MUSCATINE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Danny Chick, District One | Kurt Kirchner, District Two | Scott Sauer, District Three
Nathan Mather, District Four | Jeff Sorensen, District Five

AGENDA

Monday, November 9, 2026

9:00 a.m.

Discovery Center Conference Room
3300 Cedar St. Muscatine, IA

1. Call to order.

2. Review agenda.

3. Discussion and possible action to accept claims dated November 9, 2026 in the amount of $906,558.70.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding Muscatine County Community Services Trust Services. (Guardianship, Conservatorship and Payee)

5. Discussion and possible action to approve a 2027 Wildlife Diversity Habitat Management Grant application in the amount of $7,500, with Conservation Director Katie Hammond.

6. Items with County Development Director Eric Furnas:
   a. Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution #11-09-26-01 Granting an Extension for Filing of Replat of Brookside Subdivision. **(roll call vote)**
   b. Other.

7. Discussion and possible action to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2026 regular meeting.

8. Correspondence.

9. Committee Reports.

10. Items with the Administration Office:
    a. Action to accept October 2026 payroll claims.
    b. Discussion and possible action to revise the unused vacation section of the Muscatine County Employee Handbook.
    c. Discussion regarding FY27/28 county departments budget expectations.
    d. Discussion and possible action regarding FY27/28 outside agency requests and presentations.
    e. Other.

11. Receive information from County employees.

Muscatine County Administration Building 414 East Third Street, Suite 101 Muscatine, Iowa 52761-4142
Phone: (563)263-5317 Fax: (563)288-4235 e-mail: administration@muscatinecountyiowa.gov

12. Receive comments from the public.

13. Adjournment.

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Agenda Packet
Item #3

- Muscatine County Claims 11-09-26

Muscatine County, IA

Pending Expense Approval Report

By Segment (Select Below)

Post Dates 11/09/2026 - 11/09/2026

Vendor Name	Payable Number	Post Date	Description (Item)	Account Number	Amount
Depart: 00 - NON-DEPARTMENTAL					
JP GLASS AND MORE	10703	11/09/2026	LOSS CONT PYMT RQST:2023 TAHOE REPLACE WINDSHIELD	8501-00-0310-000-46600	410.00
CITY OF MUSCATINE	R00385585	11/09/2026	DTF BYRNE GRANT REIM SEPT 2026	5120-00-1010-000-49200	5,754.88
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	R00385585	11/09/2026	DTF BYRNE GRANT REIM SEPT 2026	5120-00-1010-000-49200	7,338.04
				Depart 00 - NON-DEPARTMENTAL Total:	**13,502.92**
Depart: 01 - BOARD/ADMINISTRATION					
VISA	3038 10/26	11/09/2026	TAX FORMS & ENVELOPES	0001-01-9000-000-26000	271.62
VISA	3038 10/26	11/09/2026	CALENDARS, PLANNERS	0001-01-9000-000-26000	74.97
VISA	5553 10/26	11/09/2026	POST ITS	0001-01-9000-000-26000	12.68
MUSCATINE COUNTY TREASU...	ADMIN 10/26	11/09/2026	ADMIN POSTAGE OCT 2026	0001-01-9000-000-41200	400.38
				Depart 01 - BOARD/ADMINISTRATION Total:	**759.65**
Depart: 02 - AUDITOR					
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTW...	CD2168163	11/09/2026	BALLOTS	0002-02-8000-000-26400	90.52
VISA	3038 10/26	11/09/2026	INDEED: REAL ESTATE/ELECTIONS CLERK	0001-02-9010-000-40000	150.00
STEELE, SHANNON	REIM 10/26	11/09/2026	REIM MILEAGE SATELLITE VOTING	0002-02-8000-000-41300	46.24
FIFTH DISTRICT COUNTY AUDI...	9/26	11/09/2026	FALL MEETING FEE (1)	0002-02-8000-000-48000	25.00
COLUMN SOFTWARE PBC	28EE9089-0457	11/09/2026	SATELLITE VOTING STATION NOTICE	0002-02-8000-000-40000	90.29
				Depart 02 - AUDITOR Total:	**402.05**
Depart: 03 - TREASURER					
PROFESSIONAL OFFICE SERVIC...	003933185	11/09/2026	NOV MV RENEWAL (2516)	0001-03-8100-000-41200	1,568.78
PROFESSIONAL OFFICE SERVIC...	003933185	11/09/2026	NOV MV RENEWAL (2516)	0001-03-8100-000-42100	345.80
MUSCATINE COUNTY TREASU...	POSTAGE 10/26	11/09/2026	TREAS POSTAGE OCT 2026	0001-03-9020-000-41200	3,213.71
				Depart 03 - TREASURER Total:	**5,128.29**
Depart: 04 - COUNTY ATTORNEY					
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001691	11/09/2026	SERVICE/ATTEMPTED SERVICE OF PAPERS	0001-04-1100-000-42618	70.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001691	11/09/2026	MILEAGE	0001-04-1100-000-42618	26.70
LUNDBERG, SYDNEY CSR, RPR	SRCR075165	11/09/2026	TRANSCRIPT OF DEPOS SRCR075165	0001-04-1100-000-42617	92.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001692	11/09/2026	SERVICE/ATTEMPTED SERVICE OF PAPERS	0001-04-1100-000-42618	140.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001692	11/09/2026	MILEAGE	0001-04-1100-000-42618	117.70
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001706	11/09/2026	MILEAGE	0001-04-1100-000-42618	22.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001706	11/09/2026	SERVICE/ATTEMPTED SERVICE OF PAPERS	0001-04-1100-000-42618	35.00
LEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	26-002048	11/09/2026	SERVICE/ATTEMPTED SERVICE OF PAPERS	0001-04-1100-000-42618	35.00
KRAFKA, HEIDI L	6397	11/09/2026	TRANSCRIPT OF DEPOS FECR074572	0001-04-1100-000-42617	148.35
KRAFKA, HEIDI L	6399.5	11/09/2026	TRANSCRIPT OF DEPOS FECR074873	0001-04-1100-000-42617	88.15
KRAFKA, HEIDI L	6399	11/09/2026	TRANSCRIPTS OF DEPOS FECR074868	0001-04-1100-000-42617	86.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001690	11/09/2026	MILEAGE	0001-04-1100-000-42618	8.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001690	11/09/2026	SERVICE/ATTEMPTED SERVICE OF PAPERS	0001-04-1100-000-42618	70.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001710	11/09/2026	MILEAGE	0001-04-1100-000-42618	8.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001711	11/09/2026	MILEAGE	0001-04-1100-000-42618	50.60

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MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001711	11/09/2026	SERVICE/ATTEMPTED SERVICE OF PAPERS	0001-04-1100-000-42618	30.00
GREENE COUNTY SHERIFFS OF...	26-000785	11/09/2026	SERVICE/ATTEMPTED SERVICE OF PAPERS	0001-04-1100-000-42618	58.30
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001744	11/09/2026	SERVICE/ATTEMPTED SERVICE OF PAPERS	0001-04-1100-000-42618	35.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001744	11/09/2026	MILEAGE	0001-04-1100-000-42618	4.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001745	11/09/2026	MILEAGE	0001-04-1100-000-42618	4.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001745	11/09/2026	SERVICE/ATTEMPTED SERVICE OF PAPERS	0001-04-1100-000-42618	35.00
LINN COUNTY SHERIFF OFFICE	113310	11/09/2026	MILEAGE	0001-04-1100-000-42618	1.52
LINN COUNTY SHERIFF OFFICE	113310	11/09/2026	SERVICE OF PAPERS SMCR075064	0001-04-1100-000-42618	37.50
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001733	11/09/2026	MILEAGE	0001-04-1100-000-42618	8.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001733	11/09/2026	SERVICE/ATTEMPTED SERVICE OF PAPERS	0001-04-1100-000-42618	35.00
VERIZON	6156531635	11/09/2026	MONTHLY SERVICE 9/24-10/23/26	0001-04-1100-000-41500	207.60
TALKINGTON, KORIE	REIM 10/26	11/09/2026	REIM MILEAGE 2026 AG CLE	0001-04-1100-000-41300	223.04
TALKINGTON, KORIE	REIM 10/26	11/09/2026	REIM MEALS 2026 AG CLE	0001-04-1100-000-42233	8.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001707	11/09/2026	SERVICE/ATTEMPTED SERVICE OF PAPERS	0001-04-1100-000-42618	73.55
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001749	11/09/2026	SERVICE/ATTEMPTED SERVICE OF PAPERS	0001-04-1100-000-42618	35.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001749	11/09/2026	MILEAGE	0001-04-1100-000-42618	8.00
KRAFKA, HEIDI L	6409	11/09/2026	TRANSCRIPT OF DEPOS FECR075414	0001-04-1100-000-42617	58.05
KRC REPORTING P.C., OFFICIAL..	0260064-B	11/09/2026	TRANSCRIPTS OF DEPOS FECR074591	0001-04-1100-000-42617	140.70
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001795	11/09/2026	SERVICE/ATTEMPTED SERVICE OF PAPERS	0001-04-1100-000-42618	105.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001795	11/09/2026	MILEAGE	0001-04-1100-000-42618	4.00
MICHELE L. SHEDECK	2026-18	11/09/2026	TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS JVJV007337, 7338 & 7339	0001-04-1100-000-42617	27.30
LEXIS NEXIS	3096819643	11/09/2026	LEGAL SOFTWARE	0001-04-1100-000-26100	333.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY TREASU...	POSTAGE 10/26	11/09/2026	ATTY POSTAGE OCT 2026	0001-04-1100-000-41200	151.41
MUSCATINE COUNTY TREASU...	POSTAGE 10/26	11/09/2026	FINES POSTAGE OCT 2026	0001-04-1102-000-26710	467.51
MUSCATINE COUNTY ATTORN...	10/2026	11/09/2026	2026 AG CLE REGISTRATION	0001-04-1100-000-42232	10.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY ATTORN...	10/2026	11/09/2026	ICWA PAPERWORK JVJV007453 CHECK #1187	0001-04-1100-000-42617	45.24
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	2577 10/26	11/09/2026	CERTIFIED MAIL FECR048920	0001-04-1100-000-42617	156.83
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	2577 10/26	11/09/2026	NOTARY RENEWAL (1)	0001-04-1100-000-48000	30.00
MICHELE L. SHEDECK	2026-11	11/09/2026	TRANSCRIPT OF SENTENCING OWCR074468	0001-04-1100-000-42617	7.00
MICHELE L. SHEDECK	2026-17	11/09/2026	TRANSCRIPT OF JURY TRIAL OWCR074119	0001-04-1100-000-42617	113.00
T.A. REPORTING	26-69	11/09/2026	TRANSCRIPT OF DEPOS FECR074220	0001-04-1100-000-42617	560.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001422	11/09/2026	SERVICE/ATTEMPTED SERVICE OF PAPERS	0001-04-1100-000-42618	38.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY SHERIFF	26-001422	11/09/2026	MILEAGE	0001-04-1100-000-42618	16.00
				Depart 04 - COUNTY ATTORNEY Total:	**4,064.05**
Depart: 05 - SHERIFF					
T MOBILE	221407415-7	11/09/2026	DTF 10/14-11/13/26	0001-05-1011-000-26000	94.90
T MOBILE	221407415-7	11/09/2026	DTF 10/14-11/13/26	0029-05-1010-000-26700	94.89
VAN METER INC	S014672196.001	11/09/2026	LED PANELS	0029-05-1010-000-26700	296.00
SIGN WORKS OF MUSCATINE	1918	11/09/2026	SET OF K9 UNITE GOLD REFLECTIVES & CAUTION	0001-05-1000-000-29600	82.50
VAN METER INC	S014672196.002	11/09/2026	LED PANELS	0029-05-1010-000-26700	74.00
VERIZON	6156127388	11/09/2026	SHERIFF POLE CAMERA 9/19-10/18/26	0001-05-1010-000-49200	40.01

