

# About Norwood Young America

The City of Norwood Young America is a growing community located on the fringe of the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area, approximately 30 miles southwest of Minneapolis in Western Carver County.

It was German immigrants who originally settled the villages of Young America and Norwood. These immigrants brought their traditions and customs to the rural landscape of what is now Carver County.

The community proudly celebrates its German heritage each year at Minnesota's oldest festival, **Stiftungsfest**. The first Stiftungsfest festival began in 1861 with the Pioneer Maennerchor (men's choir) of Young America and continues to be held the last full weekend in August each year.



**Stiftungsfest**

Young America was platted in 1856. Norwood was platted in 1872. The present city of Norwood Young America was formed on January 1, 1997 when the cities of Norwood and Young America merged.

The community has seen steady population growth over the past 10 years. The current estimated population is 3,626. The Met Council and State Demographer predict that this number will continue to grow in the years to come.

As the population of the region has grown, so has the variety of industries, services, and businesses located in the area. Norwood Young America is a prime location for new businesses and industries, because of its transportation network, which offers quick accessibility to the Interstate highway system in the metro area.

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**Expand to  
Norwood Young America!**

## Closer than you think!

- Norwood Young America is located just 30 minutes west of the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area at the nexus of US Highway 212 and MN TH 5. MnDOT Traffic Counts (2009) indicated 10,000 to 12,000 vehicles per day along State Highway 212 and 5,700 vehicles per day along Highway 5.
- The community is also proud to boast two active rail lines: the Twin Cities and Western Railroad, and the Prairie Line Railroad. Both offer connections to Class I railroads in the Minneapolis/St. Paul terminal area.
- Norwood Young America is 28 miles from Flying Cloud Airport in Eden Prairie and 42 miles from the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport (MSP)



*“Willkommen!”*  
Welcome to Norwood Young America



Norwood Young America has many wonderful amenities, including: several parks and trails surrounding three natural lakes, a community pool, a skate park, a new library, hockey rinks, tennis courts, ball fields, two town baseball teams and a recently established history center. Norwood Young America also offers a variety of educational choices including public, private and homeschooling.

# CITY OF Norwood Young America

## City Owned Industrial Park

The City of Norwood Young America has available industrial lots in the city-owned Tacoma West Industrial Park. Located 1/4 mile south of US Highway 212 on Tacoma Avenue, lots ranging in size from 2 to just over 10 acres are ready for development! The industrial park is suitable for a range of uses; including light manufacturers, construction related industries, bio-agricultural businesses, and warehousing/distribution facilities.



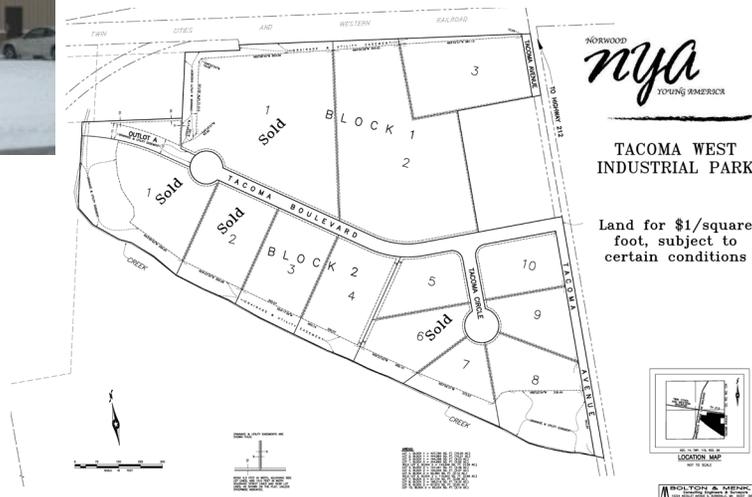
The Industrial Park has become home to three businesses since 2006; Vickerman Co., Yaeger Machine and Waconia Manufacturing.

## Lots are selling at \$1/sq ft to qualifying businesses.

The offer comes with a promise of no assessments for infrastructure or utility improvements, and no parkland dedication fees.

In addition to the price of land, there are a couple of features unique to the Tacoma West Industrial Park in comparison to other metro area industrial parks with available land:

- The new park is located adjacent to two railroad lines: **Twin Cities & Western and Prairie Line Railroads**
- The City allows outside storage in the park, if it is screened properly.
- The community offers affordable land and a highly skilled workforce, plus an attractive incentive package.



## EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

**Central Public Schools** is recognized through state assessments as the top school in Carver County and one of the best schools in the State of Minnesota. The school enrollment is approximately 970 to 980 students for K-12.

**Central High School** was placed on the College Board's 5th Annual Advanced Placement District Honor Roll for Significant Gains in Student Access and Success.

**Central Middle School** earned the distinction of being named a "Reward School" by the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) in 2014. This award is given to the schools in the top 15% of all schools in the state of Minnesota. This follows three consecutive years of being named "Celebration Eligible" by MDE.

**St. John's Lutheran School**, a Christian school, also serves Norwood Young America and the surrounding Carver county areas.

