

NEWS RELEASE
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**Scott County Regional Authority Awards Nearly \$2.4 Million
bringing total funding since 1991 to over \$50 Million**

The Scott County Regional Authority (SCRA) announced today awards of nearly \$2.4 million for the spring 2008 grant cycle.

Several representatives spoke of the value and impact these awards will have for their organizations:

Kay Hall, Creative Arts Curriculum Specialist, Davenport Community School District, Central High School & J.B. Young Intermediate, \$32,880, Steel Drum Bands

Wanda Gardner, Director, LeClaire Community Library, \$6,170, Family Reading Encouragement Program

Dan Breidinger, Assistant Race Director, Cornbelt Running Club, \$25,000, 2008 Quad-City Times Bix 7 Mile Road Race Event

Event Host: Tom Swanson, General Manager, River Music Experience, \$20,000, computer technology upgrade and previous funding for Sound Lab, Performance Hall updates & River Music Theatre – Permanent Exhibit Area

The Authority received a total of 144 requests for funding totaling \$4,333,832. A total of \$2,383,938 was awarded to 89 projects benefiting residents of Scott County; \$809,126 to go to local schools; \$774,189 to local governments, and \$800,623 to various non-profit entities.

This brings SCRA funding since 1991 to \$50,303,198 for the benefit of people and organizations in our community.

The next grant cycle will be in the fall of 2008 with grant applications available September 1 and due to SCRA by October 1, 2008. The grant application will be available on the SCRA website: www.ScottCountyRegionalAuthority.com and also at the usual community sites.

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2008 Spring Cycle Grant Awards

EDUCATION APPLICANT / PROGRAM	AWARD
Bennett Community School District <i>Elementary - Library/Media Center upgrade</i>	18,000
Bettendorf Community School District <i>Hoover & Grant Wood Elementary - interactive white boards</i>	11,505
Bettendorf Community School District <i>Thomas Jefferson & Mark Twain Elementary & Maintenance Center - connection to City of Bettendorf fiber network</i>	43,477
Bettendorf Community School District <i>Food Service "Point of Sale" equipment</i>	52,942
Bettendorf Community School District <i>High School - Business Education technology update</i>	25,000
Bettendorf Community School District <i>Elementary Schools - 6+1 Writing Traits support materials</i>	6,825
Davenport Community School District <i>Blue Grass Elementary - new classroom computer workstations</i>	20,115
Davenport Community School District <i>Central High School & J.B. Young Intermediate - steel drum bands</i>	32,880
Davenport Community School District <i>J.B. Young Intermediate - Wellness Center & Fitness Lab</i>	9,882
Davenport Community School District <i>Grades 6-7 - Scientific Calculators</i>	39,000
Davenport Community School District <i>Adams Elementary - Computer Lab</i>	41,604
Davenport Community School District <i>Grades 3-5 - Read About Technology Program</i>	70,524
Davenport Community School District <i>Fillmore Elementary - equipment for 3rd grade beginning strings</i>	7,515
Diocese of Davenport - All Saints Catholic School <i>Playground resurfacing</i>	24,000
Diocese of Davenport - Lourdes Catholic School <i>Handicap Accessible Bathroom Renovation</i>	44,867
Durant Community School District <i>Elementary - SuccessMaker program</i>	20,850
Durant Community School District <i>Preschool Program - classroom equipment & supplies</i>	11,932
Eastern Iowa Community College District <i>Technologies & equipment to meet the expectations of the local job market</i>	20,435
Eastern Iowa Community College District <i>Sustainable Energy Center</i>	50,000
Marquette Academy <i>Security System</i>	9,540
Mississippi Bend Area Education Agency <i>Second Chance Reading materials</i>	10,000
North Scott Community School District <i>Junior High - Video Surveillance System</i>	58,380
North Scott Community School District <i>Orchestra expansion</i>	14,577

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EDUCATION

APPLICANT / PROGRAM	AWARD
North Scott Community School District <i>Edward White Elementary - Read Naturally Program</i>	8,400
North Scott Community School District <i>Alan Shepard Elementary - Special Education Assistive Technology</i>	3,630
Pleasant Valley Community School District <i>Junior High - Improving Mathematical Problem Solving</i>	57,246
Pleasant Valley Community School District <i>High School - Library Security System</i>	12,000
Pleasant Valley Community School District <i>Instruments for Orchestral Strings Program</i>	34,000
St. Ambrose University <i>Center for Health Sciences Education</i>	25,000
Western Illinois University <i>Distance Learning Classroom - construction & equipment</i>	25,000
TOTAL EDUCATION	\$809,126

