DUNS Number Now Replaced with UEI

The Federal Government previously required that all applicants for federal grants and cooperative agreements have a DUNS (Data Universal Numbering System). The government is now requiring all entities to replace that number with the Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) is a number issued by the System for Award Management (SAM) to identify businesses and other entities that do business with the federal government.

- All entities (people or organizations) that wish to do business with the federal government must register in the System for Award Management (SAM) at SAM.gov
- Businesses and grant or loan recipients must have an active SAM registration to receive federal funds (USDA funding, Community Development Block Grants, Assistance to Firefighter Grants)
- SAM registrations must be updated every 12 months to remain active
- There is NO Fee to register or renew UEI
- The UEI is a Unique entity ID which has replaced the DUNS number
- It is a 12-character alphanumeric value
- It is assigned, managed, and owned by the federal government.
- The number validates your organization's legal business name and address.

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CONGRATULATIONS NICHOLE MOORE!!!

Nichole was selected by her peers to be the 2023-2025 Chairperson for the Iowa Association of Council of Governments organization!

Moore was also voted to sit on the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) Board of Directors for 2024 –2026 term for the Central Chapter starting May 1st.

Broadband Service

The Iowa Department of Management, Office of the Chief Information Officer ("OCIO") previously announced the Broadband Intervention Zones would be established to prioritize future broadband funding. CVPD submitted information for each of the four counties in the region. OCIO evaluated successful responses to identify targeted communities for future grant funding. This will be critical as Governor Reynolds' Empower Rural Iowa Broadband Grant Program has issued seven funding opportunities for Broadband expansion in Iowa. Collectively, grant funding exceeding \$350 million



has been awarded to provide new Broadband service to unserved and underserved locations in Iowa. Upon completion, these Broadband projects will result in over \$680 million in new Broadband investment, serving an expected 109,000 homes, schools, and businesses in Iowa.

All 99 counties in Iowa submitted applications. Lucas County placed 29th, Appanoose County ranked 33rd, Monroe County finished 34th and Wayne County fell into the 36th place. More infor-

Prevailing Wage (Davis Bacon) Monitoring

The Davis-Bacon Act specifically establishes prevailing wages for projects that utilize federal funding. Prevailing wages in government construction projects are the average wages earned by workers in a particular area, as determined by federal, state, and local governments—through established survey methods. Prevailing wage laws require governments to pay workers performing government construction projects the predetermined wages regardless of what rates contractors would be willing to accept.

More specifically, the Davis-Bacon Act of 1931 and related federal acts require "that contractors and subcontractors performing on covered contracts pay la-



Davis-Bacon Labor Standards

- The term "labor standards" includes requirements of:
 - The Davis-Bacon Act;
 - Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145);
 - The prevailing wage provisions of the Davis-Bacon "related Acts;" and
 - DOL regulations at 29 CFR Part 1, 3, and 5.







borers and mechanics employed on the project jobsite not less than the prevailing wage rates (including fringe benefits) listed in the contract's Davis-Bacon wage determination for corresponding classes of laborers and mechanics."

CVPD COG performs this monitoring services for city and county projects. Common examples include infrastructure repairs funded through SRF, USDA, or IEDA. Current projects include Corydon wastewater project, Centerville wastewater & lagoon repairs, Milo wastewater repairs and most recently Cincinnati waste water project. The Moravia wastewater was recently completed. Should your community need assistance, please give us a call.

Legislative Presence

CVPD Council of Governments actively supports local governments and continues to be active in state government as well. Our office hosted Legislative Coffee at our office for two months. Local representatives/ senators had the opportunity to interact and gather information from constituents. Each session was well attended and covered topics of water quality, education, transportation issues, housing and economic development. Outreach was made by Rep. Austin Harris, Sen. Amy Sinclair, and Sen. Cherielynn Westrich. Director Moore also attended a community forum hosted by US Senator Joni Ernst.

The COG is also involved with the Iowa Council of Governments which is an affiliation of all 17 council of governments in the state. This committee attended a "Legislative Day" at the Iowa capital in Des Moines. Recently, CVPD Director Nichole, spent time in Washington D.C. at the NADO/DDAA conference representing Iowa. Discussions involved EDA re-authorization, Section 3 reporting, Transportation, etc.







Indian Hills Community College

Indian Hills Community College was awarded a \$725,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Commerce's Economic Development Administration (EDA) to help equip the career and technical education (CTE) wing of the new academic building being constructed on the Centerville Campus.

