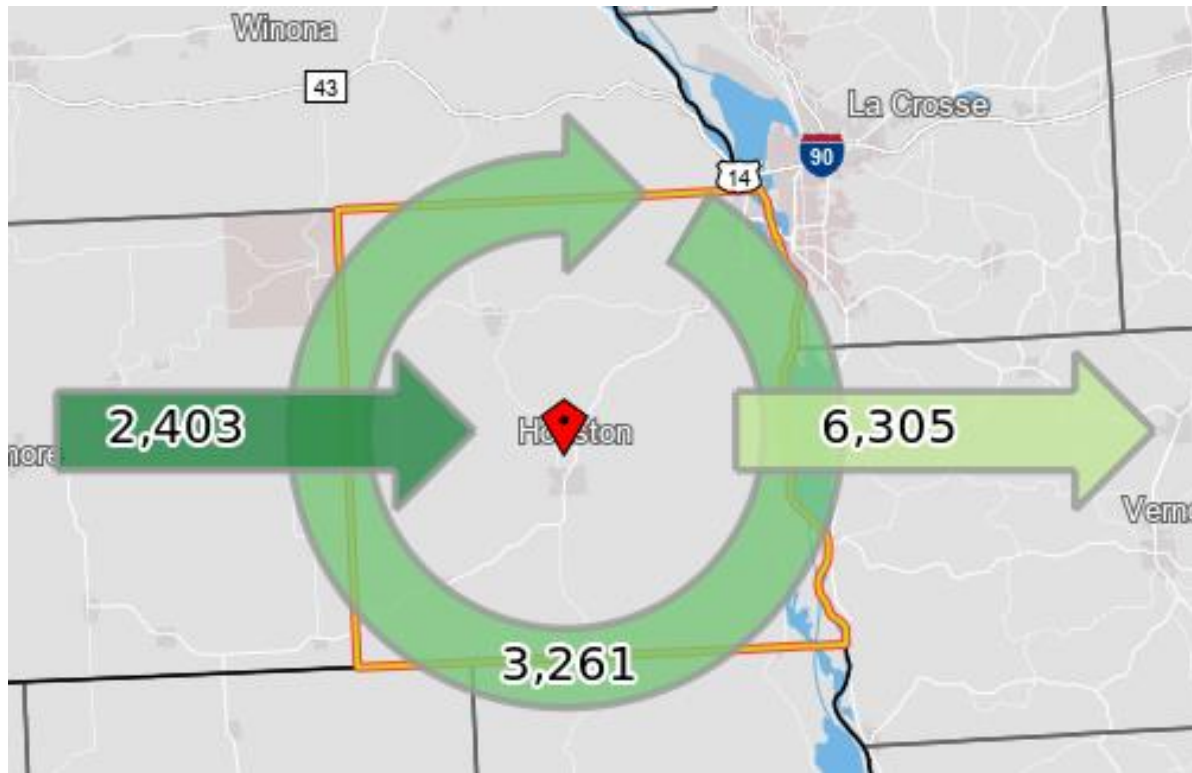


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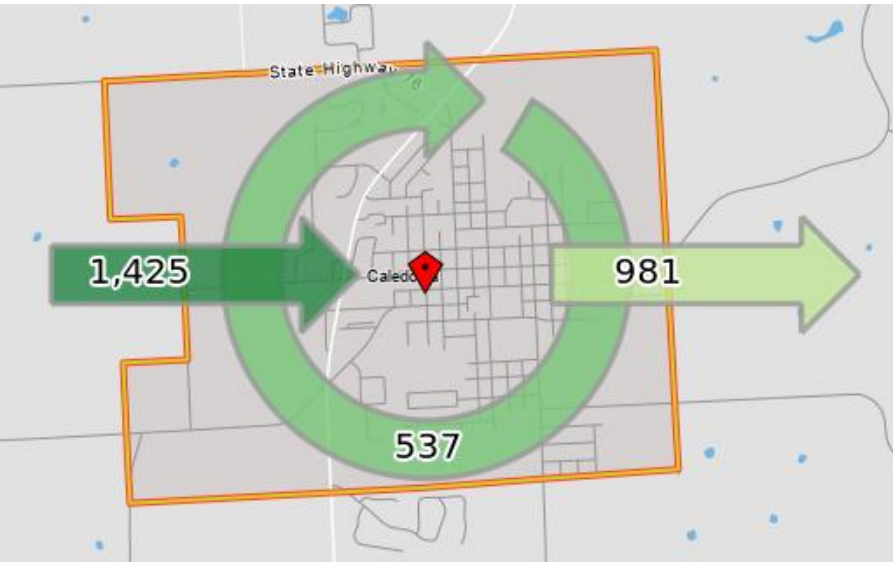
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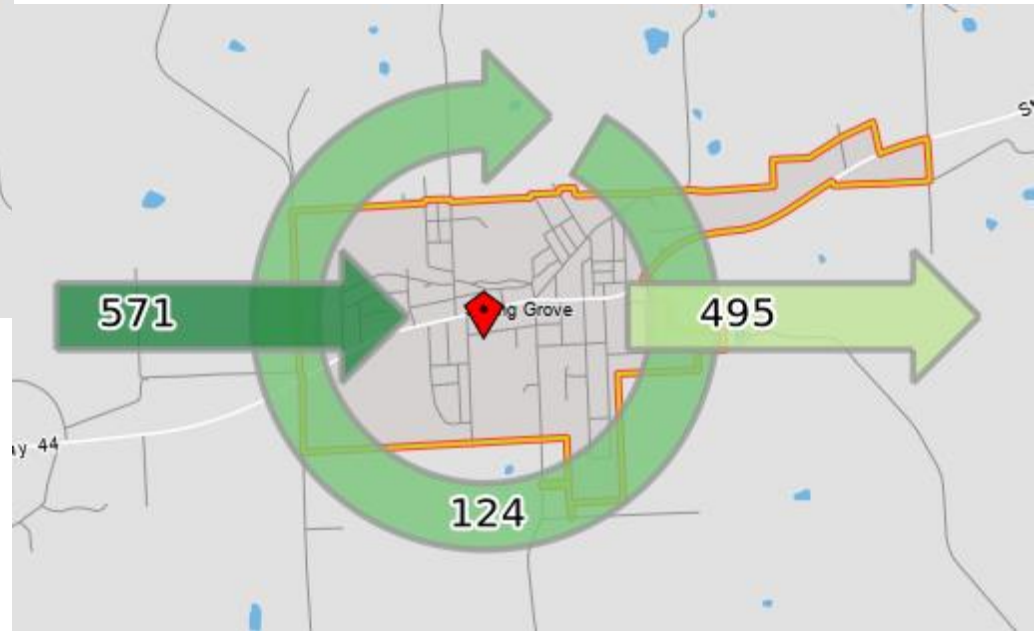


