



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!](#)

Registration Open: Connect Conference

Annual Connect Community Foundations Conference

Thursday, September 26 | 9 am - 4:30 pm
Hilton Garden Inn | Johnston, Iowa

Join us to learn 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, CFs 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 Here](#)

Pre-Conference: A Brisk Walk through the Basics of Planned Giving

Wednesday, September 25 | 9 am - 3:30 pm
Hilton Garden Inn | Johnston, Iowa

A Brisk Walk Through the Basics of Planned Giving © is an enriching, one-day seminar that leads participants through the nuts and bolts of planned gift instruments. If you are new to planned giving, need a refresher, or are a development generalist, this seminar was made for you. Get an excellent overview of gift planning and the tools you need to make the most of it. Participants will:

- Gain a clear understanding of basic planned giving methods
- Understand the tax implications for planned giving
- Learn about the different gift vehicles available and when each is best

[Register Here](#)



5 for the Future Philanthropic Initiative

The Iowa Council of Foundations is excited to launch '5 For the Future' **on Monday, July 8**. This coordinated philanthropic initiative centers on the findings in the [updated Iowa transfer of wealth report](#) and builds on the success of the County Endowment Fund Program and Endow Iowa.

This new messaging has been designed to inspire donors to pledge 5% of their personal assets to provide ongoing resources for community causes. Please join us in sharing by distributing [this press release](#) to local media.

Why now? *Nearly \$30.4 billion will transfer from one generation to the next by 2030, according to our recent report.* Long-held family assets—from agricultural land to stock dividends—are being passed to the next generation, many of whom live elsewhere.

Growing public philanthropic awareness

'5 For the Future' represents a clear and coordinated effort to retain and reinvest a fraction of Iowa's wealth transfer. We will use 5forthefutureofiowa.com and 5forthefutureofiowa.org to direct people to this [landing page](#). Iowa Community Foundations can use these domains, along with several customizable tools to support their local endowment-building and fund development efforts. Some examples of tools, include:

- [Customizable donor-focused 1-pager template](#)
- [Donor conversation guide/worksheet](#)

These resources, along with the '5 for the Future' logo and a PowerPoint template are [here](#). From July-December, we will also have 5 for the Future social media Fridays, so please share our posts to help spread the message!

Summer Storms

Again this month we find many Iowans navigating disaster response and recovery. We continue to connect with impacted communities and can share that the following funds have recently been opened/activated:

- [Buena Vista County Community Foundation](#)
- [Cherokee County Legacy Foundation](#)
- [Clay County Community Foundation](#)
- [Humboldt County Community Foundation](#)
- [Okoboji Foundation - Dickinson County](#)
- [Community Foundation of Osceola County](#)
- [Community Foundation of Greater Plymouth County](#)
- [Pocahontas County Foundation](#)
- [Story County Community Foundation](#)
- [Warren County Philanthropic Partnership](#)

- [Wright County Charitable Foundation](#)

We will continue to share updates on our social media pages about fund openings and opportunities to support response and recovery efforts.

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. In June, we awarded match grants to:

- Clay County Community Foundation
- Siouxland Community Foundation

Learn more about the Community Foundation Disaster Recovery Fund Matching Grant Program [here](#).

Upcoming ICoF Events

Iowa Grant Coordinator Launch Call

Monday, July 8 | 10 AM

The ICoF received grant funding from The Funders' Network through the Philanthropic Preparedness, Resiliency, and Emergency Partnership (PPREP) cohort to hire an Iowa Grant Coordinator. After promoting the position, we're pleased to introduce you to Mollie Giller, Principal of Giller Consulting Group. Some of you may already know Mollie, as she was recently an active member of the ICoF network through her previous role with the Polk County Housing Trust Fund. You can learn more about Mollie [here](#).

Mollie begins her contract today. Her scope of work will evolve, but her primary goal will be coordinating statewide, regional and/or national opportunities to secure funding for the state of Iowa. She will also support partners in aligning grant opportunities with specific priorities related to disaster preparedness,

health, climate resilience, and environmental justice. [The position description](#) shares additional details about our goals for the work.

Join us for this kick-off call to meet Mollie and to explore opportunities for collaboration and shared learning through her work.

[Register Here](#)

2024 Iowa Youth Philanthropy Conference

Thursday, August 3 | 9:30 am - 3:30 pm

Iowa Valley Community College, 3700 S Center St, Marshalltown, IA 50158

Do you have a youth philanthropy group in your community? Encourage them to attend the 2024 Iowa Youth Philanthropy Conference!

[Learn More and Register](#)

Public Policy Update

New Iowa RIFT law protects charities. [HF 2366](#) provides precedence for Iowa charities that are beneficiaries of a non-probate transfer at death for release of funds in a timely manner. [Learn more here.](#)

Community Foundations in the News

[Community Foundation for Western Iowa](#) awards \$65k in impact grants

[Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque](#) receives \$400k grant

[Community Foundation of Johnson County](#) opens \$125k grant cycle in August

[Greater Cedar Rapids Community Foundation](#) celebrates 75 years of impact

Articles & Items of Interest

Empower Rural Iowa grant opportunities are now open and [due August 30:](#)

- Rural BOOST
- Child Care Planning Grant
- Rural Housing Assessment Grant

[Learn more here](#) or contact [Robin Boston at IEDA](#).

Career Center Postings

Director of Scholarship Impact

Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa

Full-time | Cedar Valley, IA

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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