

Pocahontas County Foundation 2010 Grant Application

Dear Nonprofit Colleague,

We are pleased to announce the availability of the Pocahontas County Foundation Grant Application for the fifth year.

The Pocahontas County Foundation was formed in 2005 to coordinate and provide philanthropic support for community betterment projects in Pocahontas County. The foundation will make grant awards to worthwhile projects located in Pocahontas County identified through a grant application process. Grant amounts will be dependent upon the allocation of funds each year.

Our Foundation's areas of emphasis include:

- * Arts, Culture, Humanities
- * Education
- * Environment, Animals
- *Health
- *Human Services
- *Public Society Benefit
- *Other

Application and support material is limited to four pages

Grant applications are available at the Pocahontas County Extension Service and also on these websites: www.pocahontas-county.com/community/ or www.extension.iastate.edu/pocahontas/

Submit **thirteen copies** of the application by mail or hand deliver to:

**Pocahontas County Foundation
305 N Main, PO Box 86
Pocahontas, IA 50574**

Application deadline: Delivered by October 16, 2009 (One grant period per year)

The review of grant applications will begin following the application deadline. You will be notified by mid December of the acceptance of your proposal with grants awarded in January.

If you have questions call Nancy Jenson, Foundation Secretary, at 712-335-3103.

Pocahontas County Foundation Board of Directors,

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Pocahontas County Foundation

Principles for Grant Awards

2009

1. The applying organization must be located and/or serve clients in Pocahontas County.
2. The applicant must be a non-profit charitable organization that is tax exempt under IRS regulation. Grantees may ask a 501c3 agency to be their fiscal agent. That number must be supplied on the application form. No grants will be made that jeopardize the tax exempt status of the Foundation.
3. The foundation makes grants to support creative and innovative programs, current or emerging charitable opportunities, services not presently offered, and occasional capital projects – all of which should enhance the quality of life in the county.
4. Especially interesting are projects proposed by coalitions of service providers, those likely to gain support from matching fund arrangements, and replicable in design.
5. Special attention will be given to projects applying to broad segments of the County.
6. Projects funded should not represent significant duplication of initiative already undertaken by other nonprofit agencies.
7. Grants are not made in support of annual operating budgets, routine maintenance or repair, or for projects that are considered to be meeting the daily needs of operation.
8. Requests will generally be denied for current budget support, salaries, food, elimination of deficits, reduction of debt or funding of completed projects.
9. Low priority will be given to programs or projects sponsored by religious institutions and which have a narrowly sectarian purpose. However, programs so sponsored will be considered if they have an ecumenical base or are designed to serve persons in need without regard to their religious affiliation.
10. The yearly selection process does not have to be consistent with previous selections.

Criteria used by the selection committee:

Grant proposals will be judged on the basis of such things as:

- The intrinsic merit of the project for meeting priority county-wide need
- The ability and past experience of the staff in terms of the likelihood of successful completion of projects
- The clarity and measurability of the projects goals
- Plans to fund the project beyond the grant period
- The feasibility of the time frame given for completion of the project

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Date application submitted: _____

Name of Organization

Organization Address

Phone _____ Fax _____

Employer ID Number or EIN (Required) _____

Name of contact person regarding this application

Address _____

Phone: _____ E-mail _____
(Required)

Project focus area (check only one):

____ Arts, Culture, Humanities
____ Education/Leadership
____ Environment, Animals

____ Health
____ Human Services
____ Public Society Benefit
____ Other

Please list the names and addresses of the officers of your board of directors.

1. Chair:
2. Vice Chair:
3. Secretary:
4. Treasurer:

Describe your organization's 1) charitable purpose, 2) program activities, and 3) population served. (4-5 sentences)

Request Summary

Describe your proposal. 1) what you hope to accomplish/goals and timeline; 2) need and project objectives; 3) estimated number of people who will be impacted; 4) partners who will assist in project; 5) other resources available for project.

Project budget:

Total Project cost:	\$ _____
Matching funds (Strongly recommended)	\$ _____
Total requested from County Foundation:	\$ _____

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(One additional page of support material is allowed.)

4. Please describe program/project results and any evaluation you conducted.

Attach publicity about your project or recognition of the Foundation grant. Include pictures of your project implementation and/or results.

Please submit receipts expended on your project at least equal to the amount of the foundation grant.

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