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424 WARNING SYSTEMS LLC	26-042	11/09/2026	DECOMMISSION 2022 CHEVY TAHOE	0001-05-1000-000-63570	683.72
424 WARNING SYSTEMS LLC	26-042	11/09/2026	DECOMMISSION 2022 CHEVY TAHOE	0001-05-1000-000-63570	2,890.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	0791341000 10/26	11/09/2026	DTF 9/24-10/23/26	0033-05-1000-000-39900	34.03
VERIZON	6156598992	11/09/2026	MONTHLY SERVICE 9/24-10/23/26	0029-05-1010-000-26700	80.02
ALLIANT ENERGY	7020011000 10/26	11/09/2026	PAW 9/25-10/24/26	0001-05-1000-000-43000	41.44
MUSCATINE POWER & WATER	104564 10/26	11/09/2026	PAW SECURITY LIGHTS E31028 9/15-10/14/26	0001-05-1000-000-43000	430.14
MUSCATINE POWER & WATER	104566 10/26	11/09/2026	SO INTERNET 9/25-10/25/26	0033-05-1000-000-39900	112.97
MENARDS	42064	11/09/2026	PAVERS, GALLON TOTES	0001-05-1000-000-26000	88.40
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	1820 10/26	11/09/2026	PBT CALIBRATION CANISTER	0001-05-1000-000-26000	213.52
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	1820 10/26	11/09/2026	HANDLER SUBSCRIPTION	0001-05-1000-000-48800	140.00
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	2312 10/26	11/09/2026	FILE FOLDERS	0001-05-1000-000-26000	151.85
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	4244 10/26	11/09/2026	CLOUD STORAGE	0001-05-1000-000-26000	3.18
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	5366 10/26	11/09/2026	NEGOTIATOR CONFERENCE	0001-05-1000-000-42233	34.86
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	7700 10/26	11/09/2026	BOOKED DEPOSIT TICKETS	0001-05-1000-000-26000	249.66
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	8019 10/26	11/09/2026	SOR & LEIN CONFERENCE FUEL	0001-05-1000-000-25000	40.03
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	8019 10/26	11/09/2026	SOR & LEIN CONFERENCE LODGING, MEALS	0001-05-1000-000-42233	507.88
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC	1411284060	11/09/2026	VIDEO MANAGER EL, BODY WORN CAMERA-ANNUAL LICENSE	0001-05-1000-000-63500	4,290.00
ENSURITY MOBILE CORP	42770	11/09/2026	MONITORING (3)	0029-05-1010-000-26700	1,875.00
				Depart 05 - SHERIFF Total:	**12,549.00**
Depart: 06 - JAIL					
IOWA LAW ENFORCEMENT A...	334996	11/09/2026	JAIL SCHOOL (3)	0001-06-1050-000-42232	1,125.00
PRECISION EXTERIOR CARE LLC	7511	11/09/2026	COMMERCIAL FILM	0030-06-1053-000-63800	220.88
UNIFORM DEN INC	120920-02	11/09/2026	NEW HIRE SHIRTS (2) & SEWING	0001-06-1050-000-29400	5.00
UNIFORM DEN INC	120920-02	11/09/2026	NEW HIRE SHIRTS (2) & SEWING	0001-06-1050-000-29400	203.91
KEEFE SUPPLY COMPANY	2105689	11/09/2026	COMMISSARY ITEMS FOR RESALE	0030-06-1053-000-23087	5,156.30
KEEFE SUPPLY COMPANY	2105758	11/09/2026	COMMISSARY ITEMS FOR RESALE	0030-06-1053-000-23087	65.20
KEEFE SUPPLY COMPANY	2105791-4285628	11/09/2026	CREDIT: DAMAGED ITEM	0030-06-1053-000-23087	-29.52
KEEFE SUPPLY COMPANY	2105873	11/09/2026	COMMISSARY ITEMS FOR RESALE	0030-06-1053-000-23087	48.00
KEEFE SUPPLY COMPANY	2106155	11/09/2026	COMMISSARY ITEMS FOR RESALE	0030-06-1053-000-23087	29.52
JOHNSON DISTRIBUTING INC	7271703	11/09/2026	WATER	0030-06-1053-000-63800	136.00
ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL &...	INV-011462	11/09/2026	SEPT POOL RECONCILIATION OVERAGES	0030-06-1053-000-63800	48.69
SMART VENDING SERVICES LLC	11070	11/09/2026	NIC POUCHES SPEARMINT	0030-06-1053-000-23087	1,560.00
SMART VENDING SERVICES LLC	11070	11/09/2026	NIC POUCHES GLACIER MINT	0030-06-1053-000-23087	1,560.00
SMART VENDING SERVICES LLC	11070	11/09/2026	NIC POUCHES WATERMELON	0030-06-1053-000-23087	846.57
KEEFE SUPPLY COMPANY	2106666	11/09/2026	COMMISSARY ITEMS FOR RESALE	0030-06-1053-000-23087	3,553.52
KEEFE SUPPLY COMPANY	2107124	11/09/2026	COMMISSARY ITEMS FOR RESALE	0030-06-1053-000-23087	36.00
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26409013	11/09/2026	OSTOMY POUCHES	0001-06-1050-000-42871	121.20
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26409013	11/09/2026	SHARPS CONTAINER	0001-06-1050-000-42871	51.65
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26409013	11/09/2026	IBUPROFEN	0001-06-1050-000-42871	87.80
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26409013	11/09/2026	SOUFFLE CUPS	0001-06-1050-000-42871	94.40
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26409013	11/09/2026	LANCETS	0001-06-1050-000-42871	48.36
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26409013	11/09/2026	TEST STRIPS	0001-06-1050-000-42871	123.20
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26409013	11/09/2026	ACETAMINOPHEN	0001-06-1050-000-42871	132.15
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26409013	11/09/2026	OSTOMY RINGS	0001-06-1050-000-42871	112.40
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26409013	11/09/2026	SYRINGES	0001-06-1050-000-42871	247.42

