



The *CF Snapshot* is a monthly e-newsletter for Iowa Community Foundations and Affiliates. If you have information you would like included, please [email us!](#)

Upcoming Trainings & Events

REGISTRATION CLOSES TODAY!

Annual Connect Community Foundations Conference

Thursday, September 15 | 9 am - 4:30 pm

Hilton Garden Inn | Johnston, Iowa

Join us to learn from state and national experts about trends in philanthropy and best practices for community foundations! This conference is designed to provide a framework for thinking about how local community foundations can create positive change in their region and give volunteers and staff an opportunity to learn from one another. This is a FREE opportunity sponsored through the Iowa Community Foundations Initiative and the Iowa Economic Development Authority.

Again this year, community foundations that send at least two representatives to Connect will be eligible for mileage reimbursement (up to \$100 per CF).

Attendees are also eligible to apply for Idea Implementation grant funding (up to \$2,500 per CF). Register today!

[Learn More and Register](#)

REGISTRATION CLOSES TODAY!

Connect Community Foundations Pre-Conference

Wednesday, September 14 | 2 pm - 3:30 pm

Hilton Garden Inn | Johnston, Iowa

Join Dawn Brown, President & CEO of the Community Foundation of Grant County, Indiana, as she shares when the marriage of a logical left-brain method was merged with some creative right-brain moxie, their donations doubled in the first year. Since then, she's streamlined the system and tracked remarkable increases in donors and donations each year since the Small Nonprofit Stewardship Blueprint was born. She's taught this strategy hundreds of times throughout the years and would love to teach you, too. Let her use her years of experience to help you further your community foundation's mission by engaging the right donors with the perfect message at the right time.

[Learn More and Register](#)

REGISTRATION CLOSSES TODAY!

Foundant User Group

Wednesday, September 14 | 10:30 am - 1:30 pm

Hilton Garden Inn | Johnston, Iowa

ICoF is again partnering with Foundant to offer this training for Foundant GLM and SLM users in our network. This session will provide you with information on using the system and allow you to ask questions of the Foundant trainer.

[Learn More and Register](#)

CF Boot Camp

Presented by Indiana Philanthropy Alliance

Begins November 2 | Cost: \$100*

The Community Foundation Boot Camp is a virtual training program designed to provide participants with an overview of the structure and operations of a community foundation. CFs are unique and complex organizations and IPA has designed this training to be an intensive dive into all functions of a

community foundation. The program is offered in six sessions scheduled over three days and it is recommended that you plan to join each session live:

- Wednesday, November 2 | 9:30 am - Noon
- Wednesday, November 2 | 1:00 - 3:00 pm
- Thursday, November 3 | 9:30 - 11:30 am
- Thursday, November 3 | 1:00 - 3:00 pm
- Friday, November 4 | 9:30 - 11:30 am

- Friday, November 4 | 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Registration for Iowa community foundations is open now through 5 pm on October 15. You will be given the option to pay online or "Invoice Me." Further instructions are on the invoice screen for payment, and an invoice will be emailed to you if you click "Invoice Me."

*Registration costs for Iowa community foundations are being subsidized through the Iowa Community Foundations Initiative.

[Learn More and Register](#)

2022 Annual National Conference for Growing Community Foundations

October 12-14 | \$ | Wichita, KS

The Conference is tailored but not limited to small-staffed and volunteer-led community foundations in rural, small urban, and suburban America. It is designed to meet the needs of both new and seasoned board members and staff in practical training to enhance skills in all major areas of community foundation management. It offers deep practical learning, concrete ideas to walk away with, valuable connections, and know-how from those who do the community foundation work day-to-day.

[Learn More and Register](#)

2022 Iowa Youth Philanthropy Conference

After a two-year hiatus due to the pandemic, the Iowa Youth Philanthropy Conference returned this year. We were pleased to host the Conference again

this year at Marshalltown Community College. Youth philanthropy students -- and advisors -- from six different Iowa counties participated in the free, one-day event. [Read the full news article from the Marshalltown Times-Republican.](#)



Peer Pointers

This section of the CF Snapshot features short descriptions of positive work happening at community foundations and affiliates across Iowa. If you'd like more information about these topics, please [contact Jenna](#).

The [Community Foundation of Greater Muscatine](#) was among the presenters at ICoF's summer quarterly membership meeting in July. Executive Director Charla Schafer shared about one of their county's biggest opportunities -- housing. They have joined forces with local government and other organizations to form the Muscatine County Housing Council to accelerate solutions so that all people who work and live in Muscatine County have access to diverse, achievable, quality local housing.

Community Foundations in the News

[Greater Cedar Rapids Community Foundation](#) president and CEO Les Garner to retire

[Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines](#) launching nonprofit leadership development program

[Community Foundation of Greater Muscatine](#) unveils new brand & website

Articles & Items of Interest

The 3rd Annual Rural Leadership Exchange is Oct. 20

The event is designed for existing rural leadership program directors and managers to share best practices for expanding, renewing, and improving existing programs. Communities or organizations that are interested in starting their own programs are welcome. The event in Carroll will feature strategies for elevating local leadership, roundtable discussions on alumni engagement and measures of success, and will be capped off with an evening event spotlighting stories of leadership from across the state. [Learn more.](#)

Rural Classroom Teachers eligible for up to \$2,500 grants

Rural Schools Collaborative is now accepting applications for the 2022-23 Cecil B. Godsil Grants in Place Fellows Program. Rural teachers in Iowa may apply for support of place-based learning. Due Oct. 14. [Learn more.](#)

Master Builders of Iowa's MBI-WORKS Endowment accepting requests

The MBI-WORKS Endowment is a funding stream/grant opportunity for nonprofits and educational institutions with a commitment to increasing the number of people entering the commercial construction workforce. Up to \$30K awarded per application. Due Sept. 16. [Learn more.](#)

Career Center Postings

Donor Relations Associate

Greater Cedar Rapids Community Foundation
Full-time | Cedar Rapids, IA

Vice President of Affiliate Relations

Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines
Full-time | Des Moines, IA

Research & Project Coordinator

Build A Better Grinnell 2030 Community Visioning Project / Greater Poweshiek
Community Foundation
Part-time/Temporary | Grinnell, IA

To view all career postings for positions in philanthropy throughout the state,
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Washington Snapshot

The latest Washington Snapshot from Council on Foundations is
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