

## FY24 RURAL ENRICHMENT GRANTS

Total Number of Eligible Applications: 50  
 Total Amount Requested: \$869,019

Number of Applications Funded: 11  
 Application Funding Amount: \$194,366



Recipient	Community	Pop.	Rural Enrichment Grant Projects	Funding Amount	Total Project Cost
The Bakery on Broadway	City of Audubon	2,053	This project will create a mural in downtown Audubon illustrating its cultural identity and uniqueness in order to improve the quality of life of residents through public art displays and increase Audubon's art centered tourism. This will also revitalize and improve a historic and highly visible part of downtown that has been damaged by a fire.	\$12,000	\$21,650
Davis County Trails Council	City of Bloomfield	2,682	The Davis County Trails Council is constructing Phase 4A, two miles of shared road access with required signage and ¾ mile of new Portland Cement Concrete trail. This project encourages alternative modes of transportation and exercise. It provides a safe route for residents to use within City limits. Completion of this project will provide a new recreational trail and increase the accessibility of community amenities for residents of all ages, economic statuses, and mobility capabilities.	\$20,000	\$757,000
Centerville Chamber of Commerce dba PACT	City of Centerville	5,412	The Pocket Park project will replace a gravel, broken glass, sand, and weed lot with a landscaped green space with outdoor hanging lights, seating, and a small stage. It is located immediately adjacent to the nearly completed PACT Office Building. That renovation will include an external door from the PACT kitchen, onto the Pocket Park thereby allowing catered events in the park. They will create a vibrant community space from what is now a nuisance property.	\$20,000	\$33,116
City of Delhi	City of Delhi	420	The City of Delhi is seeking funding to update the current above ground metal merry go round park equipment with a safer and inclusive spinner with seats, harness options, and a lower fall height.	\$6,366	\$9,549

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Maquoketa Valley Alliance	City of Delhi	420	Delhi values the health of its community by providing ways to be active. This is why the Maquoketa Valley Alliance, in conjunction with the Delhi Keep Iowa Beautiful (KIB) Hometown Pride (HP) committee, will facilitate the construction of two pickleball courts at nearby Silver Lake Park. The pickleball courts will replace the existing volleyball court at the park.	\$20,000	\$92,967
City of Logan	City of Logan	1,397	Initial phase of implementation for Logan's first-ever city-wide trail system. Intends to address the most significant community concern regarding pedestrian movement in Logan, which is the lack of connectivity between the majority of Logan residents and Lo-Ma CSD, which serves PK-12 students and is located on the northern edge of town. Final design and construction includes establishing an 8' wide concrete trail while also providing a safe at-grade crosswalk on heavily-trafficked State Hwy 127.	\$20,000	\$550,000
City of Manning	City of Manning	1,455	Manning's City Park has served as a community hub for over a century. With safety concerns, obsolete equipment with no access to replacement parts, and equipment nearing the end of its useful life, it is now time to Refresh the Park. With an emphasis on accessibility for everyone, local volunteers created a visionary plan that includes a new large play unit to replace the current equipment, rubber tile safety surfacing and an experience community members of all abilities can enjoy.	\$20,000	\$466,227

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Fine Arts and Cultural Events of Mahaska County	City of Oskaloosa	11,558	This project will expand the Oskaloosa Art Center into vacant ground level space of a building it has occupied for six years. Basic services (water, power, HVAC) must be restored and new finishes installed. The expansion will allow more and better quality experiences, events and programs in a space that is both historic and modern. Local artists and other cultural organizations will have a place to collaborate and support one another. Creating a more accessible entrance will be welcoming to all.	\$20,000	\$65,764
Mahaska County Conservation Board	City of Oskaloosa	11,558	The Caldwell Park Environmental Learning Center would like to create an outdoor adventure area that is all-inclusive for young children and adults of all ages. This Nature Playscape will include climbing and water features, ADA-compliant walkways, picnic and shade areas, and texture trails. This Nature Playscape will provide a safe area for children and adults to learn, explore and partake in outdoor activities while fostering an appreciation for conservation and the world around them.	\$20,000	\$298,700
Pocahontas County Economic Development	City of Pocahontas	1,867	The Pocahontas County Leadership class of 2023 (Inspire PoCo) came up with the idea to have a unique, life-size kaleidoscope in each of the nine communities in Pocahontas County. The group chose kaleidoscopes because of The Kaleidoscope Factory, located in Pocahontas. They believe installing these large kaleidoscopes will give people of all ages a great reason to better explore the rural county.	\$16,000	\$24,500
City of Rock Valley	City of Rock Valley	4,059	Funding will support professional services for construction documents on the renovation of Rock Valley's City Park from the draft master plan to final plan set. The park improvements will include a shelter house, adaptative play equipment, a stage for community events, and public art.	\$20,000	\$94,000

