

Sac County Endowment Foundation

This foundation was established in 2005 to provide long-term funding for projects in Sac County. Eligible applicants are 501(c)3 non-profit organizations and units of government. Initial funding for the foundation came from the proceeds of Iowa gaming.

You can also make a contribution to the foundation through:

- Gifts of cash, securities, CD's, etc.
 - Gifts of real estate
- Bequests through a will or trust
 - Estate gifts
 - Memorial gifts
- Restricted or unrestricted gifts

Endow Iowa Tax Credits are available for contributions to the foundation on your state tax return. For more information, contact the Sac Economic & Tourism Development office at 712-662-7383 or setd@longlines.com.

"Your legacy gift will be one that not only grows financial returns, but grows benefits for future generations."

Sac County Endowment Foundation
Grant Application
~ 2006 ~

Dear Nonprofit Colleague,

We are pleased to announce the availability of the Sac County Endowment Foundation Grant Application. This form was developed to make the grant seeking process simpler and more efficient for nonprofits. The application may be obtained from the Sac County Endowment Foundation at 615 W. Main St., Sac City, Iowa 50583.

~ The Grant Committee

The Sac County Endowment Foundation was formed in 2005 to coordinate and provide philanthropic support for community betterment projects in Sac County. The foundation is made up of community minded individuals who have the ability to assess community needs, implement asset development, evaluate area grant applications, encourage partnerships and initiate activities to enhance Sac County. Each year the foundation makes grant awards to worthwhile projects located in the county that are identified through a community grants application process. Our foundation's areas of emphasis include:

* *Arts & Culture* * *Community Betterment* * *Education*
* *Health & Human Services* * *Recreation & Environment* * *Youth Development*

The Sac County Endowment Foundation makes grants to I.R.S. 501(c)(3) 'tax exempt' organizations and 170(b) 'unit of government' organizations to assist in fulfilling the Foundation's mission to foster private giving, strengthen service providers and improve the conditions of the community, county, or area of interest. Our foundation promotes endowment building, community grantmaking, organizational collaboration, and public leadership for the benefit of the Sac County area.

The Sac County Endowment Foundation is an affiliate of the Iowa Community Affiliate Network, a collaboration of the Greater Des Moines Community Foundation (GDMCF) and the Iowa Area Development Group Community Foundation, who have recognized the need for new avenues to encourage philanthropy throughout Iowa. The Iowa Community Affiliate Network currently serves 31 counties throughout Iowa, including an "umbrella" or "Family" of related funds benefiting specific communities and projects. Each Affiliate advises on a geographically focused collection of funds. They are components of the GDMCF sharing in its tax-exempt status and developed to increase the philanthropic base for Sac County.

Grant amounts are dependent upon the allocation of funds available to the Endowment Foundation each fiscal year, limited to non-profits located in and projects serving the county.

Please submit 6 copies of the completed applications by mail or delivered to:

Sac County Endowment Foundation
615 W. Main St.
Sac City, Iowa 50583

For an application form, please call or email: Shirley Phillips, 712-662-7383, or setd@longlines.com. Application deadline: **January 25th at 4:00 p.m.**

Sac County Endowment – Eligible applicants

These funds must be used for grants to charitable organizations for educational, civic, public, charitable, patriotic, or religious uses.

- Cities or organizations affiliated with a city
- Counties or organizations affiliated with the county
- Community development organizations
- Schools
- Chamber organizations
- Main Street organizations
- Tourism organizations
- Community Betterment organizations
- Religious organizations
- Patriotic/Veterans Organization

Sac County Endowment Foundation - Funding Criteria

Applications for funding will be scored based on the following criteria.

Points Criteria

150	Economic or community development impact
150	Evidence of local planning
100	Local investment, including cash and volunteer commitments
50	Evidence of a broad-based community team
50	Capacity to implement and complete the project within twelve months (demonstrated by the work plan)

Total Points awarded 500

Sac County Endowment Fund - Unacceptable Applications

- Applications without all required documentation attached
- Applications submitted by ineligible applicants or projects contacts
- Handwritten applications
- Applications submitted via fax

Sac County Endowment – Project Reports

- Quarterly reports will be required during the project period, once funding is established
- Final Reports and Financial Reports will be required for ALL grant program projects