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### **Historic Anoka Brings the Holidays Home with Its Annual Tree Lighting Event**

**ANOKA, Minn.** – Bring your family, friends and holiday spirit to this fun and festive holiday event. On Saturday, Dec.4, 2021, join in on the countdown to light up the official city Christmas tree. It all takes place at Anoka City Hall River Plaza in historic downtown Anoka. Festivities take place from 3 p.m. until 7 p.m.

Enjoy complimentary horse-drawn trolley rides, merry holiday music, bonfires to keep you warm and toasty, beautiful holiday décor and more. Food vendors will be selling tasty treats.

Capture photographs as your children share their holiday wish list during their free visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus. Plus, Santa's sleigh and large wooden cutouts of nutcrackers and snowmen will be perfect backdrops for selfies and family photos. Merriment will abound to bring back memories of an old-fashioned Christmas.

Mayor Rice will welcome all at 5:55 p.m. and the countdown to the tree lighting will begin at 5:59 p.m. Festivities will conclude at 7 p.m.

Toys for Joy Anoka County will be accepting new, unwrapped holiday gifts for those in need, just look for their booth. They will also be giving away free candy-filled cups to children up to the age of 10, while supplies last.

Non-perishable food and monetary donations for ACBC Food Shelf will also be collected. Please consider making a donation to help those in need this holiday season.

Come early and take a walk along the Rum River, do some holiday shopping at some of the most unique shops in the Twin Cities, and have dinner at one of the many downtown restaurants.

Anoka City Hall River Plaza is located at 2015 First Avenue North in downtown Anoka, along the Rum River. For more information, visit [www.anokaminnesota.com](http://www.anokaminnesota.com) or call 763-421-7130 or 763-576-2700.

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