

Selected Grant Opportunities for Community Organizations and Governments in Warren County, IA

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More information, including links to applications, at www.warrencountyhometown.com under "grant resources."



Grant	Purpose	Typical Due Date	Amount
Warren County Philanthropic Partnership	For projects serving Warren County and its residents. Categories: Arts/Culture/Humanities, Education, Environment/Animals, Health, Human Services, Community and Economic Development, Trails	Early March	\$500-\$10,000
Prairie Meadows Community Betterment Grants	For organizations seeking to improve the lives of people in their communities. Funding priorities: Arts & Culture, Economic Development, Education, Health & Human Services	Feb 28, 2020	\$100-\$99,999
Paint Iowa Beautiful	Paint for public service projects, including murals, park equipment & buildings.	February 14, 2020	Free paint
Art Project Grant (Iowa Arts Council)	Funding for the creation and presentation of new artwork, development of an arts experience or formation of an arts education program.	May 1, 2020	\$1k-\$10k; 1:1 match req.
Wellmark MATCH grants	For projects in Iowa that promote safe and healthy environments and encourage activity; and/or increase access to healthy foods	Feb 21 2020, (Large); June 5, 2020 (Small)	Large: Up to \$100k; Small: Up to \$25k
Community Gardens Mini Grants	Fund community gardens in Polk, Warren or Dallas County	February	\$500-\$1500
Carlisle Community Foundation	For projects in the Greater Carlisle School area	March	\$250-\$500
Build with Bags	Funds the purchase of items for parks or schools that are constructed with plastic made from recycled shopping bags.	March 30	Up to \$2,000
Community Attraction and Tourism (CAT) grant	Assist projects that provide recreational, cultural, entertainment and educational attractions, as well as sports tourism. (project must be available to the general public to use and 65% of funds must be raised to be eligible.)	Accepted quarterly	Varies, awards range roughly \$20k-\$1M+
Trees for Kids & Trees for Kids Seedling Giveaway	2 programs: 1. Purchase trees and mulch to be planted on public lands or school grounds; 2. Free tree seedlings for schools and local governments.	March and Sept	\$1,000-\$5,000; Free seedlings

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Warren County Tourism Grants	Warren County offers money for tourism projects for our small town governments and our Chambers of Commerce.	June	Varies by population
Arts Build Communities	For an arts project that addresses a civic challenge or issue in your community.	2021 (Biannual)	\$10,000
Resource Enhancement and Protection (REAP)	Protect and Enhance Natural and Cultural Resources. Includes funding for city parks and open space, roadside vegetation and historic preservation.	Varies by funding type	Varies by population
Recreational Trails Program (State/Federal)	Provide and maintain motorized and non-motorized recreational trails and trail-related projects. Managed by Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT).	Federal: Oct; State: July	Varies
Iowa's Transportation Alternatives Program	Smaller-scale transportation projects such as pedestrian and bicycle facilities, recreational trails, safe routes to school projects, and more.	October	Varies. Usually \$100k+
Community Catalyst Building Remediation	For redevelopment, rehabilitation or deconstruction of buildings to stimulate economic growth or reinvestment in the community	Pre-app due January 2020.	Up to \$100,000
CDBG Downtown Revitalization Fund	To rehabilitate blighted downtown buildings.	Spring	Varies by pop. Up to \$500k

Other Funding Options To Consider

Local Business Sponsorships	Many businesses will provide sponsorships or donations for community causes. Larger corporations sometimes have formalized giving programs with application forms, but for most smaller businesses, you simply need to ask the manager or owner. Make a plan for how you will publicly recognize their sponsorship to give them good publicity! Businesses often view sponsorships as a valuable marketing opportunity.
Individual Giving	Iowans give approximately \$7 billion to charity each year. Though you may feel hesitant to ask friends and neighbors for money, this is often the best funding strategy for many projects!

Please note: The information above is accurate to the best of our knowledge. Details are subject to change. Always check with the grant-maker directly for deadlines and eligibility.