

Regional Development Authority Annual Report 2022

*Vision for a vibrant,
inclusive, and growing
community*



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Letter from the President/CEO

For over 30 years, RDA has contributed to our community's vision for its own future. The cover of this report includes projects that have been funded, but are not yet complete. RDA has the flexibility to fund a wide range of projects, from wet lands restoration at Nahant Marsh to a public park honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. From financial literacy development at Junior Achievement to artistic expression at the Ballet Quad Cities. In this report you will see many of the projects RDA has supported, meet our Board members, and see our overall financial contribution to the Quad Cities.

Since 1991, the Regional Development Authority (RDA) has awarded over \$85 million through 4,511 grants. This major funding stream to benefit Scott County people is made possible by Iowa's gaming legislation that establishes a local nonprofit organization as a gaming license holder with a casino operating partner. In this arrangement, RDA is the Qualified Sponsoring Organization (QSO) – or license holder – for Rhythm City Casino Resort in Davenport, Iowa. By contract, RDA receives a share of the gaming revenue generated at Rhythm City Casino. In 2022, through this arrangement RDA was able to award \$5,028,663 in grant funding. RDA's contract with Rhythm City Casino also secured another \$2.2 million in 2022 for the City of Davenport and the Downtown Davenport Partnership.

RDA is led by an 18 member volunteer Board of Directors who oversees our operations, reviews all grant applications each year, and decides how to allocate funds to make the biggest impact. It's not a small task, and so I am always grateful that our Board members take on that work. In this report, you can learn about the experiences and interests of the members of RDA's Board.

RDA Board members often say that reading and scoring grant applications every year helps them to learn more about our community... and gain a far greater appreciation for the work of the nonprofit sector. RDA makes grants that impact our Quad Cities region through economic development, human services, arts, culture, and education projects. Our grants support capital development, grassroots volunteer efforts, innovative approaches to community challenges, and a wide range of community projects and events. You can learn about RDA's grant opportunities by going to our website as www.rdauthority.org. This annual report highlights some of those grant awards and provides the full list of grants made in 2022.

Respectfully,
Matt Mendenhall, PhD, MSW
President/CEO
Regional Development Authority





A.J. Loss, Chair of the Board

A.J. Loss is President/CEO of Bush Construction. He has over 30 years' experience in the construction industry. AJ is a proud and active member of the Quad Cities community where he resides with his wife and three children. He has served as Chair of the Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce, Master Builders of Iowa, Associated General Contractors of the QC, Our Savior Lutheran Church's Building and Grounds Committee, Development Association of Rock Island (DARI), and Regional Development Authority. He is a member of the Regional Opportunities Council (ROC) of the QC Chamber of Commerce, Architectural Review Committee of Greater Davenport Redevelopment Corporation (GDRC), and Young President's Organization (YPO). He was also a member and a Workforce Subcommittee Co-Chair of Governor Reynolds' Economic Recovery Advisory Board. AJ has a personal passion in helping grow and advance the Quad Cities region.

Steve Geifman, Vice Chair of the Board

Steven R. Geifman, President and Managing Partner of Geifman First Equity. Steve, a native of Bettendorf, graduated from Bettendorf High School and Indiana University with a degree in Public Affairs and Finance. Steve serves on various boards and volunteer positions; Board of Directors – Quad City Bank And Trust Company, Chairman – Quad Cities Chamber Foundation, Board Member – Congregation Beth Israel at The Tri City Jewish Center, Vice Chair – RDA (Riverboat Development Authority), Board of Directors – Crow Valley Country Club, Member of the Genesis Health Systems Finance Committee, Director – G.I.F.T. (Geifman Iowa Family Trust), Past Board of Directors – Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce, Past Board member Jewish Federation of the Quad Cities, and 2012 Quad City 40 under 40 recipients. Steve and his wife Joni live in Bettendorf with their two kids, Ethan and Stella.