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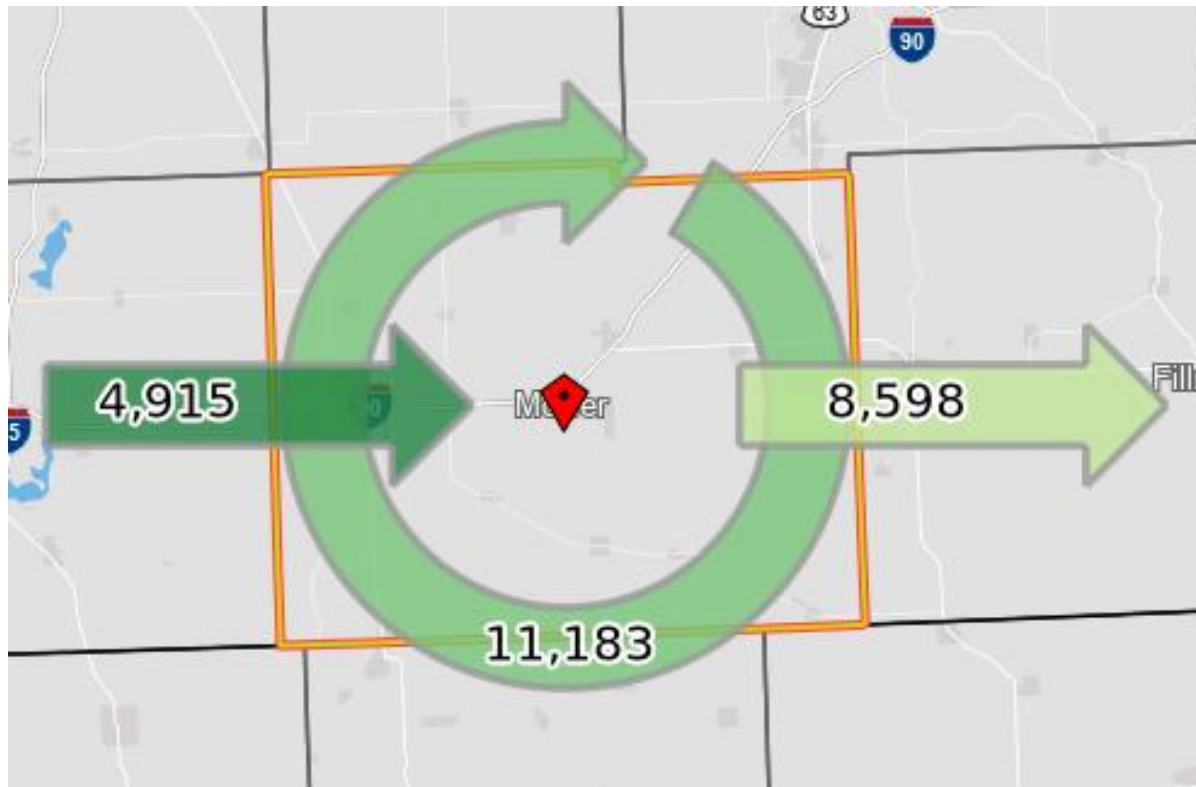


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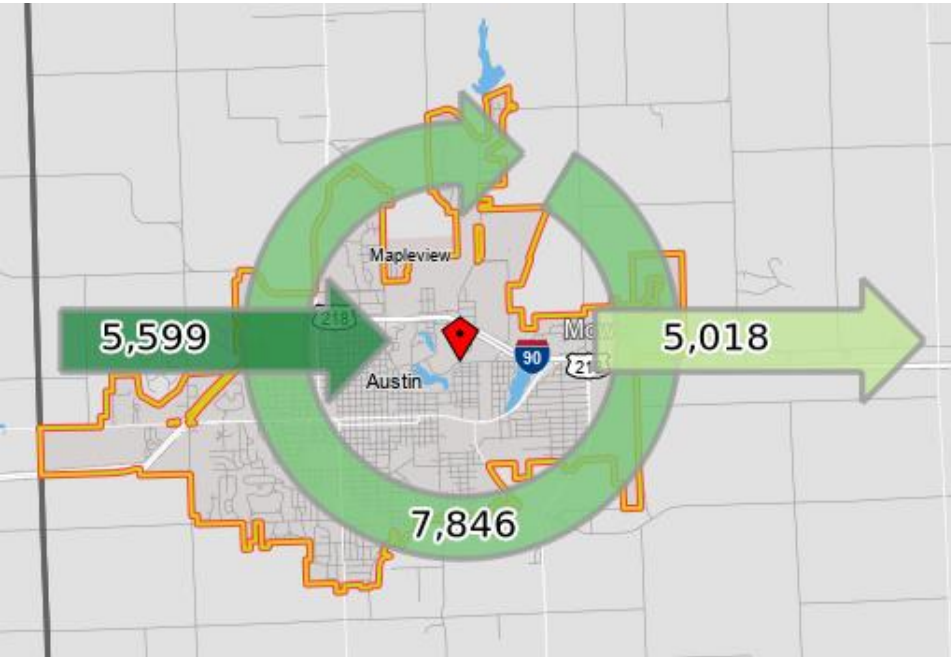
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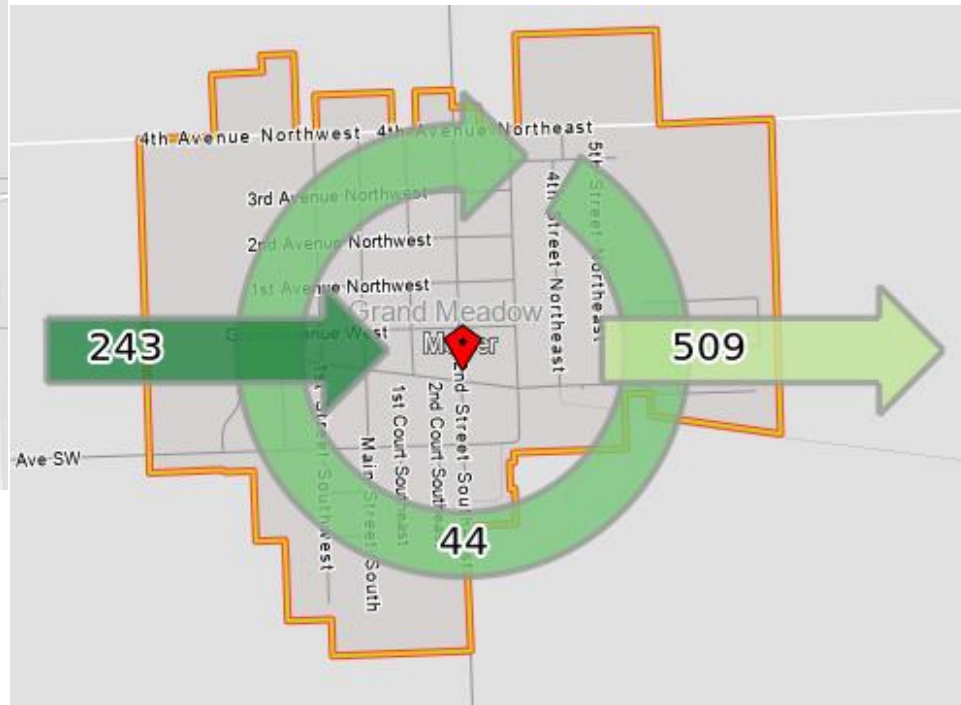


