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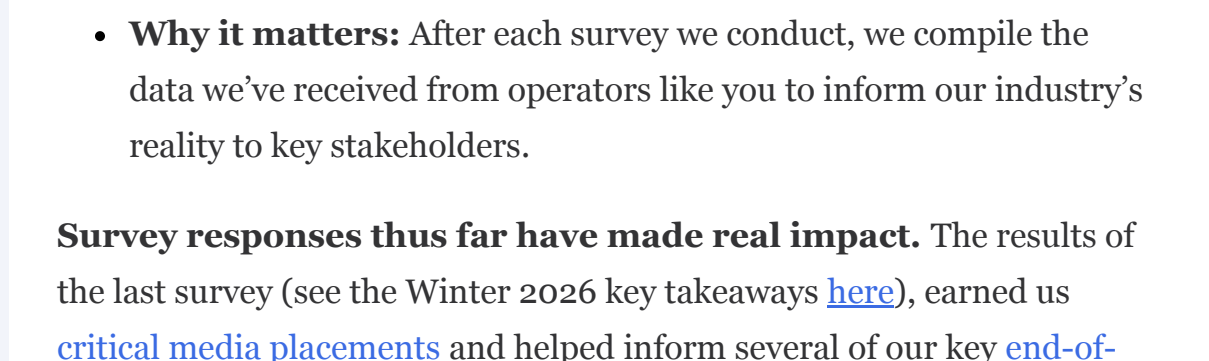
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## In today's May 18, 2026 Update:

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Is your organization interested in sponsorship? [Email us](#) to learn more.

## Input Needed: Spring 2026 Hospitality Conditions Survey



**Help inform our advocacy:** We are now accepting responses for our [Spring 2026 Hospitality Conditions Survey](#) in partnership with the Minneapolis Fed.

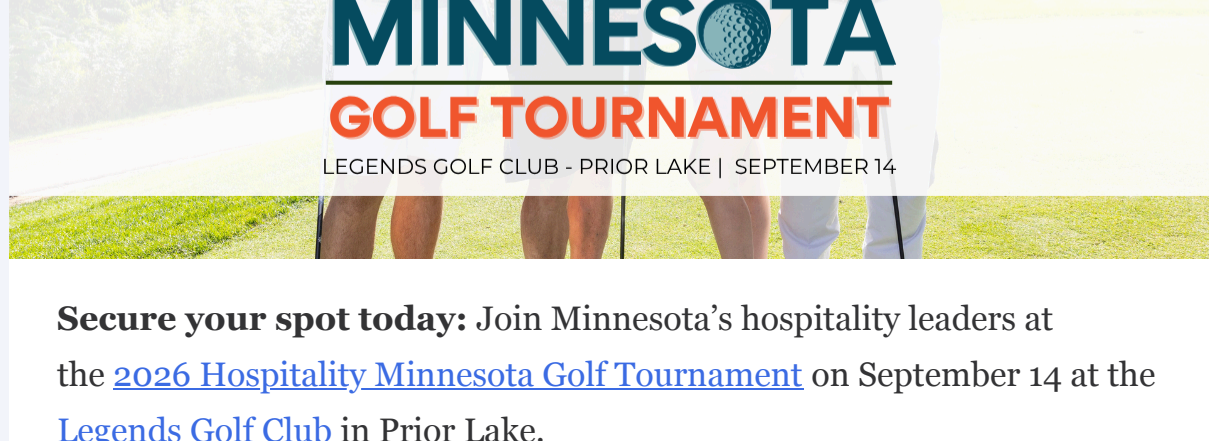
- **Why it matters:** After each survey we conduct, we compile the data we've received from operators like you to inform our industry's reality to key stakeholders.

**Survey responses thus far have made real impact.** The results of the last survey (see the Winter 2026 key takeaways [here](#)), earned us [critical media placements](#) and helped inform several of our key [end-of-session legislative priorities](#) to secure long-term solutions for the industry.

- **What to expect:** The survey takes on average 7 minutes to complete. The impact of each response makes this small time commitment worth it. Contribute your response [here](#).

