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## **MRHD to Announce Recipients of 2023 Target Grant Awards**

SIOUX CITY – Missouri River Historical Development (MRHD) will announce the recipients of their 2023 Target Grant at the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center on Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, at 2pm. In total, \$500,000 will be awarded to 31 local organizations. This event is open to the public and media.

The MRHD Target Grant is a competitive grant opportunity that provides qualified applicants up to \$25,000 for one year to support a variety of projects or programs and is designed to address short-term projects or capacity building items.

Grants will be awarded in 5 categories: Economic Development, Community Improvement and Tourism; Human Services and Health Services; Civic, Public, Patriotic, Charitable & Religious; Leisure, Cultural and Historical; and Education. The President of the MRHD Board of Directors, Steve Huisenga, will make the opening and closing comments, and MRHD Target Grant committee members, Dave Bernstein and Chris Groves will make the award announcements and distribute checks during the awards ceremony. Refreshments, photos, and networking will take place following the event.

The MRHD 2023 Target Grant Committee reviewed 60 grant applications before recommending funding for this year's 31 recipients. The committee's recommendations received approval from MRHD's full Board of Directors.

"MRHD is pleased to announce our upcoming Target Grant awards ceremony," says Sarah Kleber, Chair of the 2023 Target Grant Committee. "This year 31 non-profits and local governmental agencies will be awarded a cumulative total of \$500,000. We're thankful for our partnership with Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Sioux City, which allows us to distribute these funds into our community," says Kleber.

Since 1989, MRHD has invested more than \$49 Million into the Siouxland 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 the company to run a gaming operation in Woodbury County using MRHD's gaming license.

For more information about MRHD, or the 2023 Target Grant awards ceremony, contact MRHD Executive Director, David Gleiser at: (712) 899-6631, or [execdir@mrhdiowa.org](mailto:execdir@mrhdiowa.org).

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