Nancy Chapman, Secretary of the Board

As a resident of the Quad Cities for over 30 years, I am excited to join the RDA Board, an organization that supports so many initiatives in our community. I worked as a CPA in public accounting and finance department of CBS News in New York City. I joined Lee Enterprises in 1989 and left Lee as the CFO of the Broadcast Group when Lee sold the Group in 2000. I served as Project Manager for the Scott County Family Y for about two years while the Y added three new branches. Current community service: 1) Board and Finance Committee for the YMCA of the Iowa Mississippi Valley for about 25 years ; 2) Finance Committee of CASI for 10 years; and 3) Finance Committee of First Presbyterian Church, Davenport. I've been active in various roles at the church for 30 years.

Sue Daley, Treasurer of the Board

Sue is a lifelong resident of the Quad Cities. She retired in 2020, after 40 years in the banking industry, including 6 years as CEO of Walcott Trust and Savings Bank. She served as a Board member for the Mississippi Valley Bankers Association, an Advisory Council member to the Superintendent of Banking Board, and a Member of the Scott County Condemnation Jury. Sue has been an active volunteer with Junior Achievement, United Way, Nahant Marsh and the Scott County Library in Walcott. She currently serves as Board Treasurer for RDA. Sue has a passion for children and animals, adopting her beloved dog from the Scott County humane society. In her free time, she loves to travel and spend time with her family, especially her granddaughter.



Danielle Hines

Danielle Hines is a Financial Advisor with an Accredited Asset Management Specialist designation at Edward Jones. Working in the financial industry she holds a Series 7 and Series 66 license and uses her strong understanding and expertise in investments, financial planning, and taxation to help clients and the community. Born and raised in the Quad Cities, Danielle considers it a great opportunity to serve on the Regional Development Authority. She also serves on the North Scott Rotary Board and as the club Secretary for the Moline Pilot Club. Additionally, she is an active member at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church. In her free time Danielle enjoys spending time with her husband and two kids, hiking, traveling, working out and volunteering in the community.

Sean Moeller

Sean Moeller, a former Quad City Times staff writer, founded the music website Daytrotter in 2004 and ran it for 10 years. He has opened five different music venues in the Quad Cities over the years, including Codfish Hollow, Raccoon Motel and The Rust Belt. He continues to book and promote touring artists at the Raccoon Motel in downtown Davenport and at Codfish Hollow barn in rural Maquoketa. He and his wife live in Davenport with their four children.





Michael Cole

Michael retired as a Cpl. Police Detective in 2009 after 30 years with the Davenport Police Department, including years as the Davenport Community Schools Police Liaison Officer. He worked as Security Supervisor at Keystone Academy with at-risk youth. Michael is currently Program Director for the Youth Advocate Program in Davenport. He served on many community boards, including RDA. He served as 3rd Vice President of the Davenport Branch of NAACP.

He is President of 100 Black Men Quad Cities, a nonprofit that provides mentoring for future leaders at the middle and high schools in Davenport and Rock Island. He volunteers for community events, particularly involving reducing Gun Violence and Hate Crimes. Michael has been a Diversity Trainer for the City of Davenport. Michael and his wife have been married for over 43 years and have 9 children and many grandchildren.

Fran Maus

Fran Maus is co-owner of Me & Billy Kitchen and Bar in downtown Davenport, IA. By day, she is an executive assistant at Deere & Company in Moline, IL. With a B.S. in Hotel, Restaurant, and Institution Management from Iowa State University, Fran opened Me & Billy in November 2013 with her family. She is involved with nearly all aspects of the business, from social media to payroll to menu creation and everything in between. Fran serves as a board member for the Regional Development Authority. She has been involved with Dress for Success Quad Cities, Junior League of the Quad Cities, and St. Patrick Society of the Quad Cities, as well as volunteering with many charitable organizations in the community.



Dennis Naranjo

Dennis Naranjo was born in Quito, Ecuador and came to USA in 2006. He played professional soccer in Ecuador before coming to the states, but he was injured so he focused on his career. He obtained an A.S. Degree from Richland College in Dallas, TX, and a B.S. and M.B.A. Degrees in Finance from Ashford University in Clinton, IA. He is currently a Commercial Lending Officer with DuTrac Community Credit Union. He has served in various BODs and committees such as RDA, QC Community Foundation, Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Sister Cities of Davenport. Dennis is an Officer in Army National Guard and has been serving for 13 years. He is currently the commander of HHC 334th BSB located in Cedar Rapids, IA. In addition, he is an entrepreneur owning rental properties, manufacturing, and entertainment businesses. Dennis has 3 kids, and he enjoys coaching and playing soccer and spending time with family and friends.