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MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26409013	11/09/2026	BOARDER DRESSING	0001-06-1050-000-42871	322.12
THOMS PROESTLER CO	8312036	11/09/2026	KITCHEN FOOD	0001-06-1052-000-23000	9,396.63
THOMS PROESTLER CO	8312036	11/09/2026	KITCHEN NONFOOD	0001-06-1052-000-63800	1,323.13
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26414189	11/09/2026	SALINE	0001-06-1050-000-42871	17.40
GOOD SOURCE SOLUTIONS INC	SI0586427	11/09/2026	KITCHEN FOOD	0001-06-1052-000-23000	6,000.00
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26430785	11/09/2026	TEST KIT	0001-06-1050-000-42871	65.90
A-1 QUALITY TIRE	I055686	11/09/2026	WASHER FLUID & REPAIR TIRE 2016 EXPRESS	0001-06-1050-000-44000	30.50
A-1 QUALITY TIRE	I055686	11/09/2026	WASHER FLUID & REPAIR TIRE 2016 EXPRESS	0001-06-1050-000-44000	7.67
BLAKE, BRIANNA	REIM 10/26	11/09/2026	REIM TRANSPORT FUEL	0001-06-1050-000-25000	134.13
KEEFE SUPPLY COMPANY	2109081	11/09/2026	COMMISSARY ITEMS FOR RESALE	0030-06-1053-000-23087	2,236.42
THOMS PROESTLER CO	8317708	11/09/2026	KITCHEN FOOD	0001-06-1052-000-23000	10,283.04
THOMS PROESTLER CO	8317708	11/09/2026	KITCHEN NONFOOD	0001-06-1052-000-63800	755.74
THOMS PROESTLER CO	8317709	11/09/2026	RESALE ITEMS FOR COMMISSARY, E&S FOR JAIL	0001-06-1052-000-63800	347.61
THOMS PROESTLER CO	8317709	11/09/2026	RESALE ITEMS FOR COMMISSARY, E&S FOR JAIL	0030-06-1053-000-23087	8.48
KEEFE SUPPLY COMPANY	2109675	11/09/2026	COMMISSARY ITEMS FOR RESALE	0030-06-1053-000-23087	80.00
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26454114	11/09/2026	ORASOL GEL	0001-06-1050-000-42871	50.97
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26454114	11/09/2026	HYDROCORTISONE	0001-06-1050-000-42871	47.72
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26454114	11/09/2026	BANDAGES	0001-06-1050-000-42871	51.60
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26454114	11/09/2026	BANDAGES	0001-06-1050-000-42871	19.62
KEEFE SUPPLY COMPANY	2110017-4300635	11/09/2026	CREDIT: DAMAGED GOODS	0030-06-1053-000-23087	-54.00
GOOD SOURCE SOLUTIONS INC	SI0586634	11/09/2026	KITCHEN FOOD	0001-06-1052-000-23000	4,960.78
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	2515 10/26	11/09/2026	TRANSPORT FUEL	0001-06-1050-000-25000	342.17
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	2515 10/26	11/09/2026	TRANSPORT MEALS	0001-06-1050-000-42233	57.21
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26463360	11/09/2026	ABDOMINAL BINDERS	0001-06-1050-000-42871	17.89
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	3779 10/26	11/09/2026	SOR SCHOOL LODGING & MEALS	0001-06-1050-000-42233	725.57
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	4244 10/26	11/09/2026	POSTAGE & SHIPPING	0001-06-1050-000-41200	79.37
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	5677 10/26	11/09/2026	SHARPIES, CERTIFICATES, ENVELOPES, CALENDAR	0001-06-1050-000-26000	203.02
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	5677 10/26	11/09/2026	JAIL SCHOOL LODGING	0001-06-1050-000-42233	1,447.02
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	5677 10/26	11/09/2026	SHEARS	0001-06-1052-000-63800	39.00
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	6696 10/26	11/09/2026	LAUNDRY DETERGENT, SPRAY BOTTLE REPLACEMENT TOPS	0001-06-1050-000-23200	114.70
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	6696 10/26	11/09/2026	KITCHEN FOOD	0001-06-1052-000-23000	347.89
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	6696 10/26	11/09/2026	COMMISSARY RESALE	0030-06-1053-000-23087	131.20
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	7498 10/26	11/09/2026	TRANSPORT FUEL	0001-06-1050-000-25000	118.02
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	8580 10/26	11/09/2026	SCREWS	0001-06-1050-000-23400	72.87
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	8580 10/26	11/09/2026	PRINT CERTIFICATES	0001-06-1050-000-26000	25.97
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	8580 10/26	11/09/2026	COMPRESSION STOCKINGS	0001-06-1050-000-42871	35.66
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	8580 10/26	11/09/2026	PRINT CERTIFICATES	0001-06-1050-000-44000	22.60
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	8580 10/26	11/09/2026	FRAMES, SCREEN PROTECTORS,SCREWS, DOORMATS	0001-06-1050-000-63800	530.69
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	8580 10/26	11/09/2026	PRE RINSE SPRAY HEAD	0001-06-1052-000-63800	247.30
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	8631 10/26	11/09/2026	8PC BOWL	0001-06-1052-000-63800	6.96
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO	13996106641026	11/09/2026	PAINT	0030-06-1053-000-63800	259.75
ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL &...	RINV-011596	11/09/2026	ON SITE MEDICAL SERVICES DEC 2026	0001-06-1050-000-42870	110,810.00
ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL &...	RINV-011597	11/09/2026	ON SITE MENTAL SERVICES DEC 2026	0001-06-1050-000-42870	6,198.55
TMS, Inc	379833	11/09/2026	TIME SUBSCRIPTON FEE, AGREEMENT	0001-06-1050-000-26000	265.00
KEEFE SUPPLY COMPANY	2108257	11/09/2026	COMMISSARY ITEMS FOR RESALE	0030-06-1053-000-23087	245.52
ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL &...	INV-004886	11/09/2026	ON SITE MEDICAL SERVICES CONTRACT RENEWAL 7/1/26	0001-06-1050-000-42870	6,387.26

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ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL &...	INV-004887	11/09/2026	ONSITE MENTAL SERVICES CONTRACT RENEWAL DIFF ONLY	0001-06-1050-000-42870	225.46
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	25884420	11/09/2026	OSTOMY POUCHES	0001-06-1050-000-42871	303.00
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	25884420	11/09/2026	OSTOMY RINGS	0001-06-1050-000-42871	281.00
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	25884420	11/09/2026	WIPES	0001-06-1050-000-42871	43.14
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	25884420	11/09/2026	SHARPS CONTAINER	0001-06-1050-000-42871	51.65
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	25884420	11/09/2026	SOUFFLE CUPS	0001-06-1050-000-42871	94.40
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26088962	11/09/2026	OSTOMY RINGS	0001-06-1050-000-42871	56.20
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26088962	11/09/2026	OSTOMY POUCHES	0001-06-1050-000-42871	303.00
STERICYCLE INC	8015336376	11/09/2026	REGULATED MEDICAL WASTE	0001-06-1050-000-42871	360.89
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGIC...	26086766	11/09/2026	MAGNESIUM CITRATE	0001-06-1050-000-42871	17.34
ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL &...	INV-011146	11/09/2026	AUG 2026 POOL RECONCILIATION OVERAGES	0030-06-1053-000-63800	433.81
				Depart 06 - JAIL Total:	**182,570.19**
Depart: 07 - RECORDER					
MUSCATINE COUNTY TREASU...	POSTAGE 10/26	11/09/2026	RECORDER POSTAGE OCT 2026	0001-07-8110-000-41200	79.86
				Depart 07 - RECORDER Total:	**79.86**
Depart: 20 - ENGINEER					
ALTORFER INC	PC110442964	11/09/2026	wear strip, washers	0020-20-7210-621-44300	70.58
RAYNOR DOOR CO INC OF THE...	154546	11/09/2026	opener, installation	0020-20-7230-820-44100	1,325.00
RAYNOR DOOR CO INC OF THE...	154546	11/09/2026	opener, installation	0020-20-7230-820-44100	605.00
ALLIANT ENERGY	0221851000 10/14/26	11/09/2026	utilities	0020-20-7210-650-49500	32.41
LINWOOD MINING & MINERA...	500875	11/09/2026	rock	0020-20-7110-461-44800	314.01
GRAINGER	9118413666	11/09/2026	air compressor switch	0020-20-7210-621-44300	52.61
BLICK & BLICK OIL INC	184518	11/09/2026	gasohol, diesel	0020-20-7210-631-25000	13,479.31
BLICK & BLICK OIL INC	184518	11/09/2026	gasohol, diesel	0020-20-7210-632-25000	22,771.29
Nextran Truck Centers	29W2761	11/09/2026	repair rear diff leak	0020-20-7210-621-44300	224.64
Nextran Truck Centers	29W2761	11/09/2026	repair rear diff leak	0020-20-7210-623-44300	1,479.00
ALTORFER INC	PC110443289	11/09/2026	wear strip	0020-20-7210-621-44300	73.85
WENDLING QUARRIES INC	1123749	11/09/2026	rock	0020-20-7110-461-44800	20,579.68
WENDLING QUARRIES INC	1123749	11/09/2026	rock	0020-20-7110-483-44900	1,334.32
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1KNR-11L4-DKJC	11/09/2026	hand soap refills	0020-20-7210-650-49500	53.89
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	3222866	11/09/2026	return	0020-20-7210-637-25400	-39.70
GRAINGER	9122671382	11/09/2026	switch, butane torch	0020-20-7210-621-44300	54.20
GRAINGER	9122671382	11/09/2026	switch, butane torch	0020-20-7220-655-29000	37.22
RAINBO OIL COMPANY	103858-IN	11/09/2026	DEF	0020-20-7210-649-25400	505.78
T MOBILE	222685222-8	11/09/2026	monthly service	0020-20-7000-120-63600	48.52
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY LLP	39NV407306	11/09/2026	fittings	0020-20-7210-621-44300	186.90
MENARDS	41647 10/20/26	11/09/2026	butane, nozzle, washer, trash bags	0020-20-7210-621-44300	21.75
MENARDS	41647 10/20/26	11/09/2026	butane, nozzle, washer, trash bags	0020-20-7210-650-49500	21.98
MENARDS	41647 10/20/26	11/09/2026	butane, nozzle, washer, trash bags	0020-20-7220-655-29000	3.89
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY - CT...	44709	11/09/2026	winter maintenance workshop	0020-20-7120-529-44800	360.00
HY-VEE INC, ATTN: STORE CH...	80501	11/09/2026	gas for chainsaws	0020-20-7140-490-44800	183.38
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY LLP	39NV407400	11/09/2026	fittings	0020-20-7210-621-44300	276.70
LINWOOD MINING & MINERA...	501133	11/09/2026	rock	0020-20-7110-461-44800	1,084.89
GRAINGER	9125815556	11/09/2026	bolts, lock nuts	0020-20-7220-680-24000	89.19
A-1 QUALITY TIRE	I055635	11/09/2026	tire repair	0020-20-7210-621-44300	12.95
A-1 QUALITY TIRE	I055635	11/09/2026	tire repair	0020-20-7210-623-44300	307.50
Jasper Construction Services, I...	108801	11/09/2026	bridge repair	0020-20-7100-420-44700	68,996.10
SYN-TECH SYSTEMS INC	342686	11/09/2026	prokees	0020-20-7210-650-49500	228.00
LINWOOD MINING & MINERA...	501195	11/09/2026	rock	0020-20-7110-461-44800	615.20
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COM...	586928673	11/09/2026	utilities	0020-20-7210-650-49500	77.00
GRAINGER	9127763598	11/09/2026	bolts, lock nuts	0020-20-7220-680-24000	113.19
ALLIANT ENERGY	0201511000 10/23/26	11/09/2026	utilities	0020-20-7210-650-49500	37.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	137K-43L9-XWF9	11/09/2026	disposable gloves	0020-20-7210-650-49500	63.60

