

Priorities for Commission Tours

- Hear directly from Minnesotans who have experienced poverty
- Prioritize experiences in the community over legislative-style hearings
- Visit rural settings as well as regional centers and towns
- Involve local legislators, elected officials and business leaders
- Keep the number of Commission members and staff small (approx. 12 or fewer) to enable personal interactions with the community. Tour group can split into smaller sections when needed.
- Contact local media to inform the community of the Commission's visit and work
- Ask Commission members to report back at the next meeting with information from the tour such as:
 - Who were the poor in the community visited?
 - What surprised Commission members most on the tour?
 - What do they wish others on the Commission would have seen?
 - What was most promising?
 - What were the common threads?