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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

## MRHD Impact Match Grants Program Opens in July - \$1 Million in Total Funding Available

SIOUX CITY – Missouri River Historical Development, Inc. (MRHD) will open the online application process for its Impact Match Grants Program on July 1. The Impact Match Grants Program provides awards ranging from \$25,000 to \$250,000 for one year to support proposals that create significant impact in addressing the needs of the community and the organization's work. \$1 Million in total funding is available for this grant cycle.

Grants will be awarded in 5 categories:

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

"MHRD is excited to announce the schedule of this year's Impact Match Grants cycle," said Steve Huisenga, MRHD Board President. "The Impact Match Grants Program is one that really helps us support larger-scale projects in our communities and fulfill MRHD's Mission of improving the quality of life for all Woodbury County residents," says Huisenga.

While the primary focus area for all MRHD grant programs is Woodbury County, Iowa, organizations operating in the adjacent Iowa counties of Cherokee, Crawford, Ida, Monona, and Plymouth; Union County in South Dakota, and Dakota County in Nebraska, are eligible to apply if their project has an impact on Woodbury County.

Impact Match Grants cannot exceed 75% of the total project budget or \$250,000. This grant program requires a strong, well-documented cash and in-kind match from the applicant and their collaborators, which meets or greatly exceeds the minimum 25% match required by MRHD. In-kind contributions may be used for up to half of the required match.

MRHD reimburses the grant award amount after the project has been completed and receipts are submitted with the required Certificate of Completion form. To apply, visit: mrhdiowa.org.

2023 Impact Match Grant Cycle:

- July 1-31, Pre-Application Period
- August 1-31, Application Period

- October 9-13, Notification of Decision Period
- October 25, Awards Ceremony & Reception

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

Since 1989, MRHD has invested more than \$49 Million into the Siouxland community through grants generated by casino gaming revenue.

For more information about MRHD, or the 2023 Impact Match Grants Program, visit mrhdiowa.org, or contact MRHD Executive Director, David Gleiser at: (712) 899-6631, execdir@mrhdiowa.org.

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