

2019



Grant and Initiative Recipients

Multi-Year Funding Designees

American Midwest Ballet

General Operating Funding
\$125,000

Boys and Girls Club of the Midlands

General Operating Funding for Council Bluffs Club
\$85,000

Durham Museum

General Operating Funding
\$25,000

FAMILY Inc.

General Operating Funding supporting early childhood education and literacy
\$120,000

Green Hills AEA

General Operating Funding for preschool
\$1,100,000

Heartland Family Service

General Operating Funding supporting Iowa Family Works, substance abuse services, and homeless services
\$330,000

Immigrant Legal Center

General Operating Funding supporting immigration legal services in southwest Iowa
\$65,000

Iowa Western Community College Foundation

General Operating Funding for the Performing Arts Center
\$30,000

Joslyn Art Museum

General Operating Funding supporting Joslyn's Kent Bellows Mentoring Program
\$25,000

Lauritzen Gardens

General Operating Funding
\$12,500

Railroad Days
\$25,000

Lutheran Family Services

General Operating Funding supporting child abuse prevention and sexual abuse treatment programming in Council Bluffs
\$50,000

Micah House

General Operating Funding supporting homeless families
\$90,000

Omaha Children's Museum

General Operating Funding supporting field trips, outreach visits and low-cost memberships for families in southwest Iowa
\$45,000

Omaha Symphony Association

General Operating Funding supporting Adventures in Music for southwest Iowa students
\$25,000

Opera Omaha

General Operating Funding
\$25,000

Pottawattamie Arts, Culture & Entertainment (PACE)

Harvester II Arts & Culture District
\$2,000,000

The Rose Theater

General Operating Funding for School Field Trip Program for southwest Iowa students
\$25,000

Cycle 1: 2019 Grants and Initiatives

City of Council Bluffs

Furthering Interconnections, Revitalization, Streetscapes, Transportation, and Aesthetics for a Vibrant Economy
\$500,000

Loessfest 2019; River's Edge Activation
\$250,000

Council Bluffs Soccer Club

Iowa West Sports Plex
\$768,809.50

Durham Museum

Exterior Restoration Initiative
\$50,000

Iowa Legal Aid

Community Stabilization Project
\$15,000

Iowa West Foundation Initiatives

Downtown Cultural Trail
\$50,000

Riverfront Revitalization
\$500,000

Manning Betterment Foundation

Playground Safe Surfacing Update
\$3,000

Neola Betterment Corporation

Senior Housing
\$200,000

New Visions Homeless Services

General Operating Funding
\$100,000

Omaha Bridges Out of Poverty

Council Bluffs Poverty Alleviation Initiative
\$100,000

Omaha Community Foundation

Pottawattamie Gives! Incentives
\$29,000

Omaha Development Foundation

Entrepreneurial Development for southwest Iowa
\$100,000

Pheasants Forever, Inc.

Strengthening Quality of Life and Rural Economies through Growing Outdoor Recreation Opportunities
\$44,759.60

Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors

2019 CITIES Program
\$93,765

Art on the Frontier Trails (ArtFITS)
\$20,000

SHARE Omaha

General Operating Funding for Pottawattamie County launch
\$50,000

The 712 Initiative

General Operating Funding/Placemaking Consortium
\$500,000

United Way of the Midlands

Community Care Fund
\$255,500

Fire Departments:

Carson Volunteer Fire Department
\$10,000

Hancock Volunteer Fire Department
\$10,000

Treynor Volunteer Fire Department
\$10,000

Underwood Volunteer Fire Department
\$8,650

The Iowa West Foundation receives its funding for grants from investment income and also from the Iowa West Racing Association. The association receives contracted fees from casino operators:

AMERISTAR
CASINO ★ HOTEL

Harrah's
COUNCIL BLUFFS

Cycle 2: 2019 Grants and Initiatives

Angels Among Us

Financial aid for families of children with cancer in Pottawattamie County
\$18,900

Centro Latino of Iowa

General Operating Funding
\$75,000

City of Carter Lake

Rental Inspection Program
\$14,500

City of Council Bluffs

River's Edge Parking Garage
\$300,000

West Broadway - Phase III
\$1,769,124

City of Tabor

Tabor Public Library
\$50,000

Completely Kids

Phoenix House family services
\$7,000

Council Bluffs Schools Foundation

STARS, an IWF initiative for low-income adult parents in pursuit of college degrees, licenses or certificates
\$345,000

Trade Works Academy
\$200,000

FAMILY, Inc.