The EDA project will provide the equipment needed to facilitate effective training programs that will help meet regional demand for jobs in advanced manufacturing, agriculture, construction, healthcare, and transportation. IHCC estimates the project will help generate 110 jobs in Appanoose, Davis, Monroe, and Wayne counties over the next nine vears.

It has been exciting to see the dream come to fruition. The exterior of the structure is nearly completed and the interior has become the focus.



Thriving Communities Initiative

It's no secret that housing is the start for upward economic opportunity and that families, communities and businesses will thrive when all Iowans have access to homes they can afford.

The State of Iowa is estimated to need an additional 42,000 homes by 2030 to meet the demands of our robust economy. Meeting this need is going to require a strategic, proactive, and innovative effort to ensure that all Iowans have the opportunity to live in the communities where they work.

This is why the Iowa Finance Authority (IFA) and the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) are seeking to elevate best practices from communities that are going above and beyond to leverage innovative methods to attract hous-

ing development for their

workforce.

IFA and IEDA are pleased to introduce the first of its kind, Iowa Thriving Communities designation, which will provide communities with a chance to be recognized for their efforts.



A limited number of communities have received this designation, which comes with lucrative scoring points for the Federal Housing Tax Credit and/or Workforce Housing Tax Credit programs. The scoring will be available through the end of the year. For more information, visit Iowa-Thirving-Communities-Overview.pdf (welcomehomeia.com) or email: thriving@iowafinance.com.

CVPD PROJECTS BY COUNTY

Appanoose County

Ongoing transportation administration to county, county engineers, & transit providers; Davis Bacon monitoring Centerville water project & Cincinnati wastewater, meetings, document and approval; Moravia Sewer Project Monitoring; 5-2-1-0 Projects & Trainings; EDA conference & meeting, supportive efforts & meetings; hosted legislative coffee; CDBG trainings, NADO conference in Oklahoma City, OK.

Lucas County

Ongoing transportation administration to county, county engineers, & transit providers; submission of Broadband pre -application; EDA conference & meeting; City of Lucas Fire Department; CDBG trainings; NADO conference in Oklahoma City, OK.

Monroe County

Ongoing transportation administration to county, county engineers, & transit providers; County Transportation Brochures distributed; Albia Zoning Code Update; Albia Ordinance Code Update; submission of Broadband preapplication; EDA conference & meeting; CDBG trainings; NADO conference in Oklahoma City, OK.

Wayne County

Ongoing transportation administration to county, county engineers, & transit providers; ; County Transportation Brochures distributed; supportive services for housing development; HFI housing placement & meetings; Corydon waste water wage monitoring; Meeting with City of Corydon regarding streets & RR bridge;. submission of Broadband preapplication; EDA conference & meeting; CDBG trainings; NADO conference in Oklahoma City, OK.

For current information visit **CHARITON VALLEY PLANNING & DEVELOPOMENT** on Facebook or www.cvpdcog.com

Chariton Valley Transportation Planning Affiliation

10-15 TRANSIT RECEIVES 2023 EXCELLENCE IN REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AWARD

10-15 Transit in Ottumwa, Iowa was awarded the 2023 Excellence in Regional Transportation Award from the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) for their *Veteran's Transport* project. This project acknowledges that living in rural Iowa can make it difficult to access the high-quality Veterans medical care they deserve. Although there

may be many obstacles prohibiting Veteran's from obtaining medical care, distance and transportation are citied as being the most common challenge greater health care needs and lower health-related quality-of-life scores compared with urban veterans.



The local council of governments of Chariton Valley

Planning & Development who serve as transportation planners to the Chariton Valley Transportation Planning Affiliation (RPA17), 10-15 Transit and the local Veteran's Affairs offices of Appanoose, Wayne & Lucas Counties launched a transportation initiative in 2019 (FY 2020) to improve veteran's access to health care.

DOT DISADVANTAGE RISK AREAS

The United States Department of Transportation has launched a new interactive website that will benefit regions by identifying the most vulnerable populations. The <u>US DOT Equitable Transportation Community (ETC) Explorer</u> is an interactive web application that uses 2020 census tracts and data to explore the cumulative burden communities experience (as a result of underinvestment in transportation) and in the following five components: Transportation Insecurity, Climate and Disaster Risk Burden, Environmental Burden, Health Vulnerability, and Social Vulnerability.

