

2013 LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND

Congress approved an apportionment of \$524,720.00 for the State Of Iowa. One half of Iowa's apportionment, \$262.360.00 is available to cities and counties for outdoor recreation acquisition and development projects.

A total of 25 applications were received by the March 15, 2012 deadline. Grant requests for the 25 applications totaled \$1,372,257.43 for a variety of activities including general park improvements, campground developments, playgrounds and land acquisitions. (Some applications included aspects that fit into more than one of the previous listed areas).

A five member committee reviewed the 25 applications and scored/ranked them based on the following criteria:
 Relationship to SCORP Priorities (Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan)
 Direct Recreation Benefits Provided
 Local Need
 Quality of the Site

Additional bonus points and penalty points are also included in the scoring system. They are based on such things as level of prior assistance from the LWCF; special features for the elderly and handicapped; minority populations served; degree of public participation and supports; recycled content material use; and level of planning that has preceded the application for a LWCF grant.

On May 9, 2013 the Natural Resource Commission approved the ranking from the Review Committee. After the appropriation letter was received, it was determined that the top 2 projects were approved for full funding.

Grant Applicant	Project	Grant Request	Total Cost	Score (Ave)	Grant Award
Pottawattamie County Conservation Board	Botna Bend Park Improvements	\$87,000	\$660,846.00	74.25	\$87,000
Story County Conservation Board	Dakins Lake Expansion - Phase 2	\$175,000	\$375,000.00	73.6	\$175,000
Polk County Conservation Board	Fort Des Moines Park Outdoor Classroom	\$120,000	\$781,500.00	71.8	
Fayette	Fayette-Volga River Multi-Use Trail	\$75,000	\$200,490.21	70.5	
Rolfe	Rolfe Bathhouse Construction	\$50,000	\$100,000.00	69.6	
Mount Ayr	Mount Ayr Aquatic Center	\$75,000	\$2,226,000.00	68.2	
Adams County Conservation Board	Campground Improvements	\$75,000	\$861,435.00	66.2	
Belmond	City park play equipment	\$17,000	\$34,000.00	66.2	
Jasper County Conservation Board	Ashton Wildwood Park Renovation	\$67,100	\$134,200.00	66.2	
Crawford County Conservation Board	Yellow Smoke Park Cabins	\$50,340	\$100,680.00	66.1	
Page County Conservation Board	Pierce Creek Recreation Area Improvements	\$29,100	\$58,200.00	65	

Stanhope	City of Stanhope park improvements	\$9,887	\$19,775.00	64.4	
Redfield	Redfield RRVT Shelterhouse	\$22,350	\$44,700.00	63.6	
Quasqueton	Veteran's Memorial Park shower & restroom facility	\$49,500	99,000.00	63.4	
Bondurant	Chichaqua Valley Trail Expansion	\$75,000	\$864,838.00	63	
Johnston	Terry Park/Crown Point Project	\$125,000	\$5,200,000.00	62.75	
Fredericksburg	Meinerz Dairyland Swimming pool reconstruction - Phase I	\$50,000	102,756.00	61.6	
Schleswig	Schleswig campgroung improvements		\$30,300.00	59.8	
Corydon	Walden Park Renovation		\$31,319.00	57.2	
Hopkinton	Hopkinton Zero Depth Pool Entry		\$130,000.00	57.2	
Garnavillo	Adams Court Park Project		\$45,008.00	56.2	
Glidden	Northland Park Walking Trails		\$250,000.00	50.8	
Primghar-golf course	Renovate and upgrade city campground		47,092.00	50.8	
Lee County Conservation Board	Neotropical bird habitat project/Turkey Run		\$12,601.51	49.8	
Primghar-city campground	Irrigation pump station replacement		\$35,000.00	37.4	