[Take the Survey!](#)

## HM Golf Tournament Returns September 14, Now At Legends Golf Club



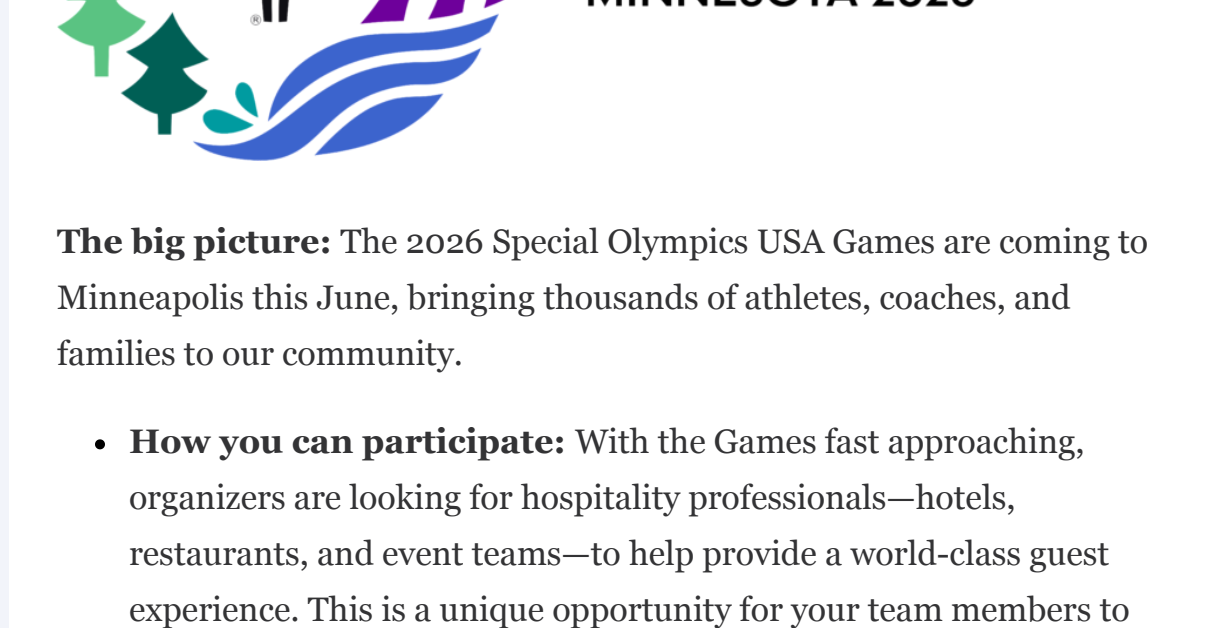
**Secure your spot today:** Join Minnesota's hospitality leaders at the [2026 Hospitality Minnesota Golf Tournament](#) on September 14 at the [Legends Golf Club](#) in Prior Lake.

- **Why it matters:** The [Hospitality Minnesota Golf Tournament](#) is all about connection, collaboration, and community. It's a chance to strengthen relationships, meet new peers, and enjoy a day of relaxed networking with fellow hospitality professionals in a beautiful outdoor setting.

**How to participate:** [Register your foursome](#) or individual slot early—spots fill quickly. Consider sponsoring a hole, beverage cart, or a Bloody Mary bar to showcase your company and engage with members of Minnesota's vibrant hospitality industry.

[Register Today!](#)

## Join the Team: Special Olympics USA Games 2026



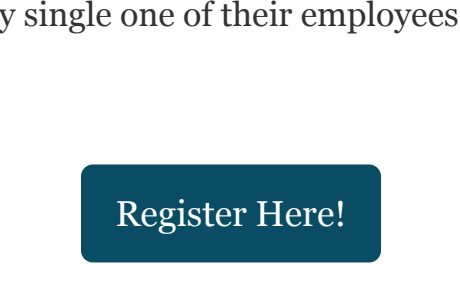
**The big picture:** The 2026 Special Olympics USA Games are coming to Minneapolis this June, bringing thousands of athletes, coaches, and families to our community.

- **How you can participate:** With the Games fast approaching, organizers are looking for hospitality professionals—hotels, restaurants, and event teams—to help provide a world-class guest experience. This is a unique opportunity for your team members to engage with a high-impact national event right here in Minnesota.