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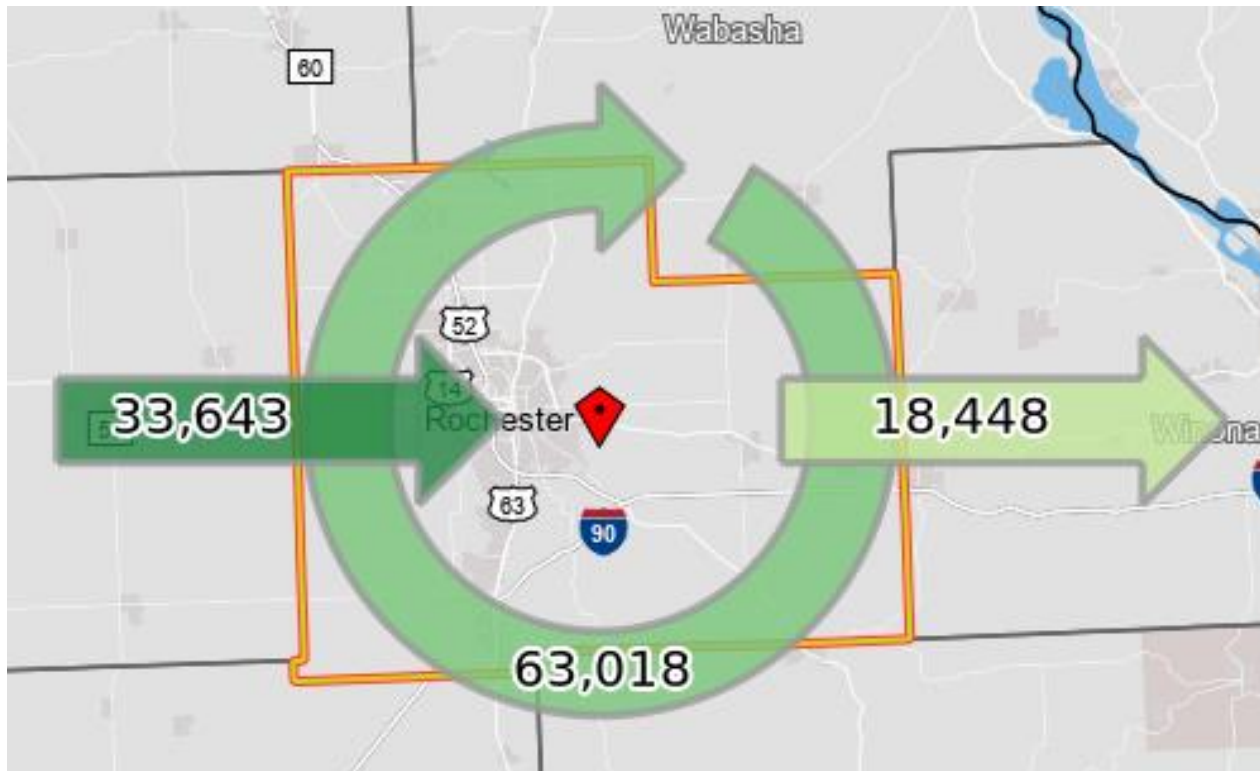


