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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.

Iowa Flooding Response Update

Several funds have opened to help support flood relief and recovery efforts in counties and communities across Iowa. A quick list of those funds and additional resources is available below. We will continue to share information on our social media pages, as more information becomes available. We also encourage you to monitor the [Omaha Community Foundation's Blog](#), where their community investment team is tracking flood relief and response efforts.

- The Fremont County Community Foundation established the [Fremont County Flood Fund](#) to meet local needs.
- The Mills County Community Foundation established the [Mills County Flood Fund](#) to meet local needs.
- The Harrison County Community Foundation established the [Harrison County Flood Fund](#) to meet local needs.
- [United Way of the Midlands](#) – 100% of every donation to the Nebraska/Iowa Flood Relief Fund will be directed to nonprofit programs meeting needs for emergency shelter, food and more. Donors will have the opportunity to direct their gift to a specific community within Nebraska or Iowa if they so wish.
- Together a Greater Good – [Flood Resource Page](#)
- Share Omaha – [Flood Resource Page](#)

federal relief and assistance. Senator Grassley's office has provided a [comprehensive list of resources here](#).

Additionally the Center for Disaster Philanthropy has offered some of their tools as you consider your response:

- The new [CDP Midwest Floods Recovery Fund](#) will drive funding to unmet needs in the region, likely focusing on supporting vulnerable populations, especially the elderly whose lives and livelihoods have been devastated; filling in gaps where public resources are unavailable or scarce; and, fostering collaborative relationships among donors – including the sharing of information with funders and on-the-ground nonprofit organizations. Please consider supporting this fund.
- Our [Flood Issue Insight](#) unpacks how floods wreak havoc time and again. It also looks at what funders can do to mitigate and respond to floods.
- Our [U.S. Spring Floods](#) disaster profile is regularly updated and designed to give philanthropy a forward view of the disaster, its facts and stats, and how to help.

If you are aware of other flood relief efforts in your county or community, or would like to find ways to support relief/recovery efforts, please [contact Kari](#).

Upcoming Trainings & Events



2019 CONNECT COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 17 • 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM
Hilton Garden Inn, 8600 Northpark Dr, Johnston, IA 50131

Join us to learn from regional and national experts about trends in philanthropy and best practices for community foundations!

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

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Community Foundations Boot Camp

May 22-23 | \$250 per participant

ISU Extension of Polk County | Altoona, IA

The Iowa Council of Foundations, through the Iowa Community Foundations Initiative and in partnership with the Indiana Philanthropy Alliance, is pleased to offer the Community Foundation Boot Camp. The two-day training program offers a comprehensive overview of the structure and operations of a community foundation. Topics covered include:

- Community Foundation Overview
- Governance
- Fund Management
- Asset Development
- Finance and Investments
- Grantmaking and Community Leadership
- Operational Sustainability
- Community Foundation Lifecycle

Please [contact Michele Walstrom](#) with questions.

Learn more and register here!

In this month's blog, Ellie Moore, ICoF Administrative and Communications Coordinator, shares her key learnings from developing the [Disaster Philanthropy Toolkit](#), a resource available from ICoF for community foundations regarding disaster preparedness, response and recovery. Ellie notes several findings which community foundations should consider when developing their own response to disasters in their area.

[Read this month's blog here!](#)

Learning Opportunities

National Standards Monthly Conference Call

Second Wednesday of each month | 12 pm | Next call is April 10

The purpose of this monthly call is to offer community foundation staff a venue to voice questions or concerns related to the National Standards program. The input of CF staff is critical to the success of the program. Additionally, this call provides an opportunity for National Standards staff to update CF staff about any upcoming changes or improvements to the accreditation process.

[Learn more and register here!](#)

Leading Together: Council on Foundations Annual Conference

April 29 - May 1, 2019 | Miami, FL

Leading Together is a gathering of smart and pioneering people exploring the intersection of philanthropy and driving communities forward. It's a place where you find the time to pause, let your mind go free, and think about big ideas and what's possible.

[Learn more and register here!](#)

Peer Pointers

more information about these topics, please [contact Michele](#).

The Community Foundation of Jackson County (CFJC), an affiliate of the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque was looking for ways to raise funds for a project fund for their new FFA - Maquoketa Ag Learning Center at the Maquoketa High School. So the fundraising committee, along with the local Ag teacher, collaborated with high school students to bring their fundraising to those that might be most interested in the project - local farmers. The students, on 4-wheelers, drove out to farms around Jackson County during harvest time to promote the community foundation's Gifts of Grain program as a way for farmers to help with their new building fund. They handed out sandwiches, bottled water and the [Gifts of Grain one-pagers](#) to build awareness. Mary Jo Gothard, CFJC Executive Director, said of the project, "It not only brought in tons of grain gifts, another CFJC project fund on the Jackson County Fairgrounds received grain gifts as well. It was a win-win for the project funds as well as CFJC!"

Community Foundations in the News

[The Community Foundation of Greater Muscatine is collaborating with local nonprofits to survey their community on child care needs.](#)

[The Greater Cedar Rapids Community Foundation recently collaborated with the City of Cedar Rapids, Linn County and the Cedar Rapids Community School District to establish the Creating Safe, Equitable and Thriving \(SET\) Communities Fund to address youth violence in their community.](#)

[The County Endowment Fund Program was recently featured on Radio Iowa.](#)

Articles & Items of Interest

USDA Grants Available

The Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI) is now accepting grant applications for qualified intermediary organizations that will provide financial and technical assistance to recipients to develop their capacity and ability to undertake projects related to housing, community facilities, or community and

Applications for this program must be received via grants.gov by midnight on June 5, 2019. Paper applications may be submitted until 4 pm on June 10, 2019. Fax, electronic mail and postage due applications will not be accepted.

New Online Philanthropy Tool

A new philanthropy portal is being created to help rural nonprofits interested in healthcare seek out funding opportunities more easily. A federal agency and national association have commissioned a toolkit to help groups raise more money for rural health-related projects. More information can be found [here](#).

Washington Snapshot

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

Philanthropy Career Center

Iowa Commission on Volunteer Service is seeking applicants for the following positions:

- AmeriCorps Program Officer;
- Communications and Engagement Officer;
- Senior National Service Program Officer;
- Mentoring Program Officer; and
- Volunteer Promotion Coordinator.

Quad Cities Community Foundation - Vice President of Finance

Quad Cities, IA | Full-Time

The Quad Cities Community Foundation seeks a professional with 5-10 years of successful experience as a financial executive with experience and knowledge of the non-profit sector, foundations, public/fund accounting and investment management. This position is a member of the Community Foundation's Executive team with leadership responsibilities to manage and evaluate all financial activities including planning, forecasting and analysis; development and management of accounting and investment procedures, compliance, and budgets. This position ultimately ensures the timely accuracy of all financial reporting activities for the Community Foundation.

Sioux City, IA | Full-Time

The Siouxland Community Foundation is hiring an Executive Director/President responsible for providing professional leadership and direction to the Foundation by assisting the Board of Directors in maintaining an effective and viable organization.

[Learn more here!](#)

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