



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!](#)

Legislative Breakfast



Community foundation colleagues from around the state gathered at the State Capitol on February 21 to talk with legislators about the important work of Iowa community foundations. Thanks to all who attended! As you continue to meet with legislators throughout the year, please use these resources:

- [Community Foundations Fact Sheet](#)
 - [County Endowment Fund Fact Sheet](#)
 - [Endow Iowa Fact Sheet](#)
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Legislative Report Released

Annually, in partnership with Iowa Economic Development Authority, ICoF produces a [Legislative Report](#) which is distributed to the Legislature and the Governor's Office. This report provides an overview of the work ICoF leads to support the Iowa Community Foundations Initiative and highlights the impacts of the Endow Iowa tax credit and County Endowment Fund programs. We are sharing it with you as a resource. If you have questions, please [contact us](#).

Disaster Recovery Fund Match Grants Available

Through participation in The Funders' Network's Philanthropic Preparedness, Resiliency, and Emergency Partnership (PPREP) cohort, the Iowa Council of Foundations has received funding to re-grant throughout the state. Our goal is to leverage this funding to support several community foundations by positioning them with seed money for their disaster recovery funds and to support future community needs. Learn more about the Community Foundation Disaster Recovery Fund Matching Grant Program [here](#).

Upcoming Trainings & Events

Connect Conference: Iowa Transfer of Wealth Study
Friday, March 22 | 10 - 11 am | Zoom

Join us for the first Connect Conference Series session of 2024! We will be introduced to Iowa's latest Transfer of Wealth data as well as learn how your foundation may use this data.

We hope you will join us and consider how some of these ideas could be implemented in your community/county!

[Register for the Webinar](#)



CONNECT 2024 COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 26 • 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM
Hilton Garden Inn, 8600 Northpark Dr, Johnston, IA 50131

Join us for a pre-conference session on September 25, followed by networking and a group dine-around!

Registration and additional information will be available in JULY at:
www.iowacounciloffoundations.org

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Colleague Inquiry

A colleague submitted the following inquiry:

We are updating our employee handbook. **Have you updated your handbook with an equity lens, and/or even with consideration of trust-based philanthropy?**

Please send your responses to [Jenna](#) by Monday, March 11.

Federal Public Policy Update

DAF Regulations Comment Submissions

In November, Treasury released the first in what is expected to be a series of long-awaited regulations interpreting the statute that codifies Donor-Advised Funds (DAFs). The ICoF shared information about the proposed regulations with members and encouraged comment submission. In addition, and on behalf of the network, the ICoF signed on to two comment submissions submitted by the [Council on Foundations](#) and [United Philanthropy Forum](#). We will continue to keep you updated as soon as we hear more from Treasury.

Community Foundations in the News

[Community Foundation of Carrol County](#) distributes more than \$200k

[Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines](#) funds plan that outlines community-wide effort for tackling food insecurity in Central Iowa

[Pella Community Foundation](#) welcomes farmland gift

Articles & Items of Interest

Article: What One Nonprofit Learned from Getting Hacked -- and How Other Groups Can Protect Themselves

"Cybersecurity experts say nonprofits are just as vulnerable to attacks as for-profit companies and government institutions, particularly because many nonprofits don't dedicate resources to cybersecurity. But it doesn't have to be that way, as the cost and time involved in protecting against cyberattacks — such as malware, phishing, and denial-of-service attacks — are relatively low, especially when compared to the price of recovering from them." [Read more.](#)

Participatory Philanthropy Toolkit from the Fund for Shared Insight

When high-quality listening opens up opportunities for more participatory practices, you can be ready. Find here discussion guides about launching a

participatory grantmaking process, concrete tools to help you design and implement your grantmaking program, and reflections on how power shifts can happen in your philanthropy and more broadly. [Learn more.](#)

Digital Infrastructure Grants

Bloomberg Philanthropies' Digital Accelerator Program seeks to strengthen nonprofit cultural organizations in the US and UK through strategic investments in their digital infrastructure. Due March 13. [Learn more.](#)

Career Center Postings

To view all career postings for positions in philanthropy throughout the state, please visit the [Career Center](#).

Washington Snapshot

The latest Washington Snapshot from Council on Foundations is available [here](#).



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