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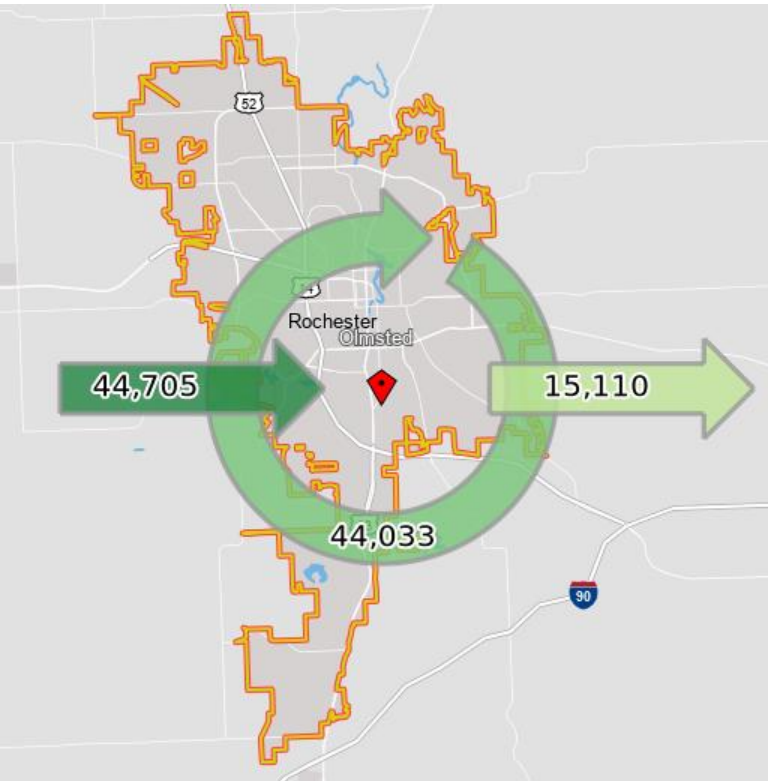
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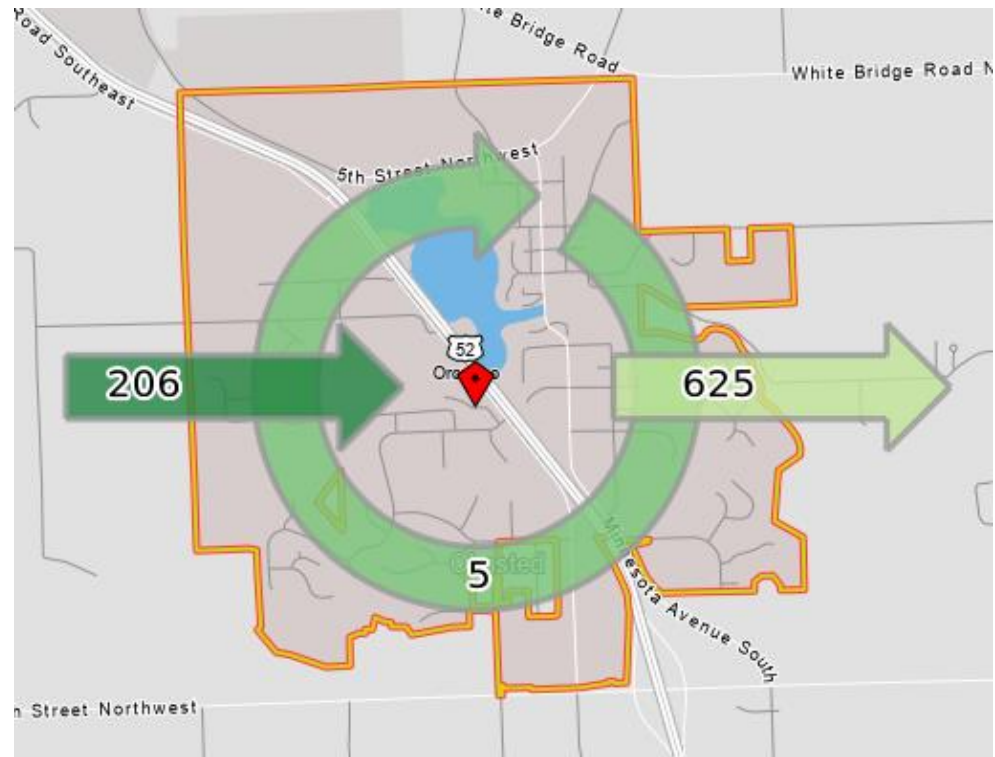


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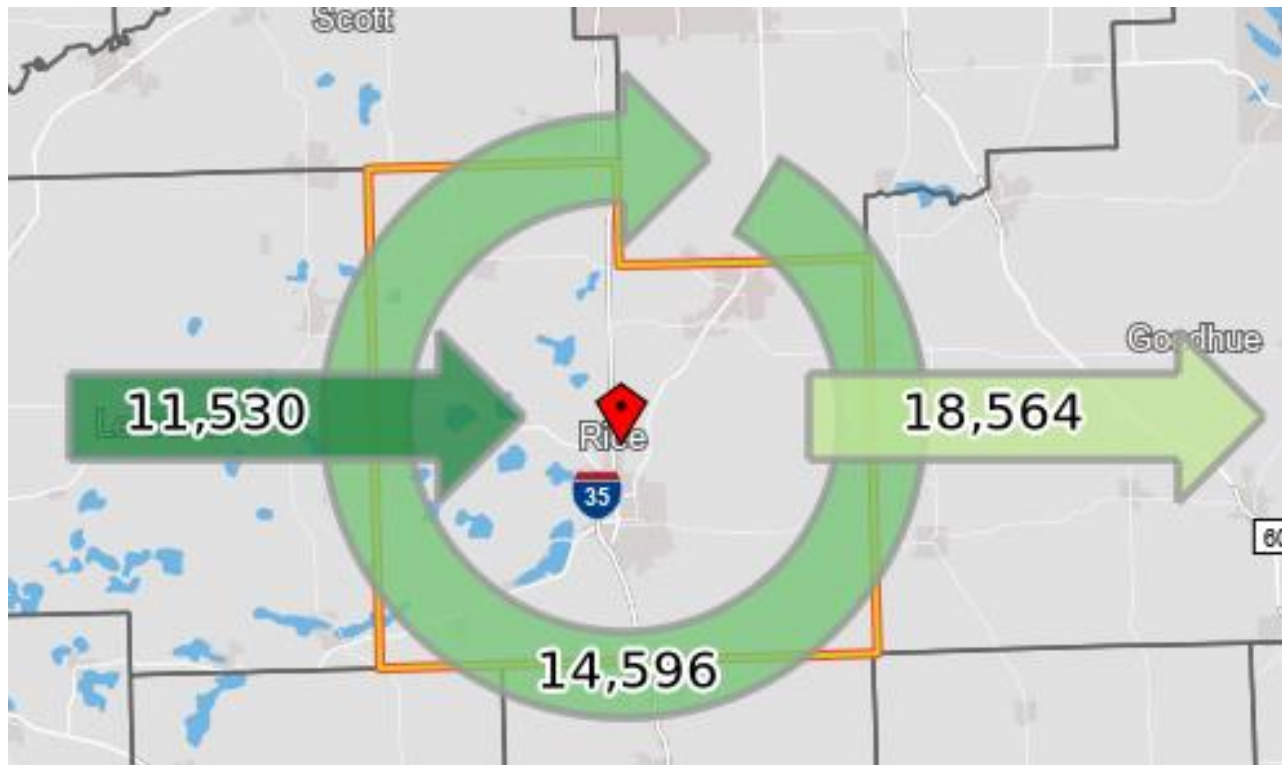


