

## Background

The Grundy County Community Foundation was formed with the intent to encourage endowment building for the long-term benefit of Grundy County. We serve a broad purpose working to retain assets in the community through the establishment of scholarships, agency endowments, donor advised funds, etc.

The State of Iowa also sees the value of community foundations. In fact, in recent years, the State of Iowa has undertaken several initiatives to promote the formation and growth of community foundations. One of these efforts was the County Endowment Fund legislation of the 2004 session. This bill provides that, beginning in 2005, 1/2 of 1% of the state's gambling revenues will be distributed to the Iowa counties that do not have gambling entities. These funds will be distributed through Qualified Community Foundations or Community Affiliates.

All the counties receiving the funds, including Grundy, must use the funds for grants to charitable organizations, for a variety of uses in our county. 75% of the funds are to be allocated for current projects. 25% of the funds must be allocated to a permanent endowment fund that will grow over time to meet future needs in our county.

## Committee Members

Kelly Riskedahl - *GCDA Director/Ex Officio*

Jill Johnson - *Wellsburg/Chairperson*

Wendy Lage – *Wellsburg/Vice-Chairperson*

Jim Petersen – *Reinbeck/Secretary-Treasurer*

Tom McLean – *Morrison*

Chris Schildroth – *Reinbeck*

Brenda Heitmeyer – *Beaman*

Jane Gallentine - *Conrad*

Jordan Dirks – *Grundy Center*

Don Knudsen – *Dike*

Merlin Chapman – *Dike*

Keely Harken – *Grundy Center*

For good.  
For Grundy County.  
For ever.

## Grant Application & Distribution Procedures

Local Office:  
705 F Avenue · P.O. Box 85  
Grundy Center, IA 50638  
Phone: 319-825-3606  
Fax: 319-825-6471

Administrative Office:  
319.287.9106



## Eligibility for Grants

## How to Apply

## Grant Application Locations

### Yes - we can fund:

- **501(c)3 Agencies**
- **Churches**  
community activities only
- **Government Entities**  
charitable activities
- **Economic Development**  
marketing
- **Schools**  
scholarships, general support
- **Service Clubs**  
charitable projects

### No - we do not fund:

- **General Operational Salaries**
- **Individuals**
- **Businesses/For-Profit Companies**
- **Churches**  
for purpose of advancing one religion
- **Economic Development**  
for activities directly benefiting business & industry

***There are NO  
set of criteria that,  
if met, will  
guarantee funding.***

**Applicants interested in seeking grants from the Grundy County Community Foundation are asked to submit:**

- **Two page grant application**
- **A copy of the project budget**
- **The letter from the IRS indicating status as a 501(c)3 organization or a fiscal agent sponsorship form.**

*Please call 319-287-9106 if you if you have questions or concerns on tax-exempt status.*

**Mail copies of the application and attachments to:**

**12 Copies to our local office**  
Grundy County Development Alliance  
P.O. Box 85  
Grundy Center, IA 50638

**AND**

**1 Copy to our admin. office**  
Grundy County Community Foundation  
PO Box 1176  
Waterloo, Iowa 50704

**Please staple each copy. Do not bind, paperclip, or place in folders.**

**All copies of applications must be postmarked by March 15, 2010.**

The 2010 grant application is available beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>. Applications can be picked up during regular business hours at the following locations in Grundy County:

- **Public Libraries**
- **City Halls**
- **GCDA Office**  
705 F Avenue in Grundy Center
- **Website**  
[www.cfneia.org/grundycounty](http://www.cfneia.org/grundycounty)

If you have questions, please call:

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Administrative office: (319) 287-9106

**The final review process will be completed in May.  
All applicants will be notified in writing in June as to whether their application will be funded.**