

# Koochiching County / International Falls

## Resource Guide

### Lending Institutions

**Border State Bank**

David Hebig, President  
414 Hwy 71  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-5556

**Bremer Bank**

Mike Turenne, President  
345 4th Ave  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-9411

**First National Bank of Deerwood**

*Northome Branch*  
PO Box 6 • 12080 Main St  
Northome, MN 56661  
218-897-5285

**TruStar Federal Credit Union***Big Falls Branch*

PO Box 37  
Big Falls, MN 56627  
218-276-2700

*Int'l Falls Branch*

Dale Johnson, President  
601 4th St  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-2000

*Littlefork Branch*

101 Main Street  
Littlefork, MN 56653  
218-278-4200

**Wells Fargo**

419 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-9876

### Local Economic Development Agencies

**Koochiching Economic Development Authority (KEDA)** – The Koochiching Economic Development Authority is the lead development agency for Koochiching County and the City of International Falls. It serves as the primary point of contact for businesses looking to locate or expand in the county and International Falls. KEDA coordinates the various resources dedicated to job creation, retention and expansion throughout the area.

**Koochco** – Koochco is a private, non-profit gap financing agency. Loans are designed to create and maintain permanent employment throughout Koochiching County.

**Koochiching Development Authority (KDA)** – Prior to the creation of the KEDA, the Koochiching County Board was granted various economic development powers to assist with projects in Koochiching County. It still retains those powers and works in conjunction with the KEDA to provide resources to qualifying projects.

**City of Big Falls**

Joan Nelson  
City Clerk  
PO Box 196  
Big Falls, MN 56627  
218-276-2282

**City of International Falls**

Rod Otterness  
City Administrator  
600 4th St  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-9484

**City of Littlefork**

Mike Fairchild  
City Administrator  
901 Main Street  
Littlefork, MN 56653  
218-278-6710

**City of Northome**

Connie White  
City Clerk  
P.O. Box 65  
Northome, MN 56661  
218-897-5762



# Other Local Resources

## Accounting

Randy Pozniak, CPA  
213 3rd St  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-8148

**North Border Financial Services, LLC** - William Higham  
400 Third Street  
International Falls, MN 56649  
218-285-6111

## International Falls Convention and Visitors Bureau

Pete Schultz, Director  
cvb@rainylake.org  
301 2nd Ave  
International Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-9400  
800-325-5766  
www.rainylake.org

## MN Workforce Center

1501 Hwy 71  
International Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-9427  
www.mnworkforcecenter.org

## Rainy River Community College

1501 Hwy 71  
International Falls, MN 56649  
218-285-7722  
www.rrcc.mnscu.edu

## International Falls Chamber of Commerce

Faye Whitbeck, President  
president@intlfalls.org  
301 2nd Ave  
International Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-9400  
800-325-5766  
www.ifallschamber.com

## Small Business Development Center

Jenny Dougherty  
jenny@businessupnorth.com  
405 3rd Street • P.O. Box 138  
International Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-8585 or 1-800-452-3569

## Local Foundations

### Bremer Foundation

Myrna Meadows, Program Manager  
345 4th Ave  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-286-5622  
www.ottobremer.org

## Leasing Agencies

### Mosaic International

Tim Riggs, President  
1229 3rd St • Suite 201  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-285-7421  
www.mosaicleasing.com

## Island View Realty

435 3rd St  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-285-7060  
www.islandviewrealty.com

## Century 21

409 3rd Ave  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-9816  
www.century21ifalls.com

## Lakehomes.com

P.O. Box 351  
Ranier, MN 56668  
218-286-8888  
www.lakehomes.com

## Krantz Appraisals

420 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-4474

## Choice Appraisal Co.

3057 County Rd 125  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-540-0108

## Commercial Real Estate

### Arrowhead Regional Development Commission (ARDC)

Bob Palmquist  
221 W 1st St, Duluth, MN 55802  
218-722-5545  
www.ardc.org

### Northspan Group, Inc

Randy Lasky, President  
221 W 1st St  
Duluth, MN 55802-1909  
218-722-5545  
www.northspan.org

