

## Fort Madison SIRRC

### Grants Awarded

<u>2002</u>	\$ 50,000	West Point Library
	<u>500,000</u>	YMCA-Ft. Madison
Subtotal	<u>\$550,000</u>	
<u>2003</u>	-0-	
<u>2004</u>		
	<u>\$ 50,000</u>	Lee Co. Fair Board
Subtotal	<u>\$ 50,000</u>	
<u>2005</u>		
	<u>\$ 16,000</u>	Pheasants Forever – Swan Project
Subtotal	<u>\$ 16,000</u>	
<u>2006</u>		
	\$ 8,000	Old Settlers
	<u>\$ 35,000</u>	Ft. Madison Parks & Rec – Central Park
Subtotal	<u>\$ 43,000</u>	
<u>2007</u>		
	\$ 65,000	Ft. Madison Police Tactical Unit
	\$ 48,500	SCC Training Facility
	\$ 50,000	Community Foundation of North Lee
	\$300,000	Ft. Madison Public Library
	<u>\$200,000</u>	FMEDC/Siemans
Subtotal	<u>\$663,500</u>	
<u>2008</u>		
	\$ 30,000	Ft. Madison Rotary - Central Park
	\$ 25,000	Lee Co. Fair Board
	\$ 30,000	Emma Cornelis House
	\$ 50,000	Community Foundation of North Lee
	<u>\$ 2,000</u>	Riverview Park - Upkeep
Subtotal	<u>\$137,000</u>	

2009

	\$100,000	Depot Project – Ft. Madison
	\$ 50,000	Community Foundation of North Lee
	<u>\$100,000</u>	Ft. Madison Partners
Subtotal	<u>\$250,000</u>	

2010

	\$100,000	Ft. Madison Partners
	\$ 25,000	FMEDC/Siemens
	\$100,000	FMEDC/Siemens
	<u>\$ 50,000</u>	Community Foundation of North Lee County
Subtotal	<u>\$275,000</u>	

2011

	\$138,000	Sheaffer Golf Course
	\$ 63,500	Ft. Madison Family YMCA
	\$ 25,000	North Lee County Community Foundation
	\$ 37,450	Sheaffer Pen Museum
	<u>\$1,250,000</u>	FM RecPlex (FMEDC)
	<u>\$1,513,950</u>	

2012

	\$ 100,000	Ft. Madison Partners
	\$ 16,000	Sheaffer Pen Museum (2 <sup>nd</sup> Payment)
	\$ 5,500	Ft. Madison Main Street
	<u>\$ 50,000</u>	Community Foundation of North Lee County
	<u>\$ 171,500</u>	

Total Awarded: \$3,669,950

## City of Keokuk 2012 Annual Report


### Southeast Iowa Regional Riverboat Commission

The City of Keokuk and the Keokuk Area Convention and Tourism Bureau again, wish to take this opportunity to highlight the many areas that are impacted by our portion of the discretionary funding provided through Southeast Iowa Regional Riverboat Commission. The twelve months of operations in 2012 produced over \$400,000.00 in revenues that were very critical to the City of Keokuk's budget. The funds made possible many current and ongoing projects that otherwise would have been underfunded or would have been delayed. This will summarize many of those projects and accomplishments.

- Assisted in the budget of Keokuk Area Convention and Tourism which organizes and supports community events such as Eagle Days, Civil War Reenactment, Mississippi Power Days, Rollin on the River Blues Festival, Geode Fest and many more. All of the local events draw thousands of visitors each year that add to our Tri-State and local area economies. The 2012 events were successful in producing an estimated \$275,000 in hotel/motel taxes. The occupancy tax revenue is used for promoting our Tri-State Area Tourism.
- Provided the City the ability to improve its firefighting capabilities through purchases of new apparatus and related equipment.
- Invested start-up capital for economic development projects that show potential for creating jobs and industrial growth in Keokuk and Lee County.
- Assistance in the Keokuk Union Depot project and general maintenance of the surrounding area.
- Corridor, street and sidewalk improvements.
- Continued rehabilitation and upgrades to several City parks and recreational areas including Walking/Bike Trails, High School Tennis Courts, Victory Park, Joyce Park, Rees Park, and the George M. Verity Museum .
- Supported the reconstruction of the Keokuk Airport Runway project.

The City of Keokuk, the Tourism Bureau and the Keokuk SIRRC Commissioners express our sincere gratitude in being a part of and sharing in the financial resources provided through Southeast Iowa Regional Riverboat Commission and the Catfish gaming operations. The funds continue to play an important role in our budgeting process, community events and vital City projects.

Respectfully,

  
Dave Schwarz  
Vice President

  
Mark Meinhardt  
Commissioner

Joe Steil  
Commissioner



Making Connections, Building Community

Chamber of Commerce  
Economic Development  
Convention & Visitors Bureau  
Downtown Partners

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### Current and Historical Accomplishments

#### 2012 Highlights Include

- The sale of shell building #4 to a local company positioned for a long-term growth strategy
- Creation of enhanced, engineered site plans for three lots within Flint Ridge Business Park
- Participated in a dozen domestic outbound marketing missions
- \$18,000 from the community investment line-item was directed towards the acquisition of a parking garage in Downtown Burlington which will result in the rehabilitation of a major downtown landmark- creating 58 upper story apartments and generating more than \$10 million in investment downtown.

#### Partnering for the Future Campaign

The current Partnering for the Future campaign, which is a five year strategic plan spanning 2009-2013, has produced the following results to date (Goals are listed first, following by current progress):

- 1,000 jobs – 740 jobs
- \$100 million in capital investment - \$90.14 million in capital investment
- 60 existing business visits each year– 88 made in 2012
- \$100 million per year in tourism expenditures - \$118.25 million reached in 2011
- 25 downtown residential units and 25 business units – 25 residential units completed or under construction, 46 business units added
- Retire RiverPark Place Mortgage – On target to retire in January 2013

#### Historical Accomplishments

Acquired 300 acres of well situated real estate, worked with the City of Burlington and West Burlington to develop necessary infrastructure, marketed and sold approximately 180 acres to businesses ranging from heavy manufacturing to retail. The assessed valuation in Flint Ridge Business Park now totals more than \$23 million, with property taxes generating more than \$957,000 per year.

Since inception, the organization has provided over \$1.14 million in community investments to enhance the community's quality of life. Funding recipients have included: RecPlex, Community Field, Frisbee Golf Courses, RiverPark Place, Grade A Plus, riverfront improvements, the Community Foundation of Des Moines County and the Beaverdale Highway Exchange, among others.

Have participated in locating the following manufacturing companies to Greater Burlington:

- Big River Resources Ethanol Plant
- Borghi USA
- COBO International
- Alfagomma America
- Tjaden Biosciences

Have assisted the following existing companies with job retention and capital expansions:

- Flint Cliffs Manufacturing
- Burlington Trailways
- Doran & Ward
- PPG
- Federal Mogul
- Case New Holland
- Industrial Service Corporation
- General Electric
- American Ordnance
- Winegard Company
- KPI Concepts
- Dresser-Rand
- Valley Distribution
- Baker's Pride
- Organized Fishing

Provided assistance to dozens of retail and service businesses in finding a location, navigating zoning and other critical issues and in some instances assisted in incentive negotiations with local units of government.