Iowa DOT has determined that the competitive project selection process administered by each RPA must include a criterion to prioritize projects located in or impacting high-need areas such as low-income, transit-dependent, rural, or other areas deemed as high-need in the region.

In RPA 17 this is identified in the illustration and as:

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Planning Element Updates

PTP (Passenger Transit Planning)

Several public meetings will be held over the spring. These meetings allow for advisory members and public members to make recommendations for improved services for 10-15 Transit and Southern Iowa Trolley.

Southern Iowa Trolley Meeting
April 25, 2024
10AM

Osceola Chamber of Commerce

10-15 Transit Meeting May 9th, 2024 10AM

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LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION

Centerville Municipal Airport is in the process of resurfacing the runway in March 2024

Chariton Municipal Airport is in installing Jet Fuel tanks by utilizing an FAA grant. Since the Knoxville airport has been closed for remodeling, Chariton's airport has doubled their activity & income. The project will hopefully will retain some of the new patrons.

TRANSPORTATION ALTERNA-TIVE PROGRAM

TAP funding projects can include a variety of smaller-scale transportation projects such as pedestrian and bicycle facilities, recreational trails, safe routes to school projects, and community improvements such as historic preservation, vegetation management, and some environmental mitigation. **Applications are due DECEMBER 1 ANNU-ALLY.** Visit www.cvpdcog.com for more details.

OTHER PROJECTS: Moravia RR, Seymour RR, Corydon TEAP, Corydon Trails with Trees Forever, Albia Trails, Super 2 Studies on 34 & 63, Iowa Southern Rail Spur.

Source/Program	Funding Uses	Eligible Applications	Usual Due Date
Solid Waste Alternative Program	Emphasis for selected projects is placed on tonnage avoided or reduced, sustainability, & ability to replicate	Local governments, public & private groups	October 1, January 1, April 1 & July 1 Annually
Alliant Hometown Challenge Grants	Dollar-for-Dollar match to local fund- raising for one-time safety related projects for local response teams	Local governments, private non- profits	Rolling Cycle
CDBG Water & Sewer Fund	Grants to assist cities & counties with sanitary sewer improvements, water system improvements, wastewater treatment improvements, storm water improvements & rural water connections.	Cities & Counties	October 1, January 1, April 1 & July 1 Annually
Monroe County Endowment Funds	Charitable projects within the county	Non-Profit organizations	Fall
Iowa Living Roadways Com- munity Visioning Project	Planning & design resources to make meaningful transportation improve- ment to local landscape (including trails)	Cities with population of less than 10,000 and rural counties	September
Federal Recreational Trails	Development & maintenance of mo- torized & non-motorized recreational trails	Local governments & nonprofits	October
Statewide Transportation Enhancement	Enhancement transportation through trails, historic, archeological, scenic, or environmental projects	Local governments	October
Value-added Producer Grant	USDA funding for planning and work- ing capital for value-added agricultur- al products	Independent producers, farmer & rancher cooperatives, agricultural producer group, business venture	October
Iowa Water Trails Program	Projects related to current and future water trails areas	Local governments	October
Advertising Grant Program	CITR- Advertisements for a local event that will attract tourism to re- gion	Non-Profit organizations, county government, & private business in good standing with CITR	October
Heritage Tourism Grant Program	CITR- restoration, acquisition, labeling of Heritage Tourism Site	Non-Profit organizations, county government, & private business in good standing with CITR	October
Promotion Grant Program	CITR- design cost for websites, inter- active marketing, etc. related to local tourism	Non-Profit organizations, county government, & private business in good standing with CITR	October
Print Grant Program	CITR- costs associated with design & production of printed promotional brochures for local tourism	Non-Profit organizations, county government, & private business in good standing with CITR	October
Destination Iowa	Investment in projects to bolster the quality of life in Iowa's communities & attract visitors	Non-Profit organizations, county governments, private business	October
Fish Habitat Program	Fish habitat development projects and related improvements to fisheries, land acquisition for such projects	County Conservation Boards	November
Solid Waste Management Grant Program	USDA funds to help with various waste projects including studies & implementation	Communities with less than 10,000 residents; rural counties	December
RPA 17 Transportation Alter- native Program Grant	pedestrian and bicycle facilities, recre- ational trails, safe routes to school projects, and community improve- ments such as historic preservation, vegetation management	Entities & communities in Appa- noose, Clarke, Davis, Decatur, Lucas, Monroe & Wayne Counties	December 1 Annually
Pathfinders RC&D Revolving Loan Program	Creation, retention & expansion of small business and/or enterprise	Small business services of nature resource, value-added agricurl- ture, facilities/services for low- income, under employed or elder- ly. Appanoose, Davis, & Monroe County	Ongoing