GOVERNMENT

APPLICANT / PROGRAM	AWARD
Bettendorf Parks & Recreation <i>Dog Park - irrigation system</i>	5,000
Bettendorf, City of <i>Event Center</i>	166,667
Blue Grass, City of <i>New Public Safety Building - Engineering Fees</i>	50,000
Davenport Parks & Recreation <i>People in Motion free family series and equipment upgrade to Collins House</i>	32,000
Davenport Public Library <i>Eastern Branch - Large Community Meeting Room</i>	125,000
Durant, City of <i>Lighting for softball fields</i>	45,000
Eldridge Park Board <i>Sewer line for restroom facility</i>	11,625
Family Museum <i>"Kidtastic" Calendar of Events and Programs</i>	19,000
LeClaire Community Library <i>Family Reading Encouragement Program</i>	6,170
Maysville, Town of <i>Emergency generator</i>	20,000
McCausland Fire Department <i>Jaws of Life</i>	25,000
New Liberty Volunteer Fire Department <i>4X4 Brush Truck Replacement</i>	50,000
Princeton Fire & Rescue <i>Emergency generator</i>	32,551
Putnam Museum & IMAX Theatre <i>"Climate Change Show" exhibit and programming</i>	50,000

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Scott County EMS Association <i>Equipment enhancement</i>	89,929
Scott County Sheriff's Department <i>Defensive Tactics Training Mats</i>	6,247
WQPT-TV <i>Video Server</i>	40,000
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	\$774,189

NON-PROFIT

APPLICANT / PROGRAM	AWARD
American Red Cross of the Quad Cities <i>Technology update</i>	16,504
Ballet Quad Cities <i>New costumes to complete "Nutcracker" ballet</i>	17,500
Bethany for Children & Families <i>IT equipment upgrade and billing software package</i>	14,208
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Mississippi Valley <i>Computer Lab - Davenport Club</i>	16,000
Center for Alcohol & Drug Services, Inc. <i>Fire & smoke alarm system replacement</i>	21,200
Christian Care <i>Rescue Mission - new windows, dining room & recreation furniture</i>	14,500
Churches United of the Quad City Area <i>Winnie's Place renovation & expenses</i>	2,400
Community Action of Eastern Iowa <i>Playground at Horizon Homes</i>	23,000
Community Health Care, Inc. <i>Pediatric Medical and Dental Equipment</i>	40,000
Cornbelt Running Club <i>2008 Quad-City Times Bix 7 Mile Road Race Event</i>	25,000
Ecumenical Housing Development Group <i>Horizon Homes Community Service Building</i>	20,000
Edgerton Women's Health Center, Inc. <i>LARC - free program</i>	27,885
Family Resources, Inc. <i>Domestic Violence Shelter - air conditioning replacement</i>	40,000
Friendly House <i>Friendly Kid's Corner - kitchen upgrade</i>	12,490
Hand In Hand <i>Fitness for Children & Families with Special Needs</i>	5,120
Handicapped Development Center <i>"A Future of Opportunities" Capital Campaign</i>	40,000
Kaaba Shriners - Shriners Hospitals for Children <i>Van to transport children to Shrine Hospitals</i>	19,000
Meal Service of Scott County, Inc. <i>Donor Meals</i>	10,000

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NON-PROFIT APPLICANT / PROGRAM	AWARD
MidCoast Fine Arts <i>Bucktown Center for the Arts - Capital Campaign</i>	20,000
Mississippi Valley Track Club <i>Equipment & uniforms for youth track club</i>	2,500
Niabi Zoological Society <i>Wolf Ridge Grill</i>	25,000
Opportunities Never Ending Foundation <i>Utility, rent, training & household furnishing assistance</i>	16,700
Project Renewal <i>Tree trimming</i>	1,000
Quad Citians Affirming Diversity (QCAD) <i>Teen Recreation Area</i>	3,500
Quad Cities Interfaith <i>Translation equipment for imigrant outreach</i>	2,100
Quad City Arts <i>Visiting Artist Series - World Culture Across Continents</i>	25,000
Quad City Symphony Orchestra <i>"A New Frontier" Season Sponsor</i>	20,000
River Center Adler Theatre <i>Sound equipment enhancement</i>	27,005
River Music Experience <i>Computer technology upgrade</i>	20,000
Safer Foundation <i>Technology upgrade</i>	13,666
Salvation Army <i>Family Service Center - window replacement</i>	25,000
Schuetzenpark Gilde <i>Festival Grounds enhancements</i>	5,000
Scott County Family Y <i>Bettendorf Family YMCA Expansion</i>	40,000
Scott County Housing Council <i>Rehabilitation of single & multi-family housing units</i>	99,350
Skills, Inc. <i>Network server & computer upgrade</i>	19,995
The Student Food Drive <i>"Bag Hunger" project</i>	5,000
Vera French Community Mental Health Center <i>Practice Analytics Software</i>	40,000
Vera French Housing Corporation <i>Land acquisition for Vera French Court, supported housing</i>	25,000
TOTAL NON-PROFIT	\$800,623
Total 2008 Spring Cycle Grant Awards	\$2,383,938