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# MRHD Awards \$1.2 Million Dollars to 15 Siouxland Organizations

SIoux CITY – Missouri River Historical Development (MRHD) distributed \$1.2 million in grant funds to 15 local Siouxland organizations today as part of their annual Impact Match Grant Awards Ceremony and Reception at the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center. Around 100 people representing various nonprofit organizations and local governments attended.

MRHD's Impact Match Grant program offers funding awards from \$25,000 to \$250,000 for 1-year to support a variety of projects or programs in 5 categories:

1. Economic Development, Community Improvement, Tourism
2. Human Services, Health Services
3. Civic, Public, Charitable, Patriotic, Religious
4. Leisure, Cultural, Historical
5. Education

"We're thrilled to distribute \$1.2 million into the community today through our Impact Match Grant program," said Steve Huisenga, MRHD Board President. "The organizations and projects we funded today reflect MRHD's ongoing mission of enhancing the quality of life for all people who live in Woodbury County," said Huisenga. "We're thankful for our great partners at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Sioux City, whose ongoing support allows us to make these continued investments back into the community."

MRHD is the non-profit organization that holds the license for gaming in Woodbury County. Its funding is generated from an agreement between MRHD and Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Sioux City which allows Hard Rock to run a gaming operation in Woodbury County using MRHD's gaming license.

Since MRHD and Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Sioux City formed their partnership in 2014, MRHD has invested over \$32 million in the community. In total, MRHD has provided more than \$50 million in local grant funding for projects that improve the quality of life for people in Woodbury County since their grants program began in 1994.

For more information regarding MRHD's Impact Match Grant program, please contact MRHD Executive Director, David Gleiser at: (712) 899-6631, or [execdir@mrhdiowa.org](mailto:execdir@mrhdiowa.org).

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# 2023 Impact Match Grant Awards

**IMPORTANT: THIS INFORMATION IS EMBARGOED UNTIL WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25TH, 2023, 10AM**

APP #	ORGANIZATION	PROJECT	REQUESTED	AWARDED
<b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT, TOURISM</b>				
I23-02	Woodbury County Fair	New Sound System and AC for Open Class Building	\$ 63,532	\$ 63,532
I23-25	Siouxland Historical Railroad Association	John Deere Gator UTV, Milwaukee Road Passengers Cars, and Carport	\$ 153,872	\$ 52,560
			\$ 217,404	<b>\$ 116,092</b>
<b>HUMAN SERVICES, HEALTH SERVICES</b>				
I23-14	Sioux City Fire Rescue	Lucas Mechanical Chest Compression Devices	\$ 50,643	\$ 50,643
I23-11	Siouxland Mental Health Services, Inc.	Infrastructure Updates at 3 locations (one in Merville and two in Sioux City)	\$ 62,226	\$ 62,226
I23-34	Camp High Hopes	Precast Concrete Wall and Ceiling Panels for New Multi-Purpose Adaptive Rec. Center	\$ 250,000	\$ 200,000
I23-22	Hope Street of Siouxland	Safety & Security Renovations	\$ 46,523	\$ 46,523
I23-30	UnityPoint Health - St. Luke's Foundation	Construction and Furniture for St. Luke's Emergency Department Remodel	\$ 250,000	\$ 200,000
			\$ 659,392	<b>\$ 559,392</b>
<b>CIVIC, PUBLIC, CHARITABLE, PATRIOTIC, RELIGIOUS</b>				
I23-17	Food Bank of Siouxland	Straddel Stacker and J-One Lift	\$ 46,197	\$ 30,000
I23-10	Holy Spirit Home Foundation	Christ on the Cross Statue, Altar Table, and Religious Pieces for Chapel Altar & Chapel Spaces	\$ 74,999	\$ 50,000
I23-28	St. Luke Lutheran Church	Reach-in Fridge, Kitchen Flooring, and AC/Furnaces	\$ 72,756	\$ 25,000
I23-25	St. Mark Lutheran Church	Glenn Avenue Project - Phase 1, Concrete/Asphalt Work & Security Fencing and Lighting	\$ 39,820	\$ 39,820
			\$ 233,772	<b>\$ 144,820</b>
<b>LEISURE, CULTURAL, HISTORICAL</b>				
I23-24	Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center	Audio System for LCIC, and A/V, Lighting & Sound Equipment in Stanley Evans Auditorium	\$ 76,989	\$ 50,000
			\$ 76,989	<b>\$ 50,000</b>
<b>EDUCATION</b>				
I23-08	Sanford Community Center	Fence Replacement & Playground Equipment	\$ 51,439	\$ 51,439
I23-07	Briar Cliff University - School of Education	Construction, Furniture & Equipment for New Agile Classroom	\$ 28,051	\$ 28,051
I23-23	Norm Waitt Sr. YMCA	Construction for New Early Learning & Youth Development Center Expansion	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000
			\$ 329,490	<b>\$ 329,490</b>
			\$ 1,517,047	<b>\$ 1,199,794</b>
				Total Awarded