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### ENHANCE IOWA BOARD MEETING — AUGUST 2020

**Board Meeting.** The Enhance Iowa Board met on August 20, 2020. The Board took the following actions:

- Approved the extension of two contract completion dates.
- Approved the following 12 Community Attraction and Tourism (CAT) grant awards:
  - City of Sioux City – Chris Larsen Park Riverfront Development (\$400,000).
  - City of Estherville – Estherville Municipal Swimming Pool Project (\$250,000).
  - City of Marion – The Marion Public Library New Building Project (\$450,000).
  - City of Tabor and Tabor Library Association – Lakin Library and Envisioning Center (\$186,877).
  - City of Holstein – Holstein Aquatic Center (\$300,000).
  - Woodbine Community Foundation, Woodbine Community School District, and City of Woodbine — Woodbine Regional Wellness Center (\$450,000).
  - Madison County Conservation Board – Madison County Conservation Center (\$450,000).
  - Iowa Railroad Historical Society – All Aboard! Capital Campaign (\$150,000).
  - Linn County Conservation – Morgan Creek Park Development – Phase I (\$350,000).
  - Red Oak Grand Theatre, Inc. – Expand the Grand – Phase II (\$150,000).
  - Winnebago County Conservation Board – Winnebago County Environmental Education Center (\$250,000).
  - City of Mason City – The Principal Pavilion (\$375,000).

The Board has \$1,251,074 remaining for CAT grants after the awards listed above.

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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