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CF SNAPSHOT

The CF Snapshot is a monthly e-newsletter for Iowa Community Foundations and Affiliates. If you have information you would like included, please [email Michele Walstrom](#), ICoF Community Foundations Services Coordinator.

Upcoming Events

Connect Community Foundations Conference--REGISTER TODAY!

September 14 | 9 am - 4:30 pm
DMACC Conference Center, Newton

Registration closes soon as the Connect Conference is only **10 DAYS AWAY!** We hope you will join us for this free opportunity for Iowa Community Foundation staff, volunteers and advisory committee members. You don't want to miss this exciting day!

[Learn More & Register Today](#)

November Peer-Learning Call:

November 15 | 10 am
ICoF Conference Call Line

The next Peer Learning Call will provide an opportunity for people that have attended regional or national conferences this year to share back information with their Iowa CF colleagues. Please let us know if you have attended a conference and would like to share some of what you learned.

[Sign Up to Share Back](#)

New Iowa Council of Foundations Website

The Iowa Council of Foundations recently unveiled our new website! The new site has a variety of features specifically for Iowa Community Foundations:

accessible in one place.

- It is now easier to login to the system using the following prompts:
 - Username: your email address
 - Password: ICoF2017 (*can be reset once you have logged in)If you did not have an account on our old site, contact us and we will get one setup for you on the new site
- Our events calendar will make it easier to find and register for events, in one place.

The Iowa Community Foundations section of the website now includes:

- Endow Iowa and County Endowment Fund information/resources;
- An archive of the CF Snapshot e-newsletter;
- The CF Stories Blog where your peers share best practices; and
- Details about upcoming grant opportunities for Iowa CFs.

To learn more about all of these enhancements, please take five minutes to watch this helpful [video](#) showing you how to navigate the new site.

Fall Capacity Building Grants Cycle

The Capacity Building Grants Program supports opportunities for qualified community foundations and their affiliates to engage in activities that increase their ability for sustainable endowment growth/building. Capacity building grants provide community foundations with support to implement projects or programs necessary to enhance their organizational capacity and address important issues of fund development and effectiveness.

The first step in applying is to submit a Capacity Building Program Pre-Application Form (online) by October 6. The link for this Pre-Application and additional information can be accessed [here](#).

CF Stories Blog

This month, ICoF President Kari McCann Boutell shares three reasons why you should attend the Connect Community Foundations Conference.

Learning Opportunities

Annual National Conference for Growing Community Foundations

October 1-3, 2017 | [Register here!](#)

Wichita, KS

This Conference is tailored but not limited to small-staffed and volunteer-led community foundations in rural, small urban, and suburban America. All board members and other volunteers, executive directors and other staff of community foundations are welcome to attend. Kari McCann Boutell, ICoF President will be attending the conference. If you are interested in ride-sharing, please [contact Kari](#).

Tri-State Community Foundation Partnership Webinar Series

Monthly, Various dates and times

This monthly webinar series focuses on a variety of topics that are of interest to the community foundation sector. To view the monthly offerings and/or to register for an upcoming webinar, [click here](#).

Community Foundations in the News

[Benton County Community Foundation, an Affiliate of the Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa, Awards \\$112,775 in Grants](#)

[The Greater Cedar Rapids Community Foundation to Match Donations to K-12 Classroom Projects in Linn County Public Schools](#)

[New Pottawattamie County Community Foundation Endowment Fund established to Support Local Veterans](#)

Articles & Items of Interest

Update on the Endow Iowa Program

The most recent update provided by IEDA shows that there are \$4,934,174.62 available in remaining 2018 tax credits.

Hurricane Harvey and the devastation caused by flooding in Texas and along the Gulf coastline, check out the Center for Disaster Philanthropy. A link to their website is available [here](#).

GEO Hosts Blog Series

A new series by Grantmakers for Effective Organizations (GEO) will feature blogs from leaders in the field of philanthropy on timely topics. The most recent blog is posted now and you can [access it here](#).

Washington Snapshot

The most recent issue of the Council of Foundations' *Washington Snapshot* can be accessed [here](#).

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