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Clive Community Foundation Announces 2019 Grants *\$30,925 in awards granted to Clive area not-for-profit organizations*

CLIVE, IOWA – Dec. 2, 2019 – The Clive Community Foundation (CCF) will distribute \$30,925 to 15 Clive area not-for-profit organizations, completing CCF's 2019 grant process. The annual funding request process began in August, with charitable requests solicited by CCF to fulfill its mission to support area organizations which strengthen the Clive and surrounding communities.

"Clive Community Foundation's annual grant-giving cycle is complete, and we must always remind ourselves of the important work underway each day by these organizations," said Scott Cirksema, board president and Mayor of Clive. "For the past several years, the Foundation has raised and distributed money to meet the growing needs of our community. The not-for-profits we help to fund directly benefit Clive residents through programs and dollars that stay close to home."

CCF seeks funding opportunities that specifically improve community health and the quality of life of Clive residents. The 2019 grant recipients will receive the funds at a special foundation distribution event at Faith Lutheran Church in Clive on Dec. 3. The award recipients, in alphabetical order, include:

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| • Best Buddies International | \$1,000 |
| • Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Iowa | \$500 |
| • Children and Families of Iowa | \$1,000 |
| • Clive Community Services | \$10,000 |
| • Clive Historical Society | \$3,000 |
| • Clive Lions Club | \$1,500 |
| • Des Moines Performing Arts | \$2,000 |
| • Family Promise of Greater Des Moines | \$1,000 |
| • Girl Scouts of Greater Iowa | \$1,125 |
| • Hospice of Central Iowa's <i>Every Step</i> | \$500 |
| • Junior Achievement of Central Iowa | \$1,000 |
| • On With Life Foundation | \$800 |
| • Opportunity On Deck | \$5,000 |
| • Orchard Place | \$1,500 |
| • Walnut Creek YMCA | \$1,000 |

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“As our board continues to serve the foundation mission, we cannot thank our donor base enough for their support and generosity,” Cirksena said. “This year we had a record number of applicants and the 15 recipients receiving CCF grant dollars underscore the fact that, working together, we all make a difference.”

The funds are distributed from three distinct CCF funding accounts. The CCF plays a key role in providing grants to non-profit organizations whose needs specifically align with the organization’s mission and priorities to strengthen the Clive and neighboring communities.

The primary areas of the Foundation’s focus include improving **Quality of Life** (investments in Clive’s greenbelt, parks and trails, public art and educational programming); **Community Health** (funding local outreach that benefits low-income Clive residents, including food assistance, nutrition and health management programs) and **Community Collaboration** (working with existing Clive organizations, neighboring cities and foundations).

Cirksena adds that donors can still plan to make 2019 year-end tax-deductible contributions. Additionally, dollars invested in CCF may also qualify for an Endow Iowa Tax Credit, thereby increasing the tax benefit for the donor and extending the foundation’s reach.

To learn more about CCF, visit <https://clivecommunityfoundation.org/>.

About Clive Community Foundation

The Clive Community Foundation (CCF) was formed in 2014 as an affiliate of the [Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines](#). The CCF is a conduit for residents, businesses and other stakeholders to donate funds for the betterment of the Clive community.

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