### Northland Foundation

John Elden, Business Finance Director  
202 W Superior St • Suite 610  
Duluth, MN 55802  
218-723-4040  
www.northlandfdn.org

### Dept of Employment and Economic Development (DEED)

Heather Rand, Northeast Regional Representative  
320 West 2nd St • Suite 205  
Duluth, MN 55802  
888-345-4528  
www.deed.state.mn.us

### MN Business Finance Corporation

Chuck Nordquist, Business Development  
1710 Paul Bunyan Dr. NW • Suite 105  
Bemidji, MN 56601  
218-759-8481  
www.mbfc.org

### Northeast Entrepreneur Fund (NEEF)

Mary Mathews, President  
8355 Unity Dr • Suite 100  
Virginia, MN 55792  
800-422-0374  
www.entrepreneurfund.org

### MN Power

Nancy Norr,  
Regional Development Manager  
30 W Superior St  
Duluth, MN 55802  
218-723-3913  
www.mnpower.com/econdev

Appraisals

Regional Resources

# Other Local Resources

## Broadband/Telecommunications

**Midcontinent Communications**

1-800-888-1300  
www.midcocomm.com

**Frontier**

1-800-921-8102  
www.frontier.com

**Northwinds Net**

1-218-283-8292  
www.northwinds.net

**Paul Bunyan**

1-800-276-8015  
www.paulbunyan.net

## Local and Regional Media

**Charter Media**

1215 3rd Ave East  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-240-0062 • 218-283-8759  
suzie.best@chartercom.com

**International Falls Journal**

1602 Highway 71  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-285-7411  
www.ifallsjournal.com

**Littlefork Times**

PO Box 61  
Littlefork, MN 56653  
218-278-4143  
littleforktimes@frontiernet.net

**Big Falls Ripple Newsletter**

PO Box 38  
Big Falls, MN 56627  
218-276-2481

**Northome Area News**

9117 Hwy 1  
Northome, MN 56661  
218-897-5756  
northomeareanews@yahoo.com

**KSDM/KGHS Radio**

519 3rd St  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-3481  
www.ksdmradio.com