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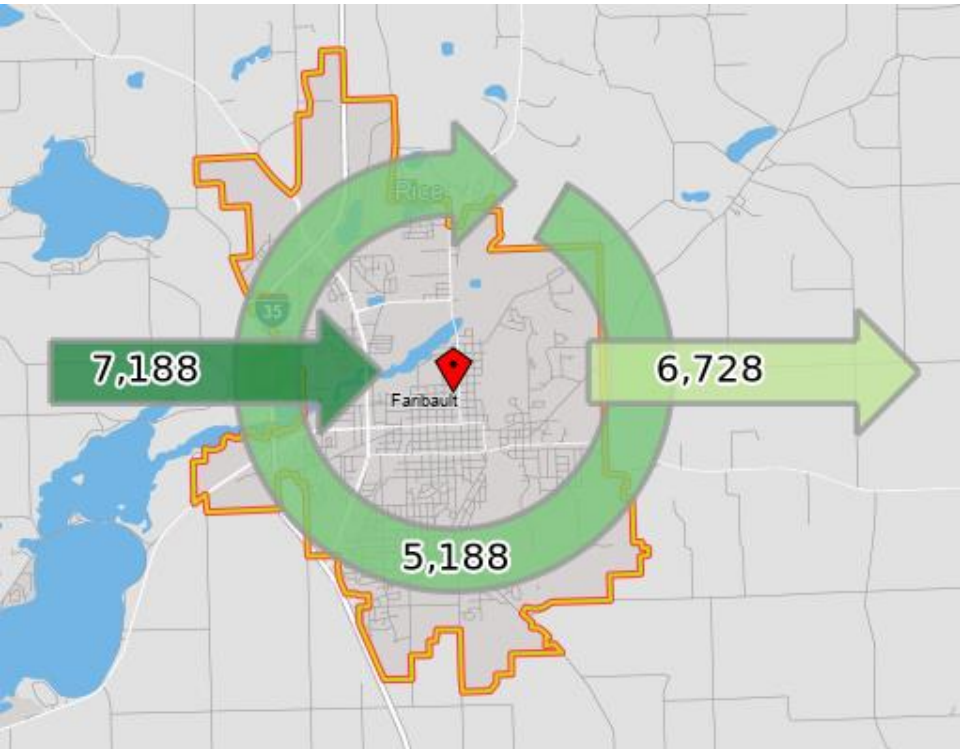
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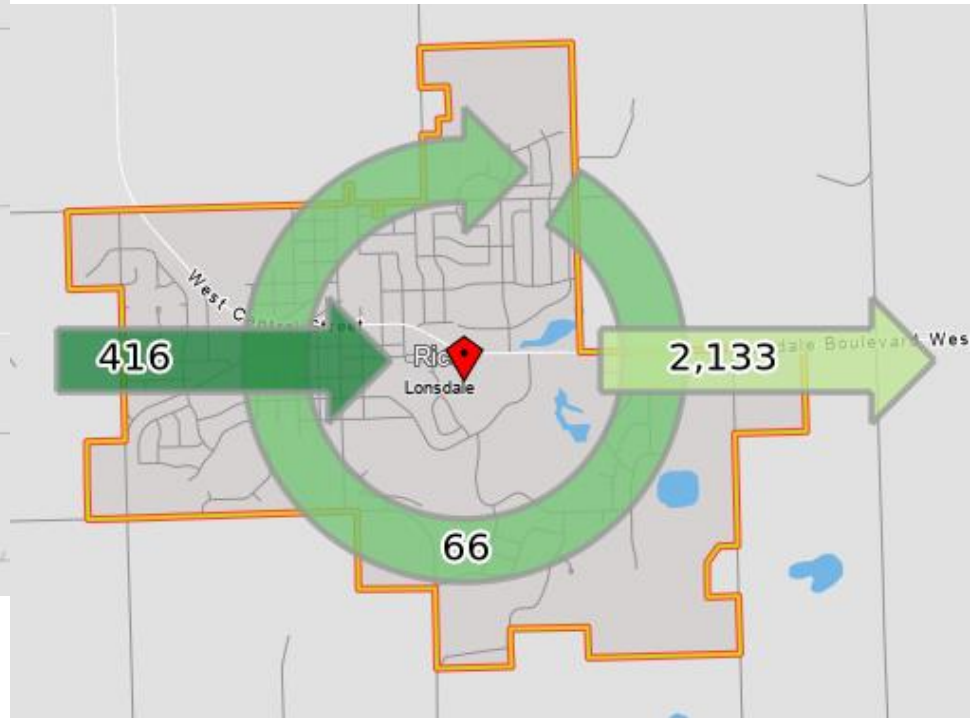


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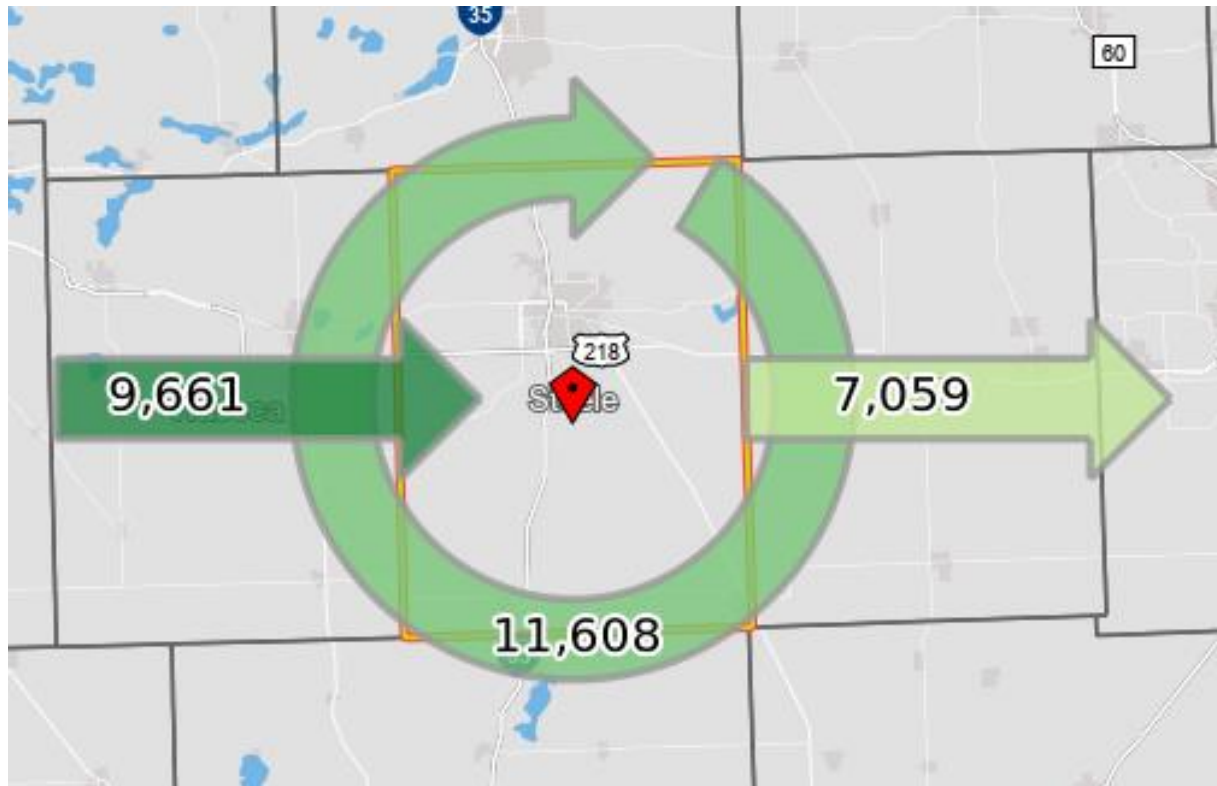