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AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1VJP-R66V-X3H4	11/09/2026	wypall towel roll	0020-20-7210-650-49500	50.83
INTERSTATE BATTERIES	24290431	11/09/2026	battery	0020-20-7210-638-25400	157.95
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	3225262	11/09/2026	hyd hose, o-rings	0020-20-7210-621-44300	188.35
LINWOOD MINING & MINERA...	501264	11/09/2026	rock	0020-20-7110-461-44800	803.94
ALLIANT ENERGY	7979880000 10/23/26	11/09/2026	utilities	0020-20-7210-650-49500	37.00
ALTORFER INC	WO100272175	11/09/2026	PM3 I-303	0020-20-7210-621-44300	246.10
ALTORFER INC	WO100272175	11/09/2026	PM3 I-303	0020-20-7210-623-44300	2,711.34
ALTORFER INC	WO100272176	11/09/2026	PM1 I-36	0020-20-7210-621-44300	246.10
ALTORFER INC	WO100272176	11/09/2026	PM1 I-36	0020-20-7210-623-44300	1,149.08
WENDLING QUARRIES INC	1124933	11/09/2026	rock	0020-20-7110-461-44800	21,505.11
MUSCATINE POWER & WATER	109558 10/26/26	11/09/2026	utilities	0020-20-7210-650-49500	947.10
CITY OF WEST LIBERTY	13-12480-00 10/26/26	11/09/2026	utilities	0020-20-7210-650-49500	180.28
LINWOOD MINING & MINERA...	501341	11/09/2026	rock	0020-20-7110-461-44800	941.49
CALHOUN-BURNS AND ASSOC...	9704-1	11/09/2026	bridge rating & inspection	0020-20-7010-250-42330	6,884.71
SNIDER, DEREK	BRS(74) 2 P	11/09/2026	permanent ROW BRS-C070 (74)--60-70 parcel 2	0020-20-0201-310-62700	1,635.38
Sampson, Jessica	BRS(74) 2 P	11/09/2026	permanent ROW	0020-20-0201-310-62700	1,635.37
SNIDER, DEREK	BRS(74) 2 T	11/09/2026	temporary ROW BRS-C070 (74)--60-70 parcel 2	0020-20-0201-310-62700	1,752.20
Sampson, Jessica	BRS(74) 2 T	11/09/2026	temporary ROW	0020-20-0201-310-62700	1,752.20
RiverStone Group Inc	1537166	11/09/2026	HMA patch	0020-20-7110-466-44800	630.21
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY LLP	39NV408132	11/09/2026	grease tubes, protectant	0020-20-7210-621-44300	13.29
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY LLP	39NV408132	11/09/2026	grease tubes, protectant	0020-20-7210-634-25100	168.60
LINWOOD MINING & MINERA...	501415	11/09/2026	rock	0020-20-7110-461-44800	1,139.58
GRAINGER	9132836090	11/09/2026	grease gun hose, socket	0020-20-7220-655-29000	142.35
FASTENAL CO	IAMUS228528	11/09/2026	batteries	0020-20-7210-650-49500	39.26
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY LLP	39NV408242	11/09/2026	protectant	0020-20-7210-621-44300	26.58
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY LLP	39NV408317	11/09/2026	hose ends	0020-20-7210-621-44300	124.60
LINWOOD MINING & MINERA...	501480	11/09/2026	rock	0020-20-7110-461-44800	1,115.86
Spitler, JEFFREY	BROS(80) 1 & 5	11/09/2026	adding easement transaction to title documents	0020-20-0201-310-62700	200.00
Spitler, JEFFREY	BROS(80) 1&5	11/09/2026	land by quitclaim	0020-20-0201-310-62700	5,600.00
Spitler, JEFFREY	BROS(80) 1&5	11/09/2026	permanent ROW	0020-20-0201-310-62700	9,750.00
FASTENAL CO	IAMUS228548	11/09/2026	rags	0020-20-7210-650-49500	110.23
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY LLP	39NV408441	11/09/2026	hose 60'	0020-20-7210-621-44300	539.40
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY LLP	39NV408491	11/09/2026	hose 330'	0020-20-7210-621-44300	3,408.90
LINWOOD MINING & MINERA...	501545	11/09/2026	rock	0020-20-7110-461-44800	993.94
VISA	0642 10/26	11/09/2026	LODGING ROADSIDE CONFERENCE	0020-20-7140-490-44800	233.10
VISA	3038 10/26	11/09/2026	INDEED: TRAFFIC CONTROL TECH	0020-20-7000-120-63600	100.00
CULLIGAN OF DAVENPORT	309375 10/31/26	11/09/2026	water	0020-20-7210-650-49500	107.30
ALTORFER INC	PC110442901	11/09/2026	covers, wear strips	0020-20-7210-621-44300	703.82
ALTORFER INC	PC110442908	11/09/2026	wire bristles, poly bristles	0020-20-7210-621-44300	2,074.06
CITY OF WILTON	11-76000-00 11/1/26	11/09/2026	utilities	0020-20-7210-650-49500	118.22
OVESON REFUSE & RECYCLING..	84759	11/09/2026	recycling & garbage	0020-20-7210-650-49500	155.00
GEE ASPHALT SYSTEMS INC	G26052	11/09/2026	Olgilvie friction seal	0020-20-7110-466-44800	83,396.00
GEE ASPHALT SYSTEMS INC	G26052	11/09/2026	Olgilvie friction seal	0020-20-7130-591-44810	4,250.00
				Depart 20 - ENGINEER Total:	**293,645.66**
Depart: 22 - CONSERVATION BOARD					
MENARDS	41248	11/09/2026	LIGHTS BULBS FOR LEARNING CENTER	0001-22-6110-000-44100	106.96
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	4976 10/26	11/09/2026	CALENDARS, BANKER BOXES	0001-22-6100-000-26000	83.06
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	4976 10/26	11/09/2026	SMALL ENGINE FUEL	0001-22-6110-000-25000	53.83
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	4976 10/26	11/09/2026	METAL SIGN STANDS, TREE SIGNS	0001-22-6110-000-29000	58.97
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	4976 10/26	11/09/2026	HARD HAT, BROW PADS, CHEST WADERS	0001-22-6110-000-29300	328.40
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	4976 10/26	11/09/2026	IA DEPT OF AG PESTICIDE APPLLIC CERT	0001-22-6110-000-42232	35.00
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	4976 10/26	11/09/2026	CCPOA LODGING & MEALS (3)	0001-22-6110-000-42233	645.17