**Why it matters:** Volunteer roles are still available for those who want to support the mission and showcase Twin Cities hospitality. Whether your staff can spare a few hours or wants to take on a larger role, there is a place for them.

**Go deeper:** If you or your team members are interested in participating, please contact [Clayton with the Special Olympics](#) directly to learn about specific open roles and how to get involved—tell him Hospitality Minnesota sent you!

## June 9: USI Webinar on Managing Employee Leave

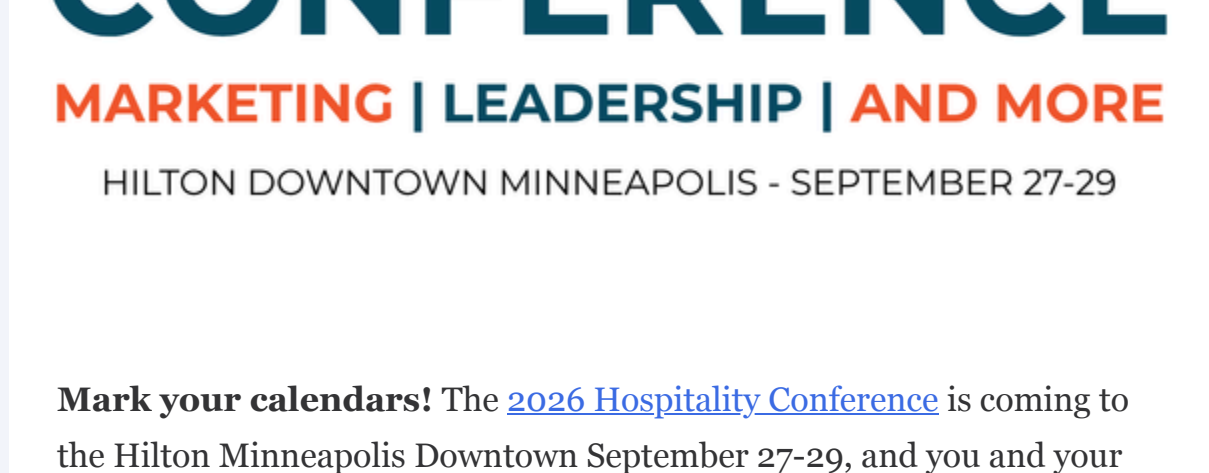


**June USI Employer Solution Webinar:** [Managing Employee Leaves - Legal and Practical Considerations](#)

- **Why it matters:** Every employer, regardless of size, industry, or profit/nonprofit status, has one thing in common, which is that at some point, every single one of their employees will be absent from work.

[Register Here!](#)

## 2026 Hospitality Conference Registration Coming Soon



**Mark your calendars!** The [2026 Hospitality Conference](#) is coming to the Hilton Minneapolis Downtown September 27-29, and you and your team cannot afford to miss this professional development opportunity.

- **The bottom line:** Registration will be opening up soon. Last year, attendees noted significant ROI by attending. This year, our team is hard at work to provide even greater innovation across hospitality marketing, leadership, and more. Learn more about this year's conference [here](#).

[Learn More!](#)

## ServSafe Classes Near You



**Did you know:** Minnesota law requires at least one certified food manager on staff at nearly every food establishment.

[Check this calendar](#) for all upcoming ServSafe classes!

- [Windom - May 20](#)
- [Minneapolis East - May 22](#)
- [Woodbury - May 26](#)
- [St. Cloud - May 28](#)

[Find A Class Near You!](#)

## In the News

- [Stewart Trail Fire near Two Harbors, Minnesota, now 62 percent contained](#) | MPR News
- [Wilford restaurant revealed, residents start moving in](#) | HometownSource.Com
- [Saturday Dumpling Co. Expands With Jujube](#) | Minnesota Monthly
- [Hopkins restaurant Thirty Bales ends 30-year run](#) | Bring Me The News
- [JOB OPENING: Fairfield Inn & Suites - Monticello Director of Sales \(Opening August\)](#) | Hospitality Minnesota
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## Oh yeah, and don't forget...

- **Enroll/opt out today:** [Minnesota Secure Choice Retirement Program](#) is a state-facilitated, employer-supported retirement program that bridges the retirement savings gap for hundreds of thousands of Minnesotans.

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