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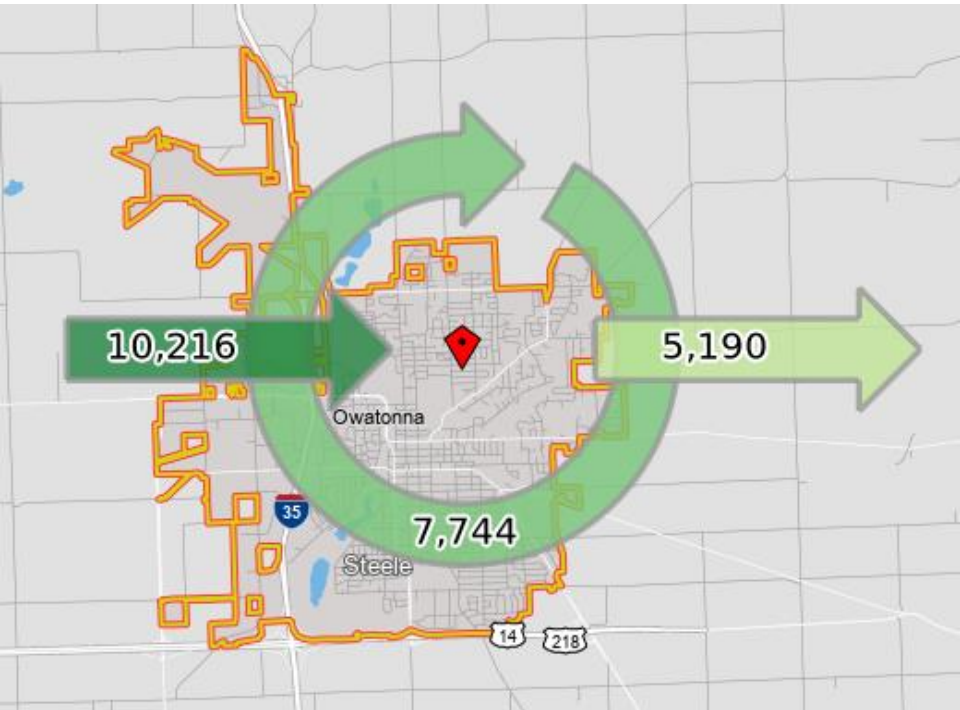
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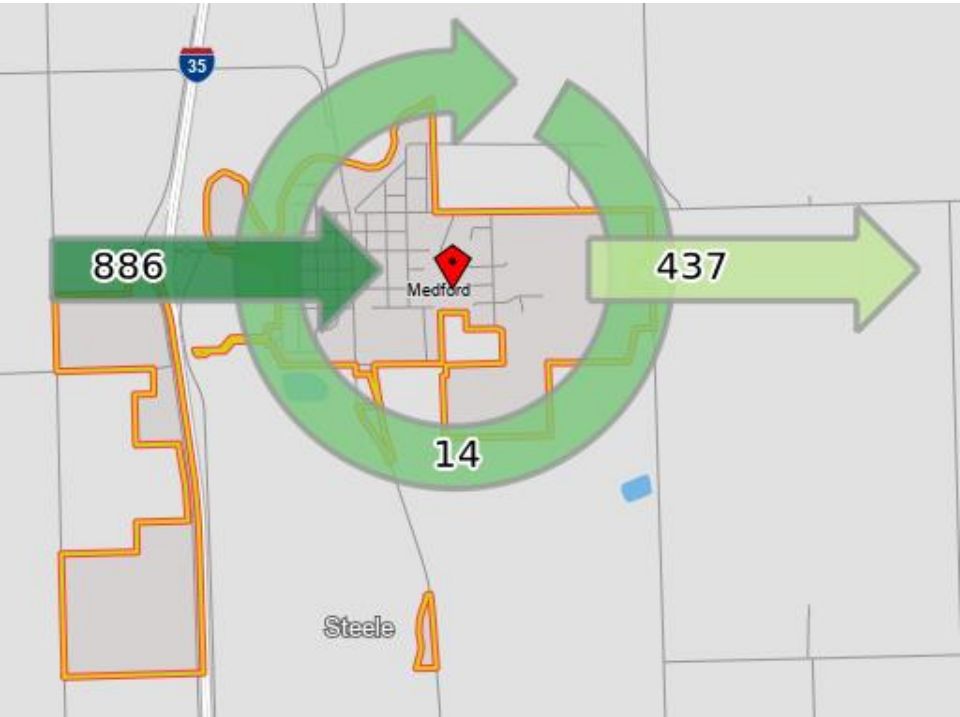


