



JACKSON COUNTY ECONOMIC ALLIANCE

2021-2022 ANNUAL REPORT

The JCEA facilitated a partnership between the University of Iowa, Iowa Initiative for Sustainable Communities, and Jackson County on the successful completion of 24 projects.

BUSINESS RETENTION, EXPANSION, & RECRUITMENT

9 Synchronist visits with industries

Downtown Incentive Programs in Bellevue, Preston, and Maquoketa

7 expansions, 5 start-ups

Manufacturing 4.0

- 3 Grants totalling **\$600,000**

Catalyst Grants

- 6 Grants totalling **\$600,000**

Maquoketa Downtown CDBG Facade

- Awarded **\$500,000**

Innovate 120 - **\$407,000** CDBG-CV Grant

- also 2 Rural Ready Grants

138 S. Main - **\$488,604** CDBG-CV Grant

HIGH WAGES

Hourly Wage Growth 2013-2021

- \$13.88-\$18.73

Number of Jobs

- 2013 - **5,594**
- 2018 - **6,156**
- 2022 - **5,883**

NEW CONSTRUCTION

In 2021: over **\$15 million**

2018 to 2021: over **\$75 million**

QUALITY OF LIFE

Housing:

- Pocket Neighborhood (Bear River Cottages)
- **Harvest View Subdivision** - Preston
- **Jackson Subdivision** - Bellevue
- **Meadow Park Subdivision** - Maquoketa
- Former JCRHC Site (Senior Housing)
- Preston Senior Housing
- Downtown Upper Story
 - > Maquoketa Art Experience
 - > La Casa de Pancho
 - > Mitchell-Maskrey Mill
 - > 110 South Main
 - > 138 South Main
 - > Bellevue Downtown Incentive (9)

Park Improvement/Planning:

- Felderman Park
- Friends of Bellevue State Park
- Dog Park
- Skate Park
- Ninja Course
- School of the Wild (University of Iowa)
- Grant Wood Loop Master Plan Updated

National Registry of Downtown Historic Districts

- Bellevue
- Maquoketa

Sleep in Heavenly Peace

BUILD LOCAL CAPACITY

Resource to local governments

Hometown Pride

- Summer Concert Series
- Green Space Redevelopment

Iowa Initiative for Sustainable Communities (IISC) with the University of Iowa

Innovate 120

Great Places Redesignation for Maquoketa

Career & Hiring Fair

CIRAS iWIN (Iowa Workforce Innovation Network)

Viking Cruises - Day Excursion

AWARDS/RECOGNITION

Keep Iowa Beautiful

- **Robert D. Ray Community Award of Excellence:** City of Bellevue
- **1000 Friends of Iowa Best Redevelopment Awards**
 - > Renovated Commercial - Button Factory
 - > Mixed Use - 110 S. Main
 - > Renovated Residential - Mitchell-Maskrey Mill

Iowa Initiative for Sustainable Communities

- Outstanding Communter Partner 2021-2022

Iowa Rural Development Council

- 2021 Rural Hero Award



A TEAM IN TRANSITION
DAVE, KATLYNNE, KELLEY, & BEN

Special thanks to our investors and partners for your continued support in creating a vibrant economy in Jackson County!
We also want to express our extreme gratitude to Dave Heiar for his unwavering dedication and for the accomplishments he facilitated that will benefit future generations in Jackson County and the surrounding area.
We wish you the very best!