**93.1 The Border**

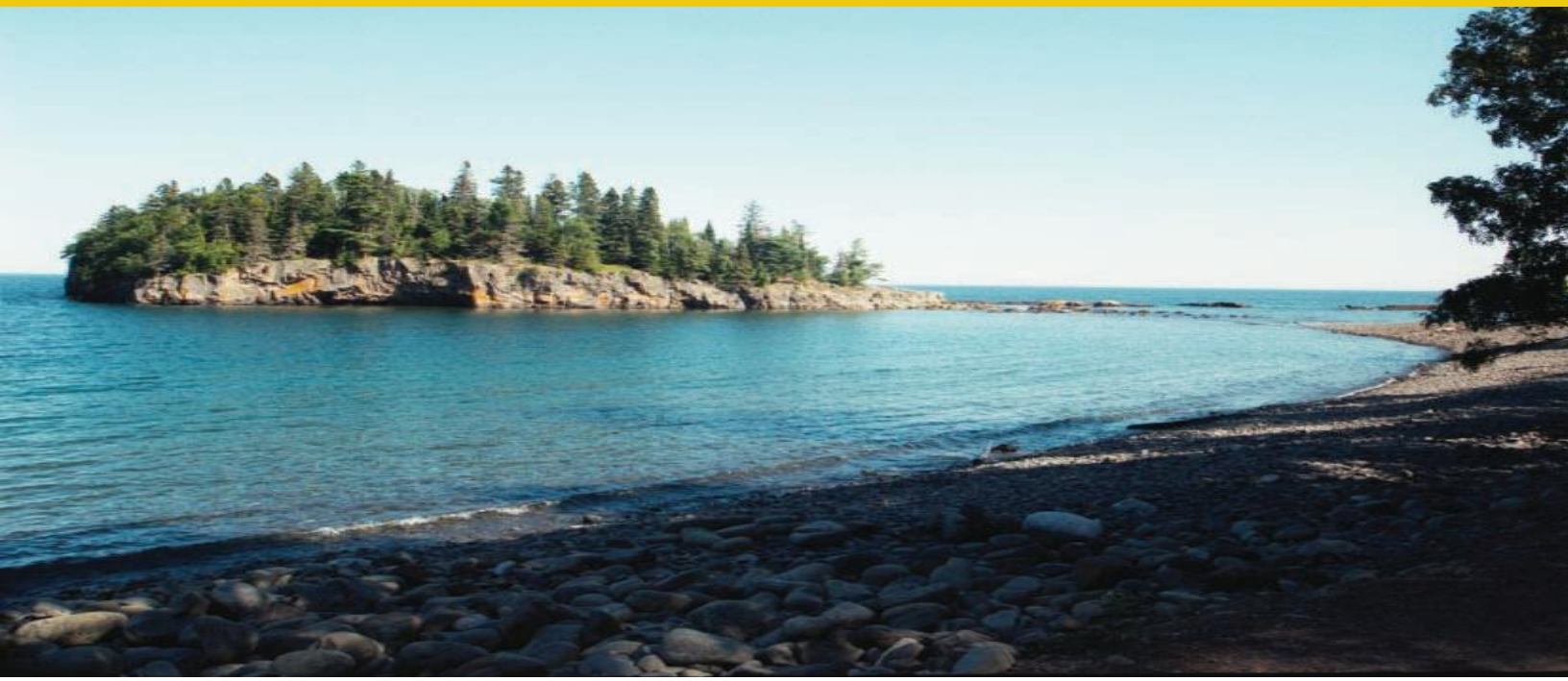
PO Box 1250  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-4420  
www.b93.ca

**Psalm 99:5 Radio**

PO Box 433  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-285-7398  
www.psalms99.org

**Minnesota Public Radio**

KITF • 88.1-88.3 FM  
P.O. Box 578  
Bemidji, MN 56619-0578  
218-751-8864



# Other Local Resources

## Transportation of Goods and Services

### Rail

**CN – North America's Railroad**  
17641 Ashland Avenue  
Homewood, IL 60430  
414-817-1442  
www.cn.ca

**MD&W Railway**  
101 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-285-5290

### Heavy Hauling

**Mannco Trucking**  
2470 Highway 332 South  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-3898

**Ziemba Trucking**  
6002 County Road 1  
Littlefork, MN 56653  
218-278-6735

**Hi-Tech Express**  
3195 Highway 53  
International Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-8744

### General Freight

**Wenberg Transfer**  
P.O. Box 1192, Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-8011 • wenbergtransfer@yahoo.com

### Airline Services/Car Rental

**Falls International Airport**  
2639 County Road 108  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-4630

**Einarson Flying Service**  
3214 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue East  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-4461  
www.einarsonflyingservice.com

**Avis Car Rental**  
218-285-7799

**National Car Rental**  
218-283-4626

### Shipping

**Border Boxes**  
231 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-8666  
www.borderboxes.com

**FedEx**  
800-463-3339  
www.fedex.com

**UPS**  
206 Van Lynn Road  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
800-723-7883  
218-283-3431

**U.S. Postal Service**  
400 4<sup>th</sup> Street  
Int'l Falls, MN 56649  
218-283-3331



### Customs Brokers

**Livingston International Inc**  
PO Box 592  
3484 Duluth Street  
Ranier, MN 56668  
218-286-5354  
www.livingstonintl.com

**Norman G. Jensen Inc**  
PO Box 227  
3579 Main Street  
Ranier, MN 56668  
218-286-3121  
www.ngjensen.com