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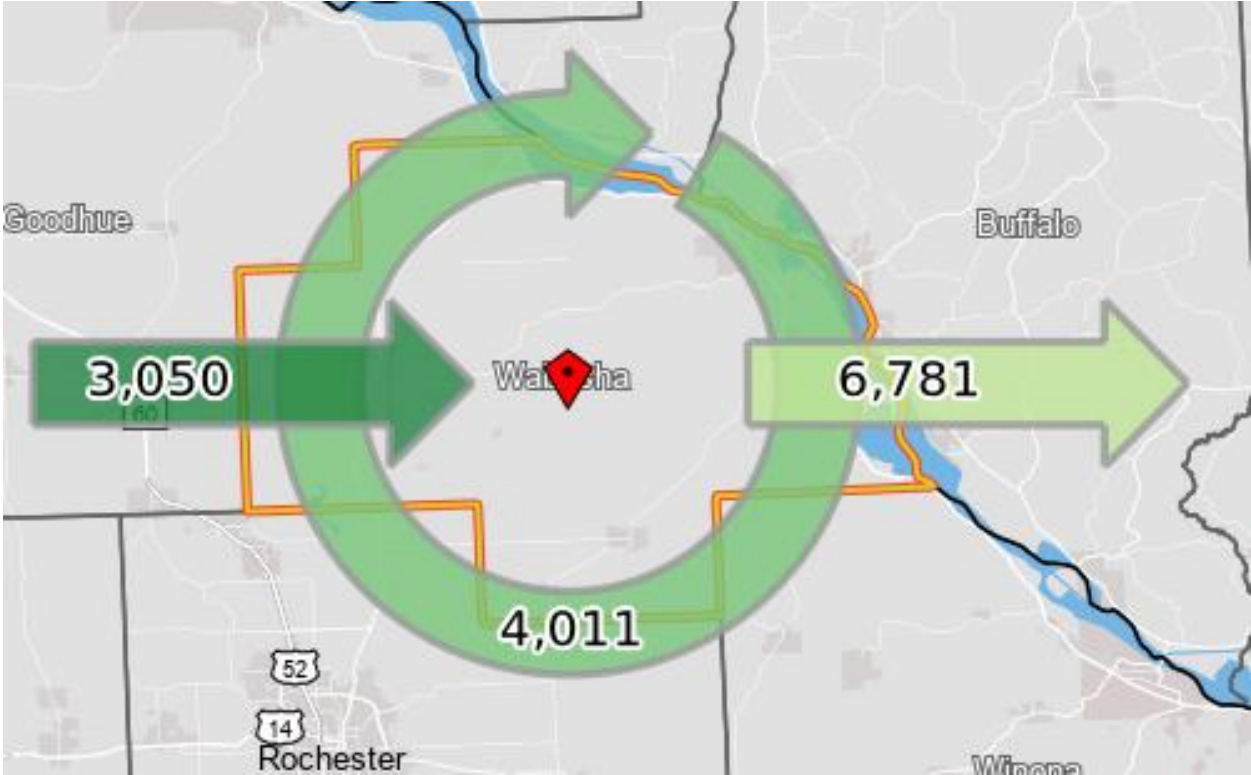


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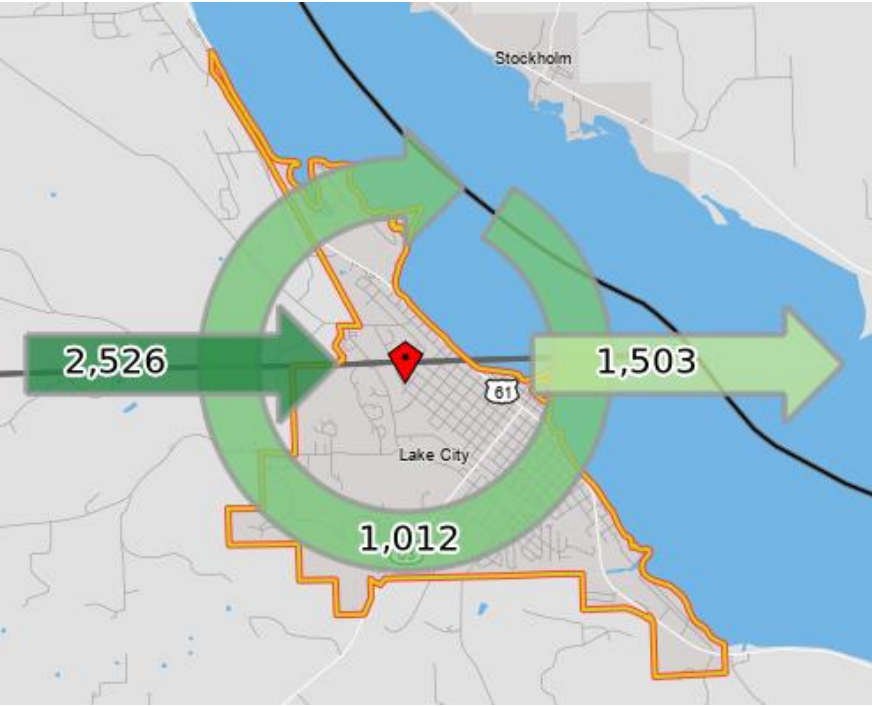
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Wabasha County