Rickey Peer

Rickey is a retired Senior Manager and career US Army Civilian for the Joint Munitions Command at Rock Island Arsenal. He retired in 2018 after 40 years of service and continues work as a Minority Recruitment Consultant for the Business Staffing of America. Having resided in the Quad City area for over forty years, Rickey is committed to this community, serving multiple organizations across Scott County. He currently serves as a BIG mentor and Board member for Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Mississippi Valley. Rickey is a member of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Mu Chi Lambda Alumni Chapter and previously served on Davenport's Section 8 Housing Commission. Rickey has a passion for working with youth and developing young leaders. He serves on the University of Arkansas Youth Motivation Task Force (YMTF) preparing college students for the workforce. Rickey and his wife, Lisa, reside in Davenport, Iowa. They have three children, Ryshawn, Andrea, and Darian.



Katie Selden

Katie Selden is a Lecturer at St. Ambrose University in the Teacher Education Program where she has worked for 10 years. Prior to her current role she was Principal at Lourdes Catholic School, Dean of Students at Assumption High School, and taught elementary and middle school in Minnesota. She graduated from Bettendorf High School and returned to Bettendorf after 10 years in St. Paul, MN. Her passion for the community has offered opportunities to volunteer as a Client Advocate at Women's Choice Center, to participate as a member of the Family Museum Board of Trustees, plus help with ministry at St. John Vianney and Lourdes Catholic Church. She resides with her husband and 3 daughters in Bettendorf. Former committee member at the Quad Cities Community Foundation: current member of the Piranhas Swim Team Board and an active USA Swimming Official.

Suteesh Tandon

Experienced Top management executive/Chief Financial Officer with a demonstrated history of working in the higher education industry as well as the Corporate world. Skilled in Nonprofit Organizations, Business Planning, Customer Service, Business Process Improvement, and Forecasting. Strong General manager and finance professional. Chartered Accountant from Institute Of Chartered Accountants Of India.





Sherwin Robinson

Sherwin is a Davenport native, father of four, and grandfather of 15. He has been a Barber for over 25 years and owner of 4 Sher Cut & Style Barbershop for 20 years. As a Barber, he founded “Medicine In the Barbershop” that provides information and focus groups about health and wellness, in partnership with UnityPoint Health Trinity Hospital. He also founded, in partnership with Davenport Community School District an organization called ASWAS Inc. (A System Within A System) that covers topics such as economics, education, financial literacy, health and wellness, justice system, and real estate. Sherwin serves as a Deacon at his church, on the African American Leadership Society, Scott County Board Of Health Department, and Local School Improvement Advisory Committee in Davenport. .He enjoys embracing his spirituality, meditating, singing, running and working out. I love being a father, grandfather, and family gatherings. To top it all off, I love giving back by serving others.

Sam Skorepa

Samuel J. Skorepa is a Partner at Lane & Waterman LLP, having started the practice of law in 2010. Sam focuses primarily on estate planning, probate, and trust administration as well as real estate transactions and development. He also assists non-profit and for-profit corporations, limited liability companies, and other entities with formation, structure, and advises on general business, contractual issues, mergers and acquisitions, governance, due diligence, and compliance. Sam is very active in the Quad Cities community, currently serving as Board Chair of the Center for Alcohol and Drug Services, Board Chair of the Robert Young Center, Board Secretary of the Figge Art Museum, Board Member of the Regional Development Authority, a United Way Young Leader, a Past President of the Quad Cities Estate Planning Council, and Tax Preparer for the IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program. He resides in Bettendorf with his wife, Abbey, and daughters, Ella and Kailani.



