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ENHANCE IOWA BOARD MEETING — AUGUST 2019

Board Meeting. The Enhance Iowa Board met on August 14, 2019. The Board took the following actions:

- Approved the following nine Community Attraction and Tourism (CAT) grant awards:
 - Radcliffe Legion Rebuild in Radcliffe (\$56,000)
 - Shell Rock Swimming Pool in Shell Rock (\$117,000)
 - Paving the Way to Outdoor Pickleball in Mount Pleasant (\$22,000)
 - City of Joice Library and Community Center, in Joice (\$342,000)
 - The Englert Theatre in Iowa City (\$221,000)
 - Algona Public Library Building Project in Algona (\$400,000)
 - Brooklyn Opera House in Brooklyn (\$500,000)
 - Brucemore Preservation Project in Cedar Rapids (\$400,000)
 - Johnson County Historical Society Museum Relocation in Coralville (\$500,000)

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 Grant 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, and 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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