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ENHANCE IOWA BOARD MEETING — JUNE 2019

Board Meeting. The Enhance Iowa Board met on June 12, 2019. The Board took the following actions:

- Approved amendments for Community Attraction and Tourism (CAT) Committee contract extensions for the following:
 - Ida Grove Community Foundation, King Theatre Renovation Project.
 - Art Center Association of Sioux City, Increasing Access to Art and Education Project.
- Approved the following two CAT awards:
 - Hoyt Sherman Place Foundation, The Next 100 Years Project, in Des Moines (\$500,000).
 - City of Solon, Phase IV-Splash Pad and Restroom Picnic Facility Project, in Solon (\$57,000).

The Enhance Iowa Program provides financial incentives to communities for the construction of recreational, cultural, educational, or entertainment facilities that enhance the quality of life in Iowa. The Enhance Iowa Board is appointed by the Governor and oversees the administration of the CAT Grant Program. Additional duties include the oversight of the Sports Tourism Program and the River Enhancement Community Attraction and Tourism Program.

Appropriations from the infrastructure budget for the CAT Program fund infrastructure projects to assist communities in the development and creation of multipurpose attraction and tourism facilities. To be eligible, projects must be permanent recreational, cultural, educational, or entertainment attractions; be available to the public; and promote tourism in the local communities. Eligible applicants include cities, counties, public organizations, or school districts in cooperation with a city or county.

More Information. Information on the meeting from the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) can be found [here](#).

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