Lake City & Wabasha

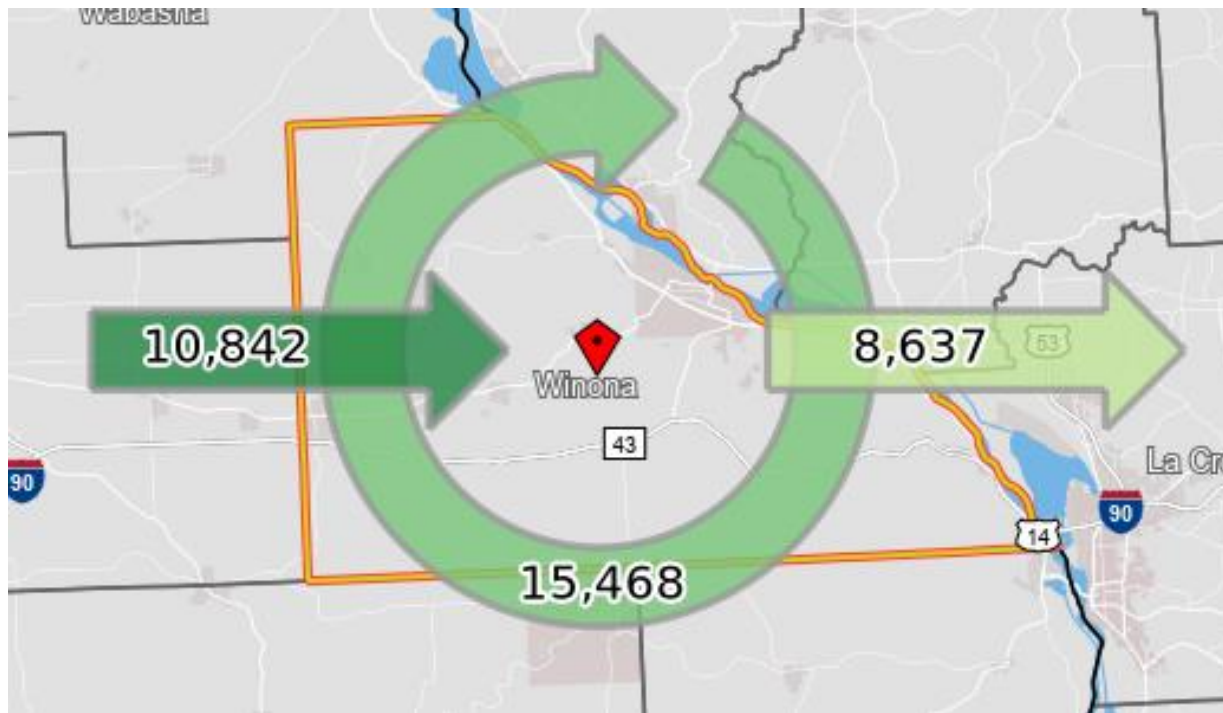


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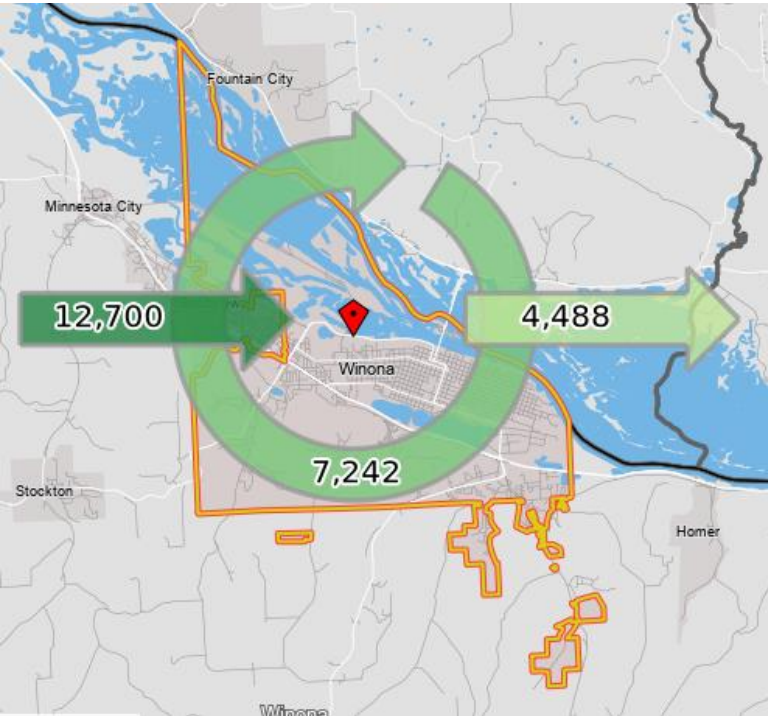
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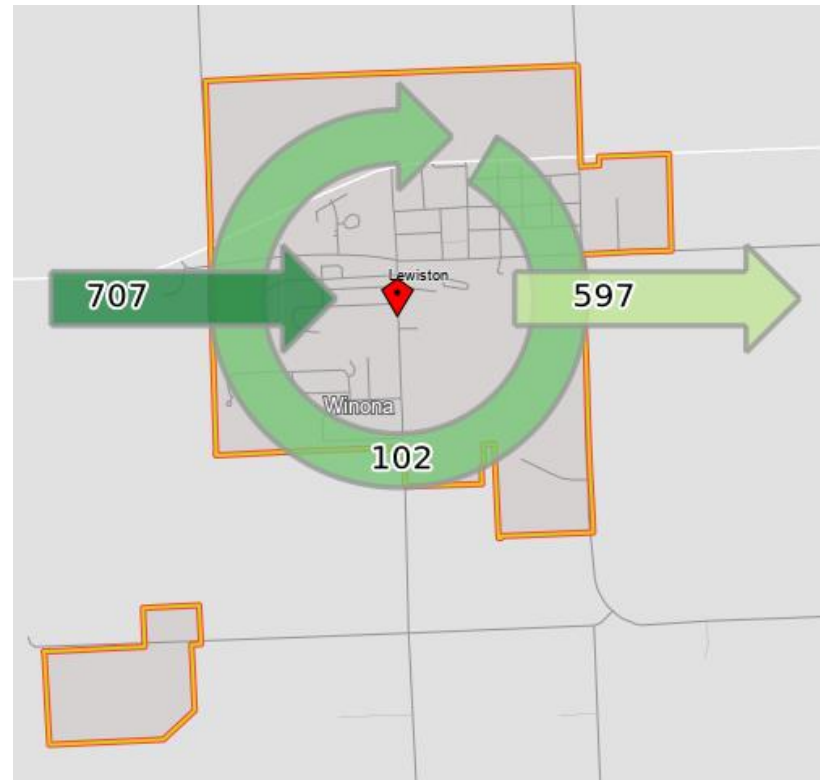


Winona & Lewiston



Winona

Lewiston



2021 Federal Stimulus Program

- Cities & Counties receiving Federal \$\$
- City-selected and County-selected projects to improve our economy
- **Request to allocate small percentage of funds** to organize and set up Regional Transportation System which benefits the entire SE MN Region
- This is a **Legacy Project** to Build Back Better for all of SE Minnesota

SOLVING SE MINNESOTA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION

- FUNDING
 - \$2.50/capita for organizational set up
 - Anticipate available sustainable funding through Federal sources for operations
- WHO LEADS?
 - Entity or Agency to lead the process?
- WHAT'S NEXT?
 - Communicate with your City Council & your County Boards

For additional details, or background for your discussions:

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