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ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	4976 10/26	11/09/2026	FRIDGE FILTERS	0001-22-6110-000-43400	22.99
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	4976 10/26	11/09/2026	THROTTLE CABLE, TRACTOR TIRE, GASKET & COMPOUND	0001-22-6110-000-44600	109.19
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	4976 10/26	11/09/2026	STIHLE CUT OFF SAW RENTAL	0001-22-6110-000-45200	60.00
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	4976 10/26	11/09/2026	PROBUG SUPERWORMS, CRICKETS, COWHIDE GLOVES	0001-22-6120-000-20000	241.29
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	4976 10/26	11/09/2026	COMBO METERS, 3 PC BAKING DISHES	0001-22-6120-000-29200	51.21
REPUBLIC SERVICES, LLC	0400-002535930	11/09/2026	WASTE DISPOSAL DEEP LAKES PARK CAMPGROUND	0001-22-6110-000-47500	241.73
REPUBLIC SERVICES, LLC	0400-002535930	11/09/2026	WASTE DISPOSAL SAULSBURY	0001-22-6110-000-47500	674.73
REPUBLIC SERVICES, LLC	0400-002535930	11/09/2026	WASTE DISPOSAL DEEP LAKES PARK	0001-22-6110-000-47500	216.50
REPUBLIC SERVICES, LLC	0400-002535930	11/09/2026	WASTE DISPOSAL DISC PARK	0001-22-6110-000-47500	216.50
LATTA WELL & PUMP CORP	57529	11/09/2026	SAULSBURY REC AREA - CHLORINATION OF WELL	0001-22-6110-000-43200	250.00
TRIPLE B CONSTRUCTION CORP	5988	11/09/2026	PUMPED SEPTIC TANK AT DLP CAMPGROUND	0001-22-6110-000-47500	375.00
MUSCATINE COUNTY EXTENS...	25	11/09/2026	FORESTRY, AQUATICS & ROW CONT ED COURSE (2)	0001-22-6110-000-42232	90.00
MENARDS	41690	11/09/2026	HOLE SAW DRILL BIT	0001-22-6110-000-29000	23.49
SCHAAPVELD FARMS LLC	5	11/09/2026	MOVING CEMENT BLOCKS AT MAINT SHOP	0001-22-6110-000-21000	240.00
CURRY'S INC	38744	11/09/2026	OIL CHANGE 2023 CHEVY EXPRESS VAN	0001-22-6110-000-44000	59.73
CURRY'S INC	38744	11/09/2026	OIL CHANGE 2023 CHEVY EXPRESS VAN	0001-22-6110-000-44000	19.00
MENARDS	42139	11/09/2026	PVC CONDUIT, WOOD, PARTS ORGANIZER	0001-22-6110-000-21000	170.22
MENARDS	42140	11/09/2026	CABLE BUNDLERS, 3M HOOKS	0001-22-6100-000-26000	11.97
PANKEY'S CARBON CLIFF BAIT...	71960	11/09/2026	DEW WORMS	0001-22-6120-000-20000	28.00
SPRATT OIL SALES INC	141818	11/09/2026	GASAHOL	0001-22-6110-000-25000	1,979.60
SPRATT OIL SALES INC	141818	11/09/2026	DIESEL	0001-22-6110-000-25000	1,405.43
ALLIANT ENERGY	8788811000 10/26	11/09/2026	JACK SHUGER PARK 9/29-10/30/26	0001-22-6110-000-43142	33.24
ORIENTAL TRADING CO	74424204901	11/09/2026	HALLOWEEN DRIVE THRU TREAT BAG SUPPLIES	0001-22-6120-000-29200	178.60
MUSCATINE COUNTY ENGINE...	CONS 10/26	11/09/2026	CONSERVATION FUEL OCT 2026	0001-22-6110-000-25000	276.62
Hannes, Ricky Lee	HOST 11/26	11/09/2026	CAMPGROUND HOST DUTIES 9/1-11/1/26	0001-22-6110-000-41000	450.00
BUNN, BOBBIE JEAN	HOST 11/26	11/09/2026	CAMPGROUND HOST DUTIES 9/1-11/1/26	0001-22-6110-000-41000	450.00
ESI	8612	11/09/2026	PORTABLE TOILET RENTALS DLP	0001-22-6110-000-47500	203.50
				Depart 22 - CONSERVATION BOARD Total:	**9,389.93**
Depart: 24 - DHS					
STOREY KENWORTHY / MATT ...	PINV1344510	11/09/2026	PLANNERS & APPOINTMENT BOOKS	0001-24-3100-000-26000	141.59
GREEN RESOURCE MANAGEM...	364147	11/09/2026	SHREDDING SERVICE	0001-24-3100-000-26000	52.80
MUSCATINE POWER & WATER	168651 10/26	11/09/2026	MONTHLY SERVICE 9/21-10/19/26	0001-24-3100-000-26200	112.97
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1PWK-CLXF-6Y6F	11/09/2026	APPOINTMENT BOOKS	0001-24-3100-000-26000	35.40
				Depart 24 - DHS Total:	**342.76**
Depart: 25 - GENERAL ASSISTANCE					
HY-VEE DRUGSTORE #7060	30573 9/26	11/09/2026	FOOD/PROVISION ASSITANCE	0001-25-3110-000-23000	50.12
BASULTO PROPERTIES LLC	727714	11/09/2026	RENT ASSISTANCE	0001-25-3110-000-34000	200.00
VERIZON	6156127387	11/09/2026	MONTHLY SERVICE 9/19-10/18/26	0001-25-3100-000-41400	78.51
HENDERSON BARKER FUNERA...	727687	11/09/2026	VA CREMATION ASSISTANCE	0001-25-3210-000-39000	1,500.00
AMERICAN LEGION IA POST 0...	202770252 2027	11/09/2026	2027 MEMBERSHIP	0001-25-3200-000-48000	50.00
MUSCATINE PLAZA PROPERTI...	727722	11/09/2026	RENT ASSISTANCE	0001-25-3110-000-34000	250.00

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MUSCATINE COUNTY COMM...	TRUE LINK 11/26	11/09/2026	TRUE LINK CARD FEES	0001-25-3110-000-39906	1,420.00
DANNER, MONICA	VA 10/26	11/09/2026	VA MEETING	0001-25-3200-000-12100	25.00
ORMSBY, KEITH	VA 10/26	11/09/2026	VA MEETING	0001-25-3200-000-12100	25.00
ROYAL-GOODWIN, JODI	VA 10/26	11/09/2026	VA MEETING	0001-25-3200-000-12100	25.00
JOHNSON, LISA LEOTA	VA 10/26	11/09/2026	VA MEETING	0001-25-3200-000-12100	25.00
ORMSBY, KEITH	VA 10/26	11/09/2026	VA MILEAGE	0001-25-3200-000-41300	25.16
DANNER, MONICA	VA 10/26	11/09/2026	VA MILEAGE	0001-25-3200-000-41300	25.30
HYVEE HOME HEALTHCARE S...	42-0325638	11/09/2026	PRESCRIPTION ASSISTANCE - HEAVY DUTY WALKER (1)	0001-25-3110-000-30600	187.25
TADAN'S TOUCH FOUNDATION	727363	11/09/2026	RENT ASSISTANCE	0001-25-3110-000-34000	470.00
				Depart 25 - GENERAL ASSISTANCE Total:	**4,356.34**
Depart: 28 - MEDICAL EXAMINER					
VISA	3038 10/26	11/09/2026	DEATH INVESTIGATION MANUALS	0001-28-1110-000-26700	173.00
VISA	3038 10/26	11/09/2026	IACME MED EXAM CONFERENCE (5)	0001-28-1110-000-42232	1,400.00
JOHNSON COUNTY MEDICAL ...	CI-0001120	11/09/2026	DEATH INVESTIGATION	0001-28-1110-000-40200	334.79
				Depart 28 - MEDICAL EXAMINER Total:	**1,907.79**
Depart: 30 - COURT SERVICES					
HAWTHORNE, HALE	10/20/26	11/09/2026	INTERPRETER FEE	0001-30-1530-000-42500	339.35
				Depart 30 - COURT SERVICES Total:	**339.35**
Depart: 31 - BOARD OF HEALTH					
TRINITY MUSCATINE	PHTHOCC27620 9/26	11/09/2026	CARE FOR YOURSELF GRANT SEPT 2026	0001-31-3000-000-30749	2,467.51
TRINITY MUSCATINE	PHTHOIP26070 9/26	11/09/2026	IMMUNIZATIONS/TB GRANT 9/26	0001-31-3000-000-30750	2,365.97
TRINITY MUSCATINE	PHTHOLP27070 9/26	11/09/2026	LOCAL PH SERVICES GRANT SEPT 2026	0001-31-3000-000-32000	8,366.14
				Depart 31 - BOARD OF HEALTH Total:	**13,199.62**
Depart: 51 - GENERAL SERVICES					
PLUMB SUPPLY CO	S101888683.001	11/09/2026	LED WORKLIGHT	0001-51-9100-000-29000	89.00
IOWA DIVISION OF LABOR	382909	11/09/2026	ELEVATOR OPERATING PERMIT FEE & ANNUAL INSPECTION	0001-51-9100-787-61400	175.00
GSA TURF SERVICES LLC	3663	11/09/2026	WINTERIZATION OF IRRIGATION SYSTEMS (3 BLDGS)	0001-51-9100-000-48300	675.00
MENARDS	41578	11/09/2026	STEEL PLATE, SCREW CONNECTOR, LIGHT BULBS	0001-51-9100-755-44100	102.81
GRAINGER	9120694477	11/09/2026	MOP HEADS	0001-51-9100-782-23200	82.96
GRAINGER	9120694477	11/09/2026	MOP HEADS	0001-51-9100-788-23200	82.96
MUSCATINE POWER & WATER	102218 10/26	11/09/2026	HISTORIC JAIL 9/8-10/7/26	0001-51-9100-756-43000	49.04
MUSCATINE POWER & WATER	118556 10/26	11/09/2026	MAINT BLDG 9/8-10/20/26	0001-51-9100-758-43000	412.68
MUSCATINE POWER & WATER	118559 10/26	11/09/2026	ADMIN BLDG 9/8-10/7/26	0001-51-9100-788-43000	264.17
GRAINGER	9124324097	11/09/2026	AIR FILTERS	0001-51-9100-755-44100	460.98
MARK'S PLUMBING PARTS	ONV002307590	11/09/2026	O-RINGS, REPAIR KITS	0001-51-9100-755-44100	509.97
MENARDS	42005	11/09/2026	ICE MAKER SUPPLY LINE	0001-51-9100-758-44100	22.98
MENARDS	42030	11/09/2026	AIR HOSE, REDUCER, COUPLER, NIPPLE	0001-51-9100-758-44100	49.86
MENARDS	42142	11/09/2026	ADJUSTABLE TENSION SHEARS (2)	0001-51-9100-000-26000	6.02
GRAINGER	9136675668	11/09/2026	MAGNETIC DOOR STOPS (2)	0001-51-9100-755-44100	50.94
VISA	3038 10/26	11/09/2026	FOLDERS	0001-51-9100-000-26000	9.99
VISA	5553 10/26	11/09/2026	WATER FILTER REPLACEMENTS	0001-51-9100-000-26000	22.99
VISA	5553 10/26	11/09/2026	KNEELING PAD & WORKLIGHT	0001-51-9100-000-29000	113.99
VISA	5553 10/26	11/09/2026	MOWING FUEL	0001-51-9100-000-48300	89.89
VISA	0279 10/26	11/09/2026	MOWING FUEL	0001-51-9100-000-48300	25.08
OVESON REFUSE & RECYCLING..	84901	11/09/2026	CS/HHS/ADMIN TRASH PICK UP	0001-51-9100-000-47500	115.00

