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## BUDGET UNIT BRIEF – FY 2018

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# Midwest Grape and Wine Industry Institute

## Purpose and History

The Midwest Grape and Wine Industry Institute is located at Iowa State University and was approved by the Iowa Board of Regents in September 2006. The formation of the Institute was in response to the State's evolving grape and wine industry.

Goals of the Institute include:

- Conducting research to evaluate cold-hardy grape varieties that can thrive in the Midwest.
- Conducting enology (science of wine and wine making) research.
- Developing a wine quality award program.
- Establishing an outreach program to the Iowa wine industry for training and assistance.
- Partnering with community colleges to develop job training programs for growing grapes and making wine.

## Funding History

Funding to the Midwest Grape and Wine Industry Institute includes an allocation of \$288,000 from the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship and a \$250,000 appropriation from the wine gallonage tax.

## Related Statutes and Administrative Rules

Iowa Code section [123.183](#)

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## More Information

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