## FY24 RURAL INNOVATION GRANTS



Total Number of Eligible Applications: 15  
 Total Amount Requested: \$646,500

Number of Applications Funded: 2  
 Application Funding Amount: \$100,000

Recipient	Community	Pop.	Rural Innovation Grant Projects	Funding Amount	Total Project Cost
Pathfinders Resource Conservation & Development	Wapello County	n/a	To increase the vibrancy, diversity, and inclusivity of Wapello County communities, this cross-sector coalition will leverage the grant investment to launch the first Youth-led Rural Community Pre-Apprenticeship in the nation. Youth (ages 14-26) will be trained and paid to design a youth engagement and retention strategy and implement data-driven social change initiatives in response to challenges persisting in our rural communities.	\$50,000	\$122,500
Carroll County Growth Partnership	Carroll County	n/a	HUB 712 is a scalable hub and spoke model of physical and virtual resources envisioned to be shared throughout Western Iowa in support of entrepreneurship-led economic development. Funds will be used to build out the Carroll hub facility; provided to partnering EDOs to virtually connect hub and spoke facilities; and to build a marketing campaign for the initiative. HUB 712 collaborative model will reignite startup activity to pre-pandemic levels and create new local businesses, wealth and jobs.	\$50,000	\$113,250

## FY24 RURAL SCALE-UP GRANTS

Total Number of Applications: 13  
 Total Amount Requested: \$237,700

Number of Applications Funded: 3  
 Application Funding Amount: \$60,000



Recipient	Community	Pop.	Rural Scale-Up Grant Projects	Funding Amount	Total Project Cost
Mat Rats Wrestling Club	City of Odebolt	994	Mat Rats Wrestling Club will renovate a derelict building on Main Street in Odebolt into a year-round, non-profit wrestling facility that will serve youth of all ages from small rural communities in northwest Iowa.	\$20,000	\$122,947
Decorah Area Chamber of Commerce	City of Decorah	7,587	Decorah will initiate a parklet project that builds on existing parking space concepts in Iowa to better address design aesthetic, safety, and accessibility. The project installs 2 professionally-designed, modular parklet structures, creates policy, and incorporates public space amenities into economic development work. The project pairs safe, city-owned structures with small businesses committed to excellence and increases the outdoor gathering infrastructure in an award-winning downtown district.	\$20,000	\$45,000
Jackson County Agricultural District	Jackson County	n/a	Together We Build (project fundraising committee name), is a collaborative effort of the Jackson County (JCo) Extension Council, JCo Fair Association, JCo Board of Supervisors and other community members to build a new Outreach Center and community certified kitchen on the JCo Fairgrounds in Maquoketa. The Center will house the JCo/ISU Extension Offices, a community certified kitchen, and an educational/conference space.	\$20,000	\$107,716

## FY24 RURAL HOUSING ASSESSMENT GRANTS

Total Number of Applications: 7

Number of Applications Funded: 7  
Application Funding Amount: \$70,000



Community	Pop.	Funding Amount
City of Carroll	10,321	\$10,000
City of Chariton	4193	\$10,000
City of Cresco	3,888	\$10,000
City of Gilmore City	487	\$10,000
City of Independence	6,064	\$10,000
City of Keosauqua	936	\$10,000
City of Laurens	1,264	\$10,000

## FY24 RURAL CHILD CARE PLANNING GRANTS

Total Number of Eligible Applications: 3

Number of Applications Funded: 3

Application Funding Amount: \$30,000



Recipient	Community	Pop.	Funding Amount
City of Cascade	City of Cascade	2,386	\$10,000
Decatur County Hospital	Decatur County	n/a	\$10,000
Jackson County Economic Alliance	Jackson County	n/a	\$10,000

## FY24 RURAL LEADERSHIP BOOTCAMP GRANTS

Total Number of Applications: 4

Application Funding Amount: \$3,000\*



Recipient	Community	Pop.	Funding Amount
Boone County Chamber	Boone County	n/a	\$1,000
Buchanan County Economic Development Commission	Buchanan County	n/a	\$1,000
Chamber & Development Council of Crawford County	Crawford County	n/a	\$1,000
Story County*	Story County	n/a	\$1,000

\*Funded by Leadership Iowa.



**FY24 BOOST GRANTS**

Total Number of Eligible Applications: 2

Number of Applications Funded: 2  
Application Funding Amount: \$20,000



Recipient	Community	Pop.	Funding Amount
Baxter Economic Development Corp.	City of Baxter	962	\$10,000
City of Cambridge	City of Cambridge	827	\$10,000