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2004 BREEDING BIRD SURVEY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED...

Do you enjoy watching the birds? If so, the City of Burnsville needs you. We are looking for volunteers interested in helping us complete a breeding bird atlas for the city. A breeding bird atlas is a comprehensive list of birds that are breeding within the city limits. Creating an atlas now allows us to monitor future bird trends. All surveying is completed within designated sample units located in various parts of the city. As a volunteer, you will choose your own sample area and then conduct the survey at your leisure in the early morning or evening hours - weekdays or weekends - anytime between April and July. Volunteers can participate as much or as little as desired.

If you are interested in volunteering, a **training workshop is being held on Wednesday, March 31 from 7:00-8:00pm at Burnsville City Hall, 100 Civic Center Parkway.** At the workshop we will discuss breeding bird atlases and the sampling methods you will use. You will also receive all materials needed to conduct your survey. Anyone who is interested may attend. If you cannot attend and still wish to participate in the survey, please contact Leslie Yetka with the Burnsville Natural Resources Department at 952-895-4518, or e-mail at leslie.yetka@ci.burnsville.mn.us.

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