



As mayor, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the City of Minden's website. I invite you to explore this website and learn more about our community, its government, civic services, parks, recreational opportunities, our cultural history, and amenities.

Incorporated in 1876, Minden is located in south central Nebraska. Minden's economic base remains primarily agricultural, yet it is diversified with several manufacturing businesses. We are a charming, small community of just under 3,000 people, but we offer a larger community atmosphere. Numerous businesses line the four sides of the city square. The beautiful Kearney County Courthouse stands in the center of the town square. Its huge, white dome is a landmark visible for miles. A newly remodeled and expanded Kearney County hospital and medical clinic provide excellent healthcare locally. With two assisted living/long-term care facilities, Minden provides residential options for its seniors.

Minden is officially known as "Nebraska's Christmas City." The year 2015 marks the 100th year that Minden has illuminated the courthouse dome and the city square with its spectacular display of Christmas lights. Minden has also staged an annual Christmas pageant, titled "The Light of The World," since 1946.

Minden maintains a high quality of life featuring friendly people, strong neighborhoods, a safe atmosphere with low crime rates, excellent schools, numerous churches and beautiful parks. All of these provide an outstanding environment to live, work and play.

Other highlights of Minden include the beautiful, completely restored Minden Opera House on the north side of the city square. The opera house is home to the Minden Community Players and often hosts entertainers from across the country. Minden is also the home of the world-renowned Harold Warp Pioneer Village Museum. In the spring, Minden is located in the geographic center of the Sandhill Crane Flyway, at which time hundreds of thousands of cranes provide a spectacle that is recognized worldwide.

Thank you for visiting our website

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Mayor of Minden