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OVESON REFUSE & RECYCLING..	84901	11/09/2026	CS/HHS/ADMIN TRASH PICK UP	0001-51-9100-751-47500	56.35
OVESON REFUSE & RECYCLING..	84901	11/09/2026	CS/HHS/ADMIN TRASH PICK UP	0001-51-9100-754-47500	58.65
MUSCATINE COUNTY ENGINE...	GEN SER 10/26	11/09/2026	GENERAL SERVICES OCT 2026 FUEL	0001-51-9100-000-25000	301.19
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	7406 10/26	11/09/2026	TRAIL CAMERA, CABLE LOCK, CAMERA STRAPS	0001-51-9100-000-29000	113.97
				Depart 51 - GENERAL SERVICES Total:	**3,941.47**
Depart: 52 - INFORMATION SERVICES					
VERIZON	6156127386	11/09/2026	JETPACKS & CELLULAR BACKUPS 9/19-10/18/26	0001-52-9110-000-41400	170.06
MUSCATINE POWER & WATER	180755 10/26	11/09/2026	DEDICATED CIRCUIT TO CS & BACKUP 9/21-10/19/26	0001-52-9110-000-41451	475.00
MUSCATINE POWER & WATER	180755 10/26	11/09/2026	DEDICATED CIRCUIT TO CS & BACKUP 9/21-10/19/26	0001-52-9110-000-41458	112.97
ADVANCED BUSINESS SYSTEM...	INV509662	11/09/2026	MANAGED COPIER PRINT & USAGE	0001-52-9110-000-42162	585.36
ADVANCED BUSINESS SYSTEM...	INV509663	11/09/2026	ZONING COPIER PRINT & USAGE	0001-52-9110-000-42162	29.50
ADVANCED BUSINESS SYSTEM...	INV509664	11/09/2026	MANAGED PRINT & USAGE	0001-52-9110-000-42161	427.62
HEARTLAND BUSINESS SYSTE...	925332-H	11/09/2026	CONSULTING & TRAINING	0001-52-9110-000-44600	220.00
GOVCONNECTION INC	78142428	11/09/2026	MEMORY UPGRADE FOR OFFICE 365 BACKUP NAS	0001-52-9110-000-63674	2,111.68
CLEARFLY COMMUNICATIONS	INV868317	11/09/2026	JL PHONE SYSTEM	0001-52-9110-000-41400	562.74
CLEARFLY COMMUNICATIONS	INV868319	11/09/2026	SO PHONE SYSTEM	0001-52-9110-000-41400	229.60
CLEARFLY COMMUNICATIONS	INV869561	11/09/2026	ENG PHONE SYSTEM	0001-52-9110-000-41400	154.12
CLEARFLY COMMUNICATIONS	INV869562	11/09/2026	ZON PHONE SYSTEM	0001-52-9110-000-41400	64.49
CLEARFLY COMMUNICATIONS	INV869630	11/09/2026	CONS PHONE SYSTEM	0001-52-9110-000-41400	82.72
CLEARFLY COMMUNICATIONS	INV869632	11/09/2026	ADM PHONE SYSTEM	0001-52-9110-000-41400	1,013.58
CLEARFLY COMMUNICATIONS	INV870936	11/09/2026	CS PHONE SYSTEM	0001-52-9110-000-41400	335.13
MUSCATINE POWER & WATER	104565 10/26	11/09/2026	DEDICATED CIRCUIT TO SO & BACKUP 9/25-10/25/26	0001-52-9110-000-41451	475.00
MUSCATINE POWER & WATER	104565 10/26	11/09/2026	DEDICATED CIRCUIT TO SO & BACKUP 9/25-10/25/26	0001-52-9110-000-41458	137.97
				Depart 52 - INFORMATION SERVICES Total:	**7,187.54**
Depart: 53 - PHYSICAL PLANNING-ZONING					
CITY OF MUSCATINE	0029762	11/09/2026	WELL WATER RETESTS (3)	0011-53-3020-000-43500	48.00
CITY OF MUSCATINE	0029762	11/09/2026	WELL WATER TESTS (13)	0011-53-3020-000-43500	364.00
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	7406 10/26	11/09/2026	PLASTIC PAIL & DISINFECTING WIPES	0011-53-3020-000-29300	7.89
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	7406 10/26	11/09/2026	CERTIFIED LETTER TOT INSPECTION WAIVER	0011-53-3020-000-41200	11.02
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	7406 10/26	11/09/2026	SHIPPING-WELL TEST TO STATE LAB	0011-53-3020-000-41200	20.77
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	7406 10/26	11/09/2026	FUEL	0011-53-6300-000-25000	137.95
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	7406 10/26	11/09/2026	RECEIPT BOOK	0011-53-6300-000-26000	12.49
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	7406 10/26	11/09/2026	LABELS	0011-53-6300-000-26000	7.22
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES	7406 10/26	11/09/2026	HARDWARE FOR 911 SIGNS	0011-53-6300-000-63800	14.64
HARPER, JOSEPH	WELL 9/26	11/09/2026	REIM WELL CHLORINATION BY WAYNE SMITH & SO...	0011-53-3020-000-43500	400.00
BECK, TIFFANY	WELL 9/26	11/09/2026	REIM WELL PLUGGING DONE BY LATTA WELL ON 9/10/26	0011-53-3020-000-43500	300.00
EATON, DENNIS	WELL 9/26	11/09/2026	REIM WELL CHLORINATION BY LATTA WELL 9/28/26	0011-53-3020-000-43500	294.25
				Depart 53 - PHYSICAL PLANNING-ZONING Total:	**1,618.23**
Depart: 70 - EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT					
MILLS MARINE	005310	11/09/2026	BOAT BATTERY & CABLE	4000-70-1210-000-49210	199.95
LIGHTING MAINTENANCE INC	19000	11/09/2026	CONESVILLE & BIDWELL SIREN REPAIRS	4000-70-1210-000-44602	1,563.40
LIGHTING MAINTENANCE INC	18655	11/09/2026	WEST VIEW PARK SIREN REPAIRS	4000-70-1210-000-44602	1,375.00