Beth Tinsman

After a decade at IBM, Beth established Twin State Technical Services in 1992 to provide useful and welcoming technology engineering and services. Today, the company has 60 engineers and programmers serving approximately 400 commercial and non-profit organizations. Beth was recognized in 2018 as one of the top ten women in technology in Iowa. Twin State also received the 2020 Business of the Year award from the QC Chamber of Commerce and in 2022 was recognized as Best of Region from the QC Regional Business Journal in best IT Support and Website /App Development. Beth is a committed community member and currently serves on boards for Northwest Bank and Trust, the QC Chamber of Commerce, the Regional Development Authority, and the YMCA of the Mississippi Valley. An active CEO, Beth is also an adjunct educator at St. Ambrose University in the Computer Science Department.



Maria Waterman

Maria and her husband, Thomas Waterman, reside in Pleasant Valley, Iowa. Maria Waterman has been an attorney practicing in the Quad Cities for over 30 years. She and her husband have four daughters. Maria has been a member of numerous charitable boards throughout the community including and she presently serves on the board of Café on the Vine and Operation Empower. Maria is and has been actively engaged in the community assisting those in need on a one on one basis as people cross her path that she can help personally.



Dana Wilkinson

Dana recently retired from her profession as an interior designer and part owner of Paragon Commercial Interiors, Inc., the business she began 39 years ago in Davenport Iowa. Dana is a lifelong Iowan, growing up in Forest City Iowa, graduating from Iowa State University, and after a few years living in Chicago, returned with her husband Mark to raise their family in the Quad Cities. Dana's current community and board service includes: Figge Art Museum; Downtown Davenport Partnership; John Deere Classic; Putnam Museum & Science Center; YMCA of the Iowa Mississippi Valley; Iowa State University College of Design Advancement Council; RDA; Trinity Regional Health System; US Bank Advisory Board. In addition to a strong belief in community service, Dana is a devoted mother of two amazing and successful children along with their amazing and successful spouses, and grandmother "Gigi" to 5 amazing and wonderful grandchildren.

LaDrina Wilson

Dr. LaDrina Wilson, founder and CEO of Iman Consulting, is a Leadership Trainer and Coach, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Consultant, Professional Development Speaker, and a highly sought-after community leader and advisor. She is deeply committed to inspiring true inclusive leadership and was recently named, Quad Cities Regional Business Journal's 2022 Most Influential Leader in the Region. She has a true passion for fostering authentic conversations and has led the development of Iman's approach to creating tailored DEI strategies and initiatives that effect change. Her service and her executive leadership have prepared her to meet the needs of diverse industries that seek to grow their leadership pipeline and improve their inclusion practices. LaDrina currently holds executive leadership roles with the Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce as its CEO, Quad Cities Community Foundation as its Vice Board Chair, and the Regional Development Authority as a Board Member.





Jean Dickson, *ex officio*

Jean Dickson is an *ex officio* RDA Board member from Scott County Board of Supervisors. She is a partner at the law firm of Betty, Neuman & McMahon in Davenport. Jean specializes in workers' compensation defense and appeals. Jean has been active in community service through her career, having served on numerous boards including Camp Shalom, CASI, Catholic Endowment of Bettendorf, Iowa, Inc., and Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Council. She is a former president of both the Scott County Bar Association and the Iowa Association of Workers' Compensation Lawyers, Inc. She served on the Pleasant Valley Community School District Board of Directors. She currently sits on the Bettendorf Civil Service Commission and is a member of the Bettendorf Rotary. Jean is married to Greg Vens, and together they have six children. They reside in Bettendorf. Greg is a senior engineer for Parr Instrument Company in Moline, Illinois.

Kyle Gripp, *ex officio*

Kyle Gripp is the Director of Quality Assurance at the Rock Island Arsenal-JMTC. Kyle has also served as the Alderman At-Large for the city of Davenport since 2016. Kyle also serves on the Greater Davenport Redevelopment Corporation (GDRC), is liaison to the Davenport Riverfront Improvement Commission, and is on the board member of the Davenport Central Hall of Honor. Kyle volunteers his time teaching a government class at the 180 Zone, teaching 3rd graders at Eisenhower Elementary through Junior Achievement, and coaching baseball at Southeast Little League. Kyle and his wife Abby live in Davenport and have four children. Kyle enjoys seeing how the RDA is able to support all of the great nonprofits in Scott County.