Raise Me to Read
\$170,400

Golden Hills Resource Conservation and Development

Loess Hills Missouri River Region Cabin Initiative
\$350,000

Impact Hill

Operating funding for recreational, educational, social, cultural advancement at the historic Riverside High School building
\$15,000

Iowa West Foundation Initiatives

Council Bluffs Riverfront Revitalization
\$405,000

Iowa West Sports Plex
\$2,000,000

Pickleball Courts at the Iowa West Field House
\$600,000

Iowa Western Community College Foundation

Pottawattamie Promise
\$700,000

Metropolitan Area Planning Agency

Heartland 2050
Close the Gap 2019
\$27,500

One Iowa

Needs assessment of LGBTQIA community in Western Iowa
\$16,000

Pottawattamie County Community Foundation

Women's Fund of southwest Iowa, and matching funds
\$291,667

The 712 Initiative

The Good Neighbor program, formerly Neighborhood Network
\$25,000

YMCA of Greater Omaha

Capital funding for Charles E. Lakin YMCA in Council Bluffs
\$200,000

Fire Departments:

Minden Volunteer Fire Department
\$9,700

Cycle 3: 2019 Grants and Initiatives

Blair Family YMCA

Virtual fitness program
\$15,000

Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska

Improving secondary/middle school math proficiency in MOEC schools
\$50,000

City of Council Bluffs

All-America City signage
\$23,500

River's Edge parking garage
\$387,685

Convention and Tourism Bureau tourism activation
\$50,000

Council Bluffs Community School District

International Baccalaureate
\$435,600

BLink VI
\$100,000

Council Bluffs Goodfellows

Matching funds for 2019 Goodfellows campaign
\$25,000

Heartland Family Service

HEAT 2020 (Housing and Emergency Assistance Taskforce)
\$170,000

Lewis Central Children's Mental Health Program 2019 - 2020
\$160,000

Historic General Dodge House, Inc.

2020 operations
\$11,000

Iowa West Foundation Initiative

Downtown Arts/Culture Trail
\$125,000

Iowa West Sports Plex
\$1,500,000

Riverfront Revitalization
\$300,000

Make-A-Wish Foundation of Iowa, Inc.

Wish granting in Pottawattamie County
\$10,000

NeighborWorks Home Solutions

Financial and accounting capacity building
\$24,625

New Visions Homeless Services

Services for the homeless in Council Bluffs
\$115,000

Nishna Valley Family YMCA

Childcare and healthy lifestyle renovation
\$32,500

Omaha Conservatory of Music

Council Bluffs String Sprouts
\$33,000

Strategic Air Command & Aerospace Museum

Afterschool STEM enrichment
\$17,000

The 712 Initiative

Downtown Revitalization Fund
\$1,000,000

YMCA of Greater Omaha

YMCA Health Living Center program support in Council Bluffs
\$60,000

Fire Departments:

Avoca Volunteer Fire Department
\$10,000

Crescent Volunteer Fire Department
\$10,000

Cycle 2: 2019 Flood Relief

American Red Cross - Central Iowa Chapter

Fremont County
\$15,000

American Red Cross - Nebraska/Southwest Iowa Chapter

Harrison and Pottawattamie Counties
\$5,000

Food Bank for the Heartland

Fremont, Harrison, Mills and Pottawattamie Counties
\$50,000

Iowa Legal Aid

Southwest Iowa services
\$25,000

Mills County Public Health

Shelters in Mills County
\$15,000

Salvation Army

Flood Relief in southwest Iowa
\$15,000

Omaha Community Foundation

Fremont County Community Foundation
\$25,000

Harrison County Community Foundation
\$25,000

Mills County Community Foundation
\$25,000