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MUSCATINE COUNTY ENGINE...	EMA 10/26	11/09/2026	EMA FUEL OCT 2026	4000-70-1210-000-25000	154.66
JASPER, CHRISTOPHER	REIM 10/26	11/09/2026	REIM HSEMD CONFERENCE MEALS	4000-70-1210-000-42233	90.85
				Depart 70 - EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT Total:	**3,383.86**
Depart: 71 - E-911					
CENTURYLINK COMMUNICAT...	804660335	11/09/2026	MONTHLY SERVICE 9/16-10/15/26	4010-71-0515-000-41400	842.94
IOWA HOMELAND SECURITY &..	305486	11/09/2026	QTR 1 PSAP PYMT PER IA CODE 34A.12	4010-71-0515-000-48100	7,983.15
MUSCATINE COUNTY JOINT C...	QTR 1 26/27	11/09/2026	50% GIS GRANT REIM QTR 1 2026/2027 GIS GRANT	4010-71-0515-000-26824	1,500.00
MAGIC	QTR 1 26/27	11/09/2026	50% GIS GRANT REIM QTR 1 2026/2027 GIS GRANT	4010-71-0515-000-26824	1,500.00
				Depart 71 - E-911 Total:	**11,826.09**
Depart: 75 - MEDICAL					
WAGEWORKS, INC	INV9551293	11/09/2026	OCT 2026 HC FSA ADMIN FEES	8500-75-0420-000-11300	262.50
WAGEWORKS, INC	INV9551293	11/09/2026	OCT 2026 DC FSA ADMIN FEES	8500-75-0420-000-11300	15.00
WELLMARK BCBS OF IA	OCT 2026	11/09/2026	MEDICAL/DENTAL INS CLAIMS SETTLED 10/1-10/31/26	8500-75-0420-000-11300	94,309.95
				Depart 75 - MEDICAL Total:	**94,587.45**
Depart: 97 - MUSCOM					
WINSOR CONSULTING GROUP...	28634	11/09/2026	COMPUTERS (2)	4050-97-1040-000-42700	4,959.88
AT&T MOBILITY	287295780368X10272026	11/09/2026	MONTHLY SERVICE DATA CARDS 9/20-10/19/26	4050-97-1040-000-41405	2,217.47
MUSCATINE POWER & WATER	182462 10/26	11/09/2026	MUSCOM PHONE & INTERNET 9/21-10/19/26	4050-97-1040-000-41400	499.31
MUSCATINE POWER & WATER	182462 10/26	11/09/2026	MUSCOM PHONE & INTERNET 9/21-10/19/26	4050-97-1040-000-41458	467.98
WINSOR CONSULTING GROUP...	28705	11/09/2026	HARD DRIVE REPLACEMENT	4050-97-1040-000-42700	314.45
CITY OF WEST LIBERTY	10-01360-00 11/26	11/09/2026	WEST LIBERTY TOWER SITE 9/15-10/15/26	4050-97-1040-000-43013	258.17
AMERICAN TOWERS CORP	5437694	11/09/2026	TOWER RENTAL 11/1-11/30/26	4050-97-1040-000-45512	4,284.86
WINSOR CONSULTING GROUP...	28785	11/09/2026	HARD DRIVE SHIPPING & HANDLING	4050-97-1040-000-42700	22.86
CCATT LLC	60556065	11/09/2026	CONESVILLE TOWER LEASE	4050-97-1040-000-45510	2,497.60
				Depart 97 - MUSCOM Total:	**15,522.58**
Depart: 99 - NONDEPARTMENTAL					
TEAM SERVICES, INC	1829032-0	11/09/2026	ENG/ZON BLDG REMODEL SOIL TESTING THRU 9/30/26	1500-99-0233-000-61005	370.20
TEAM SERVICES, INC	1829046-9	11/09/2026	ENG SATELLITE FACILITY - SOIL TESTING THRU 9/30/26	1500-99-0233-000-61019	1,794.64
LYNCH DALLAS PC	230919	11/09/2026	PERSONNEL CONSULTATION - UNION CONTRACTS	0001-99-9000-000-39300	1,548.50
LYNCH DALLAS PC	230962	11/09/2026	PERSONNEL CONSULTATION - HR	0001-99-9000-000-39300	387.00
DAXON CONSTRUCTION COM...	ENG SATELLITE PAY APP 3	11/09/2026	ENG SATELLITE FACILITY-SHEDS WORK DONE THRU 10/30	1500-99-0233-000-61019	182,402.68
MAGIC	00002199	11/09/2026	10/1-12/31/26 QTRLY MAGIC OPERATING CO EXPENSE	0060-99-9110-000-42076	29,600.00
IMWCA	INV00075	11/09/2026	WORK COMP PREM 26-27 INSTALLMENT #5 OF 7	0002-99-9210-000-46400	8,901.00
HORIZON ARCHITECTURE	G26-021-005	11/09/2026	CS BLDG REPAIR PHS 2 ARCHITECT SERVICES THRU 10/31	1500-99-0227-000-61010	1,250.00
				Depart 99 - NONDEPARTMENTAL Total:	**226,254.02**
				Grand Total:	**906,558.70**

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Fund Summary

Fund	Expense Amount
0001 - GENERAL BASIC	228,762.09
0002 - GENERAL SUPPLEMENTAL	9,153.05
0011 - RURAL SERVICES BASIC	1,618.23
0020 - SECONDARY ROAD	293,645.66
0029 - DTF ACCOUNT	2,419.91
0030 - JAIL COMMISSARY FUND	16,572.34
0033 - DTF FORFEITED-Treasury	147.00
0060 - GIS	29,600.00
1500 - CAPITAL PROJECTS	185,817.52
4000 - EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	3,383.86
4010 - E-911 TRUST	11,826.09
4050 - MUSCOM	15,522.58
5120 - DRUG TASK FORCE	13,092.92
8500 - GROUP INSURANCE TRUST	94,587.45
8501 - INSURANCE DEDUCTABLE TRUST	410.00
Grand Total:	**906,558.70**

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0001-01-9000-000-26000	OFFICE SUPPLIES	359.27
0001-01-9000-000-41200	POSTAGE/MAILING	400.38
0001-02-9010-000-40000	PUBLICATIONS & NOTIC…	150.00
0001-03-8100-000-41200	POSTAGE/MAILING	1,568.78
0001-03-8100-000-42100	MV RENEWAL NOTICES	345.80
0001-03-9020-000-41200	POSTAGE/MAILING	3,213.71
0001-04-1100-000-26100	REFERENCE MATERIALS	333.00
0001-04-1100-000-41200	POSTAGE/MAILING	151.41
0001-04-1100-000-41300	MILEAGE	223.04
0001-04-1100-000-41500	CELL PHONES/PAGERS	207.60
0001-04-1100-000-42232	TUITION/REGISTRATION	10.00
0001-04-1100-000-42233	MEALS & LODGING	8.00
0001-04-1100-000-42617	DEPOSITION/INTERPRET	1,522.62
0001-04-1100-000-42618	SERV OF PAPERS	1,110.87
0001-04-1100-000-48000	DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	30.00
0001-04-1102-000-26710	FINE COLLECTION PROG…	467.51
0001-05-1000-000-25000	FUELS	40.03
0001-05-1000-000-26000	OFFICE SUPPLIES	706.61
0001-05-1000-000-29600	SUPPLIES-SQUAD CARS	82.50
0001-05-1000-000-42233	MEALS & LODGING	542.74
0001-05-1000-000-43000	UTILITIES	471.58
0001-05-1000-000-48800	CANINE UNIT	140.00
0001-05-1000-000-63500	VEHICLE PURCHASE	4,290.00
0001-05-1000-000-63570	VEHICLE SET-UP EXP	3,573.72
0001-05-1010-000-49200	SECRET INVESTIGATIONS	40.01
0001-05-1011-000-26000	SUPPLIES	94.90
0001-06-1050-000-23200	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	114.70
0001-06-1050-000-23400	MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	72.87
0001-06-1050-000-25000	FUELS	594.32
0001-06-1050-000-26000	OFFICE SUPPLIES	493.99
0001-06-1050-000-29400	UNIFORMS	208.91
0001-06-1050-000-41200	POSTAGE/MAILING	79.37
0001-06-1050-000-42232	TUITION/REGISTRATION	1,125.00
0001-06-1050-000-42233	MEALS & LODGING	2,229.80
0001-06-1050-000-42870	MEDICAL CONTRACT	123,621.27
0001-06-1050-000-42871	MEDICAL SUPPLIES	3,158.08
0001-06-1050-000-44000	VEHICLE MAINT/REPAIR	60.77
0001-06-1050-000-63800	EQUIPMENT	530.69

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0001-06-1052-000-23000	FOOD & PROVISIONS	30,988.34
0001-06-1052-000-63800	EQUIPMENT/SUPPLIES	2,719.74
0001-07-8110-000-41200	POSTAGE/MAILING	79.86
0001-22-6100-000-26000	OFFICE SUPPLIES	95.03
0001-22-6110-000-21000	CONSTR/MAINT SUPPLIES	410.22
0001-22-6110-000-25000	FUELS	3,715.48
0001-22-6110-000-29000	EQUIPMENT & HAND T…	82.46
0001-22-6110-000-29300	SAFETY/PROTECT SUPPL…	328.40
0001-22-6110-000-41000	TEMP HELP	900.00
0001-22-6110-000-42232	TUITION/REGISTRATION	125.00
0001-22-6110-000-42233	MEALS & LODGING	645.17
0001-22-6110-000-43142	ELECTRIC-JACK SHUGER …	33.24
0001-22-6110-000-43200	WELL SAMPLING/SERVICE	250.00
0001-22-6110-000-43400	WATER COND HSE SBRA	22.99
0001-22-6110-000-44000	VEHICLE MAINT/REPAIR	78.73
0001-22-6110-000-44100	BUILDING MAINT & REP…	106.96
0001-22-6110-000-44600	EQUIP MAINT-REPAIR	109.19
0001-22-6110-000-45200	RENTAL MACHINERY	60.00
0001-22-6110-000-47500	WASTE DISPOSAL SERV	1,927.96
0001-22-6120-000-20000	FEED	269.29
0001-22-6120-000-29200	RECREATIONAL SUPPLIES	229.81
0001-24-3100-000-26000	OFFICE SUPPLIES	229.79
0001-24-3100-000-26200	DATA PROCESSING EQUI…	112.97
0001-25-3100-000-41400	TELEPHONE SERVICE	78.51
0001-25-3110-000-23000	FOOD & PROVISIONS	50.12
0001-25-3110-000-30600	PRESCRIPTIONS/MEDS	187.25
0001-25-3110-000-34000	RENT PAYMENTS	920.00
0001-25-3110-000-39906	TRUE LINK CARD FEES	1,420.00
0001-25-3200-000-12100	VA COMMISSIONERS	100.00
0001-25-3200-000-41300	MILEAGE	50.46
0001-25-3200-000-48000	DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	50.00
0001-25-3210-000-39000	FUNERAL SERVICES	1,500.00
0001-28-1110-000-26700	PROGRAM SUPPLIES	173.00
0001-28-1110-000-40200	LAB/AUTOPSY FEES	334.79
0001-28-1110-000-42232	TUITION/REGISTRATION	1,400.00
0001-30-1530-000-42500	COURT/ATTY-ADULTS	339.35
0001-31-3000-000-30749	CARE FOR YOURSELF GR…	2,467.51
0001-31-3000-000-30750	IMMUNIZATIONS/TB	2,365.97
0001-31-3000-000-32000	LOCAL PH SERVICES GR…	8,366.14
0001-51-9100-000-25000	FUELS	301.19
0001-51-9100-000-26000	OFFICE SUPPLIES	39.00
0001-51-9100-000-29000	EQUIPMENT/TOOLS	316.96
0001-51-9100-000-47500	WASTE DISPOSAL SERV	115.00
0001-51-9100-000-48300	MOWING/LANDSCAPING	789.97
0001-51-9100-751-47500	WASTE DISPOSAL-DHS	56.35
0001-51-9100-754-47500	WASTE DISPOSAL SERV-…	58.65
0001-51-9100-755-44100	BUILDING MAINT-JAIL	1,124.70
0001-51-9100-756-43000	UTILITIES-HISTORIC JAIL	49.04
0001-51-9100-758-43000	UTILITIES-MAINT SHOP	412.68
0001-51-9100-758-44100	BUILDING MAINT-MAINT…	72.84
0001-51-9100-782-23200	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES-SO	82.96
0001-51-9100-787-61400	ELEVATOR MAINT-CTHSE	175.00
0001-51-9100-788-23200	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES-A…	82.96
0001-51-9100-788-43000	UTILITIES-ADMIN	264.17
0001-52-9110-000-41400	TELEPHONE SERVICE	2,612.44
0001-52-9110-000-41451	METRO AREA NETWORK	950.00
0001-52-9110-000-41458	INTERNET SERV	250.94
0001-52-9110-000-42161	PRINTER MAINTENANCE	427.62