Grant Highlights 2022

The RDA aims to fund a wide range of grant requests, from physical structures to grassroots volunteer efforts. We support economic development, human services, and our community's capacities for education, arts, and culture. Our mission is to strategically fund initiatives that create a vibrant, inclusive, and growing community. We look for projects that build new capacities in the Quad Cities, provide a financial bridge to a better future, and generate opportunities for people to work together for the greater good. This part of the report provides examples for many of the types of grants we are proud of.

American Legion Post 711

New Blue Grass Post 711 handicap accessible ramp for veterans, families, and community use.



Ballet Quad Cities

Building Ballet Quad Cities Better by purchasing a building at 1611-5th Avenues in downtown Moline in support of the Ballet Quad Cities' mission of enriching and inspiring lives and building our arts community through the transformative power of ballet.





City of Bettendorf, with YMCA

In Spring of 2023, the City of Bettendorf, in partnership with the YMCA of the Iowa Mississippi Valley, will break ground on a brand new 21-million-dollar community water park, and permanent ice rink. The facility will serve an expected 120,000 visitors per year and will be open in late Spring 2024



Figge Art Museum

An upcoming light sculpture, *Evanescent Field*, by internationally renowned artist, Leo Villareal, which will brilliantly illuminate the glass structure of the Figge and the Davenport skyline.



City of Buffalo

The Terry Adams Memorial Park Band Shelter project is an effort to promote music and entertainment within our community. We believe that music encourages creativity, leadership, and discipline. The new facility will allow the community the opportunity of connection and to enjoy these talents. The City of Buffalo is grateful for the support from the local Park Board and RDA for making the vision materialize.



Habitat for Humanity

Retrofitting a bathroom to make it accessible for a low income elderly homeowner to age in place.



Eldridge Police Department

8 New patrol laptops to be used in police squad cars at Eldridge Police Department



Humble Dwellings

Beds help make a house a home for those in need.



Humility Homes & Services

Humility Homes & Services was able to leverage \$4 million to purchase 57 affordable housing units. The WES run by Humility Homes and Services used RDA funds to create the new onsite overflow shelter.



Long Grove Community Center



New and improved Long Grove Community Center floor. In our efforts to focus on rentals (after Covid stopped our Strawberry Festival) RDA was provided grant funding for new flooring.

Junior Achievement of the Heartland



The JA Inspiration Center provides a place to expand life-changing opportunities for students to apply learned concepts in a real-life simulated setting to find their pathway to success.



Lincoln Resource Center

Back office support, Bridge grant and our CoWork space were game changers for TMBC Lincoln Resource Center. These grants allowed us to immediately make impact and stay mission focused on empowering and educating our youth, families and community through opportunity.



Nahant Marsh

Nahant Marsh's 60 acre acquisition in 2022 will allow them to create several miles of new public trails while protecting this unique wetland ecosystem.



Putnam Museum and Science Center

Putnam Museum and Science Center Entry graphics for the Putnam's updated regional history exhibit, which will help ensure that all Quad-Citians recognize themselves in our history while learning about their neighbors, helping to build a strong community identity.



MLK Park Project

We are incredibly grateful to RDA for awarding the MLK Park Project a grant of \$125,000! With these dollars we are that much closer to creating this beautiful community park.



River Bend Foodbank

River Bend Foodbank's new cooler/freezer doubles the amount of space available at the Davenport warehouse to safely store and distribute fresh, healthy foods like produce, dairy products, and frozen proteins. In 2022, the Food Bank distributed over 16 million meals across 23 counties.



