

**What is the Ida County Community Betterment Foundation (ICCBF)?**

The ICCBF is a charitable foundation created by and for the people of Ida County to receive gifts from individuals, families, corporations, private foundations, and governmental agencies. These gifts are carefully invested for maximum return and growth, and the income from the endowments is used to make grants to public charities that best meet the needs of Ida County.

**What is the Foundation's purpose?**

The purpose of the ICCBF is to connect donors who care with causes that matter and to enhance the quality of life in our county.

**Who manages the Foundation?**

An Advisory Board representing the varied interests of Ida County is responsible for governance. The Ida County Community Betterment Foundation is an affiliate of the Siouxland Community Foundation which provides administrative and technical assistance.

**Who decides on the grants?**

The ICCBF Advisory Board is charged with carefully reviewing grant proposals and recommending grants to be awarded. The ICCBF Advisory Board makes grant recommendations based on identified county needs and the proposing organization's capacity to effectively enhance the quality of life in Ida County.

**Why give through the Foundation?**

The Foundation serves as a vehicle to carry out the charitable objectives of donors, offers distinct advantages, and provides a simple, powerful approach to giving.



**2008 - 09 ICCBF Advisory Board**

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**Civic and Community**

**Battle Creek Ambulance - \$9,000:** For the purchase of a power cot which will assist in lifting patients in and out of the ambulance and allow service to run with a 2 man crew.

**Battle Creek Community Fire Department - \$6,161:** Toward the purchase of self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), SCBA face masks, and SCBA voice amps to replace old and unreliable equipment.

**Battle Creek Families for Playground Equipment - \$5,000:** *Fiscal Sponsor is the City of Battle Creek.* Toward the purchase of materials (concrete, labor, etc.) necessary to build a partially enclosed shelter house with restrooms at Alumni Park.

**Galva Economic Development Corporation - \$8,000:** Closing of a restaurant has provided the opportunity to remodel the space and plans are to open it as a Community Center. Funding toward ADA accessible bathroom, flooring in the kitchen, and HV/AC replacement.

**Galva First Responders - \$2,280:** Support for pagers for new members and to replace some old pagers to equip members so they will be able to go on calls 24/7 and improve responding time to an incident.

**Galva Visioning Committee - \$4,000:** *Fiscal Sponsor is Galva Economic Development Corp.* Toward dirt work, cement, landscaping, seeding, and labor to establish a walking trail that will provide students a safe route to bus stop and give residents a safe walking path.

**Ida County Agricultural Society - \$2,000:** *Fiscal Sponsor is the City of Ida Grove.* Funds will assist in upgrading and conversion of livestock scale from mechanical to electronic weighing, recording, and printing to provide more accurate weight of livestock shown and sold during Ida County Fair.

**Ida Grove Chamber of Commerce - \$1,000:** *Fiscal Sponsor is City of Ida Grove.* Toward installing three new flagpoles with flags and lights, and to landscape the area to continue the downtown beatification project.

**Ida Grove Volunteer Fire Department - \$10,000:** Support toward the purchase of a rescue unit that will allow rescue personnel and equipment to respond to an emergency as one unit instead of multiple vehicles.

**Education**

**Arthur Public Library - \$3,000:** Toward upgrading equipment and furnishings to improve ability to meet needs of patrons and offer classes/programs.

**Battle Creek-Ida Grove Elementary School - \$5,940:** Toward a playground that is handicap accessible for PK-K students at the elementary school in Ida Grove and play equipment that will be added to the school (grades 4-6) in Battle Creek. Playground will be available to the community whenever the school is not in session.

**Battle Creek-Ida Grove Elementary School - \$3,000:** Support toward software to continue as well as expand Successmaker program which helps students (K-6) improve individual achievement in reading and math.

**Education . . . continued**

**Battle Creek-Ida Grove Community School District - \$1,000:** Funding toward helping early childhood teachers (PK-3) take graduate classes to help them stay on top of current classes and information to improve student achievement. Assistance of up to \$200 per credit hour will be available until funds have been depleted.

**Battle Creek-Ida Grove Community School District - \$3,932:** Project is a collaborative effort between BC-IG School District, Ida County Head Start, Galva-Holstein School District, and Wee Wisdom Preschool. Funding to set-up and implement portable motor gyms at the four Ida County preschool sites. Equipment for the motor gyms is designed to implement the "Motion and Minds" program to enhance preschool motor skill development.

**Battle Creek Public Library - \$3,000:** Funds to purchase 2 new computers, 20 audio books on CD, and 20 large print books to offer internet access, expose individuals to text that is beyond their reading ability, and offer books to vision for impaired adults.

**Galva-Holstein Middle School - \$8,897:** Funding for Middle School Student Council to purchase multiple accelerated reading books, FOSS book sets, media equipment, and more shelving for the school library to increase reading ability of students and allow teachers to incorporate more books into curriculum.

**Galva Public Library - \$3,000:** Support for repairs to make library accessible to all patrons; and for accelerated reading books, and reading programs to help educate youth.

**Iowa State University Extension - \$5,190:** Toward Family FUNdamentals Program (educational materials, marketing, office supplies, facility rent for session locations, presenter fees, etc.) which will provide 12 sessions of education to parents and caregivers of young children to improve skills and create healthy environments.

**Health**

**Good Samaritan Society - \$2,000:** Toward additional equipment for physical therapy unit to expand services and offer more to community members so they do not have to go elsewhere for services.

**Horn Memorial Hospital - \$10,000:** Goal of hospital is to have each patient's entire medical record in an electronic format which will eliminate the need for two sets of records, one paper and one electronic. Funding for half the cost of the FileBound Software needed for scanning of medical records.

**Human Services**

**West Central Drug Court - \$3,600:** Funds to rent 10 SCRAM ankle bracelets worn 24/7 by an offender for the duration of his or her court-ordered abstinence period. Bracelets capture transdermal alcohol readings and transmits the data via a wireless radio frequency signal.

**TOTAL AWARDED: \$100,000**