CVPD MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS—CONTRACTED SERVICES

- Provide administrative, management assistance, Technical Assistance, Project Development
- Prepare updates to model codes, Assist local governments in preparation or revision of local ordinances.
- •Coordinate on new or updated comprehensive plans or other functional plans.
- •Prepare local government brochures, fact sheets, or other promotional materials.
- •If there is a service you need assistance with, just ask. We can provide outreach to consultants when needed.
- Transportation Planning
- •Grant Administration ,Community Assessments , Grant/Funding Alerts , Community Profiles , Funding Searches
- •Environmental Planning, Hazardous Mitigation Planning
- •Personnel Policy Development & Updates
- •Regional Planning Services Zoning

Some services require additional contract billing for costs. (Contact Nichole with questions)

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FUNDING DOWNTOWN PROJECTS

Many communities in the CVPD region are struggling to maintain the integrity of their historic downtown buildings. Below are potential funding opportunities that may assist with those projects:

<u>Community Catalyst Building Remediation Program</u>— assists with redevelopment, rehabilitation or deconstruction of buildings to stimulate economic growth and reinvestment in the community.

Downtown Housing Grant – assistance for projects supporting downtown revitalization through new & renovated housing options.

<u>Downtown Loan Guarantee Program</u>—encourages communities to reinvest & reopen stronger after COVID-19. The loan guarantee is for downtown revitalization projects.

Downtown Revitalization Fund CDBG - provides grants to communities for downtown façade improvements.

Derelict Building Program—Communities 5,000 & fewer can request financial assistance to address/rehabilitate neglected structures that have sat vacant for at least 6 months.

Historic Preservation & Cultural and Entertainment District Tax Credit Program— provides a state income tax credit for the sensitive, substantial rehabilitation of historic buildings.

<u>Nuisance Property & Abandon Building Remediation Loan Program</u>— Loan funds may be used for the demolition or remediation and reuse of residential, commercial or industrial structures.

<u>State Historic Preservation Office Grants</u> – Iowa State Historic Preservation Office provides a number of financial incentive opportunities to support building rehabilitation efforts.

<u>Workforce Housing Tax Credits</u>—Developers building, rehabilitating, or developing housing in downtown upper floor spaces in order to meet workforce housing needs may be eligible to receive certain state tax incentives.

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Thank you for reading our current newsletter, we hope you enjoyed it!.

Please share with others to enjoy as well!

Have a Fun and Safe Summer!



TROLLEY DRIVERS NEEDED AS WELL! CONTACT US IF INTERESTED!

PASSENGER TRANSIT PLANNING CENTERVILLE HISTORIC TROLLEY

LET HPC TROLLEY DO THE DRIVING!

Centerville's Historic Trolley service is provided by the Centerville Historic Preservation Corporation (HPC). The trolley provides services to Centerville& Appanoose County area. If you are looking for a unique way to travel book the trolley and enjoy! Narrated historic tours are available by appointment and tours can be customized to fit any group's needs. The trolley is frequently rented for weddings, events, and tour groups! The ADA accessible trolley is available year-round, and the bench seating accommodates 22 to 28 adults.

The valued volunteers of HPC along with CVPD work together on the historic transportation preservation trolley needs and scheduling. CVPD works on this as a cherished component of Chariton Valley Transportation Planning Affiliation planning efforts in the region. CVPD assists the corporation to ensure operation of the trolley for future uses.

If you looking for wedding, party or family gathering transportation—now is the time to book your dates. Call or text Nichole at 641-895-8812 to get more information about rates and times or email at: centervillehistorictrolley@gmail.com.

Fun Facts of Iowa

- lowa is the only state in the United States that has two vowels as its state abbreviation (IA)
 - Strawberry Point is the home of the world's largest strawberry
 - In the State of Iowa it is illegal for a mustache man to kiss a woman in public
- Iowa is home to the national hobo convention, which takes place every year in Britt in celebration of the American traveler
 - State Tree is the Oak