2022 Regional Development Authority Grants

(#) Number of grants made to the organization

100 Black Men Quad Cities, Inc	\$30,000	FRIENDS OF DAVENPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY	\$150,000
Association of Fundraising Professionals	\$5,000	Friends of MLK, INC	\$125,000
Augustana College	\$20,000	Friends of the Quad Cities (2)	\$100,000
Backwater Gamblers WaterSki Club, Inc.	\$26,000	German American Heritage Center	\$6,000
Ballet Quad Cities (2)	\$117,000	GiGi's Playhouse Quad Cities	\$5,000
Batting for Kids	\$10,000	Girl Scouts of E. IA and W. IL	\$25,000
Beasley's Downtown Boxing Club	\$4,200	Habitat for Humanity Quad Cities	\$18,380
Bethany for Children & Families	\$48,174	Hand In Hand	\$20,000
Bettendorf Public Library Foundation	\$25,000	Handicapped Development Center (2)	\$44,768
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Mississippi Valley (2)	\$35,000	Heart of Hope Ministries	\$10,000
Blue Grass American Legion Post #711	\$3,800	Hot Glass Inc.	\$5,000
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Mississippi Valley (2)	\$26,000	Humane Society of Scott County	\$5,000
Cafe On Vine	\$14,800	Humble Dwellings (2)	\$60,285
Center for Active Seniors, Inc.	\$50,000	Humility Homes and Services, Inc.	\$169,366
Children's Therapy Center of the QC (2)	\$14,717	Illowa Council, Boy Scouts of America (2)	\$32,500
City of Bettendorf, Iowa (\$1 million commitment over 5 years)	\$0	Iowa College Access Network	\$10,000
City of Blue Grass	\$9,577	Iowa Healthiest State Initiative	\$12,500
City of Buffalo	\$38,000	Iowa Jobs for America's Graduates	\$20,000
City of Eldridge Police Department	\$31,825	Iowa Legal Aid	\$10,000
Clock, Inc	\$5,500	Jewish Federation of the Quad Cities	\$15,000
Common Chord	\$20,000	Junior Achievement of the Heartland	\$100,000
Community Action of Eastern Iowa	\$15,900	Keep Scott County Beautiful	\$4,000
Community Health Care, Inc.	\$40,000	Kinnas House Of Love Inc. (2)	\$13,000
Davenport Central Vocal Music Boosters	\$5,500	LeadHer	\$10,000
DAVENPORT, CITY OF/CITIBUS	\$25,000	Living Lands & Waters	\$12,500
Dress for Success Quad Cities (2)	\$35,000	Living Proof Exhibit	\$5,000
Empower House	\$5,000	LivWell Cares	\$20,000
EveryChild (2)	\$17,500	Long Grove Community Center	\$4,936
Family Museum (2)	\$45,000	Lotus Blossoms Inc	\$5,000
Family Resources (2)	\$100,000	Midwest Writing Center	\$11,000
Figge Art Museum (\$1 million commitment over 5 years)	\$100,000	Mississippi Bend AEA Special Events Committee	\$21,113
Figge Art Museum	\$30,000	Mississippi Bend Area Education Agency	\$10,000
Freight House Farmers Market (2)	\$48,000	Mississippi Valley Blues Society	\$20,000
Fresh Films	\$25,000	Nahant Marsh Education Center	\$100,000
Friendly House	\$21,000	NAMI Greater Mississippi Valley	\$25,000
		Niabi Zoo / Rock Island County Forest Preserve District	\$32,500

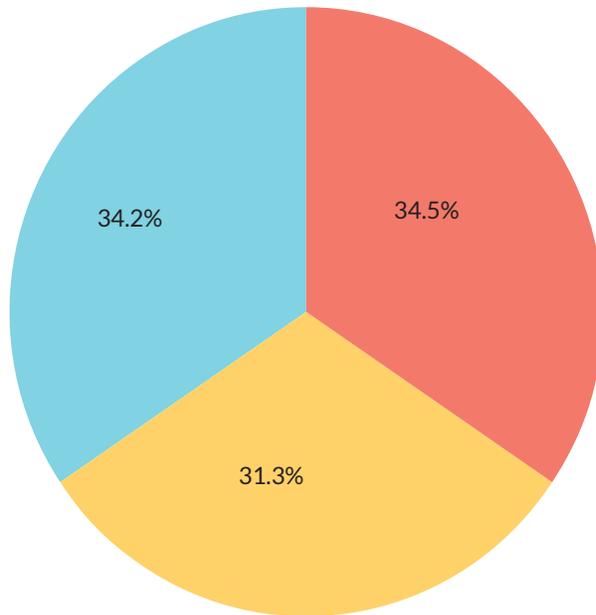
Normaleah Ovarian Cancer Initiative	\$12,500	STEAM on Wheels (2)	\$15,800
One Eighty (2)	\$58,000	Tapestry Farms	\$15,000
ONE Foundation	\$5,500	Testimonies of Hope, Inc/Argrow's House of Healing and Hope (2)	\$45,530
Opera Quad Cities (2)	\$10,250	The Clothing Center Minnies Maison Inc.	\$6,392
Our Lady of the River Catholic Church	\$7,500	The First Tee of the Quad Cities	\$11,000
Pearl's Mission	\$1,000	The Salvation Army Family Services (2)	\$105,000
Project Renewal	\$45,000	Together Making A Better Community - Lincoln Center (3)	\$97,317
Putnam Museum and Science Center (2)	\$152,500	Transitions MH Services	\$22,500
Q2030 (Payment 2 of 3)	\$50,000	Treasure Box U-S (2)	\$13,415
QC Alliance for Immigrants and Refugees - QCAIR	\$5,000	Two Rivers YMCA	\$5,000
QC Community Broadcasting Group, Inc. (2)	\$37,500	Underwear Because We Care	\$4,000
QC INTERFAITH, INC	\$10,000	United Way of the Quad Cities Area (2)	\$62,750
QC Veterans Outreach Center	\$18,910	Unity House of Davenport	\$6,000
Quad Cities Astronomical Society	\$13,500	Vera French Foundation	\$101,430
Quad Cities Chamber Foundation - Iowa (3)	\$140,000	Western Illinois University Foundation	\$5,000
Quad Cities Community Foundation (RDA Legacy Fund)	\$700,000	WIU Foundation (WQPT Quad Cities PBS)	\$25,000
Quad Cities Housing Council (5)	\$210,000	World Relief Quad Cities	\$51,464
Quad Cities Jazz Festival, LTD (2)	\$10,000	WVIK PUBLIC RADIO FOUNDATION (Aug. College)	\$25,000
Quad Cities Latino Foundation	\$10,000	YWCA of the Quad Cities	\$100,000
Quad Cities Open Network (3)	\$80,000		
Quad City Arts (2)	\$58,000		
Quad City Botanical Center (2)	\$55,000		
Quad City Music Academy	\$42,685		
Quad City Rollers	\$1,750		
Quad City Symphony Orchestra	\$50,000		
Quad City Veterans Outreach Center	\$10,350		
Ridgecrest Foundation	\$9,500		
River Action, Inc.	\$7,000		
River Bend Foodbank (2)	\$125,000		
Royal Drama	\$7,329		
Safe Families for Children Alliance	\$2,500		
Safer Foundation	\$26,950		
SBC Outreach Music & Arts Academy	\$5,000		
Scott County Library System	\$15,000		
ST. AMBROSE UNIVERSITY	\$25,000		
St. Anthony Catholic Church	\$7,500		
		TOTAL	\$5,028,663

RDA and Casino Partnership

RDA appreciates having Rhythm City Casino Resort (owned by an Iowa based company, Elite Casinos Resorts) as our casino operating partner. Beyond the benefits of the QSO contract described above, Rhythm City Casino has an even larger impact on the Quad Cities economy. Rhythm City Casino employs 450+ with an annual payroll and benefits of \$18.5 million. During 2022, Rhythm City Casino Resort had a total annual economic impact on our region of \$87.3 million. In addition to dollars sent to the RDA, Rhythm City Casino Resort also contributed another \$472,741 in 2022 to causes that support veterans, at-risk children, animal welfare, and others. RDA is fortunate to have Rhythm City Casino Resort in our community as not only a great partner but also a responsible and active corporate citizen.



2022 Grants Distributed



Breakdown of Grants

- Human Services - \$1,719,899
- Arts/Culture/Education - \$1,572,735
- Economic Development - \$1,731,030

Total Granting in 2022:

\$5,028,663

Total Grants in 2022:

164 Grants

All-Time Grants Distributed

Total Granting since 1991:

\$85,074,582.11

Total Grants:

4511 Grants