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0001-52-9110-000-42162	COPIER MAINTENANCE	614.86
0001-52-9110-000-44600	EQUIP MAINT-REPAIR	220.00
0001-52-9110-000-63674	NEW COMPUTER EQUI…	2,111.68
0001-99-9000-000-39300	LEGAL REPRESENTATION	1,935.50
0002-02-8000-000-26400	ELECTION SUPPLIES	90.52
0002-02-8000-000-40000	PUBLICATIONS & NOTIC…	90.29
0002-02-8000-000-41300	MILEAGE	46.24
0002-02-8000-000-48000	DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	25.00
0002-99-9210-000-46400	WORKMENS' COMPENS…	8,901.00
0011-53-3020-000-29300	SAFETY/PROTECT SUPPL…	7.89
0011-53-3020-000-41200	POSTAGE/MAILING	31.79
0011-53-3020-000-43500	WELL SAMPLING/TESTI…	1,406.25
0011-53-6300-000-25000	FUELS	137.95
0011-53-6300-000-26000	OFFICE SUPPLIES	19.71
0011-53-6300-000-63800	EQUIPMENT	14.64
0020-20-0201-310-62700	RIGHT OF WAY	22,325.15
0020-20-7000-120-63600	OFFICE EQUIP/FURNITU…	148.52
0020-20-7010-250-42330	BRIDGE INSPECTIONS	6,884.71
0020-20-7100-420-44700	BRIDGE MNT	68,996.10
0020-20-7110-461-44800	GRANULAR	49,093.70
0020-20-7110-466-44800	ASPHALT CONCRETE	84,026.21
0020-20-7110-483-44900	EROSION CONTROL	1,334.32
0020-20-7120-529-44800	MISCELLANEOUS	360.00
0020-20-7130-591-44810	SIGNS	4,250.00
0020-20-7140-490-44800	ROAD CLEARING	416.48
0020-20-7210-621-44300	PARTS	8,545.38
0020-20-7210-623-44300	OUTSIDE SERVICE	5,646.92
0020-20-7210-631-25000	GASOLINE	13,479.31
0020-20-7210-632-25000	DIESEL	22,771.29
0020-20-7210-634-25100	GREASE	168.60
0020-20-7210-637-25400	FILTERS-OIL/AIR	-39.70
0020-20-7210-638-25400	BATTERIES	157.95
0020-20-7210-649-25400	OTHER	505.78
0020-20-7210-650-49500	EQUIPMENT OPERATIO…	2,259.10
0020-20-7220-655-29000	EQUIPMENT & HAND T…	183.46
0020-20-7220-680-24000	HARDWARE	202.38
0020-20-7230-820-44100	BUILDING	1,930.00
0029-05-1010-000-26700	DTF OPERATING ACCOU…	2,419.91
0030-06-1053-000-23087	ITEMS FOR RESALE	15,473.21
0030-06-1053-000-63800	EQUIPMENT	1,099.13
0033-05-1000-000-39900	DTF FORFEITED-Treasury	147.00
0060-99-9110-000-42076	GIS-MAGIC OPERATIONS	29,600.00
1500-99-0227-000-61010	CS/DHC BUILDING REPAI…	1,250.00
1500-99-0233-000-61005	ENGINEER BUILDING RE…	370.20
1500-99-0233-000-61019	ENGINEER BUILDING AD…	184,197.32
4000-70-1210-000-25000	FUEL	154.66
4000-70-1210-000-42233	MEALS/LODGING	90.85
4000-70-1210-000-44602	SIREN REPAIR-OUTSIDE …	2,938.40
4000-70-1210-000-49210	SEARCH & RESCUE	199.95
4010-71-0515-000-26824	NG911-MAGIC/MUSCOM	3,000.00
4010-71-0515-000-41400	911 TELEPHONE LINES	842.94
4010-71-0515-000-48100	HSEMD PAYMENT	7,983.15
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4050-97-1040-000-41405	MOBILE DATA	2,217.47
4050-97-1040-000-41458	INTERNET SERV	467.98
4050-97-1040-000-42700	SERVICE AGREEMENTS	5,297.19
4050-97-1040-000-43013	UTILITIES-WEST LIBERTY …	258.17
4050-97-1040-000-45510	TOWER LEASE-CROWN …	2,497.60

Account Summary

Account Number	Account Name	Expense Amount
4050-97-1040-000-45512	TOWER LEASE-AMERICA...	4,284.86
5120-00-1010-000-49200	SECRET INVESTIGATIONS	13,092.92
8500-75-0420-000-11300	HEALTH INS	94,587.45
8501-00-0310-000-46600	INS DED TRUST	410.00
	Grand Total:	**906,558.70**

Project Account Summary

Project Account Key		Expense Amount
None		906,558.70
	Grand Total:	**906,558.70**

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- Iowa Code County Requirements in Relation to Community Services

What does Iowa Law require from the County?

Iowa law requires Muscatine County to provide general assistance to people who meet the statutory requirements and to appoint or designate a general assistance director. The law does not require a separate department named Community Services, a director devoted exclusively to that work, or a county-operated representative-payee, guardianship, or conservatorship program. The required function and the county's chosen organizational structure are different things.

Authority: Iowa Code §§ 252.1, 252.25–252.27; chapters 231E and 633.

1. What Community Services currently does

The county's website identifies two principal programs: General Assistance and Trust Services. General Assistance lists cremation assistance, food vouchers, personal-hygiene vouchers, rent assistance, shelter rent for eligible people staying at Muscatine Center for Social Action (MCSA), utilities vouchers, and other assistance as available. Trust Services describes representative-payee services when appointed by the Social Security Administration and court-appointed guardianship and conservatorship, including budgeting, bill payment and financial records.

Current services compared with state requirements

Advertised service	Muscatine required by Iowa Code to provide this service?	Authority and explanation
General Assistance	Yes—required county function.	§§ 252.1, .25–.27. Eligibility and unmet need matter; not every low-income resident automatically qualifies.
Food and personal-hygiene vouchers	Not a named requirement in the Iowa Code.	§ 252.27(1). Local county board given authority to determine form of assistance.
Rent and utilities assistance	Not a named requirement in the Iowa Code.	§§ 252.25(1), .27(1). Local county board to establish general rules as necessary to provide assistance.
MCSA shelter rent	Not a named requirement in the Iowa Code.	§ 252.27(1). Local county board given authority to determine form of assistance.
Cremation assistance	Not a named requirement in the Iowa Code: exception made for internment of an indigent veteran or immediate family of veteran.	§ 252.27(1) Allows county to pay for nonresident indigent-transient burial assistance, subject to § 142.1. Separate qualifying veterans burial duties appear in § 35B.14(3)–(4). These are not interchangeable benefits.
Representative-payee services	Not a named requirement in the Iowa Code.	Chapter 231E (Iowa Public Guardian Act) establishes a state-wide network of public

		guardians, conservators, and representative payees, and does not place this requirement upon local counties. Benefit-agency appointments (Such as by SSI or VA) carry separate federal obligations.
Court-appointed guardianship	Not a named requirement in the Iowa Code.	See Iowa code 633.635 for guardian responsibilities, and 633.669 for reporting requirements.
Court-appointed conservatorship	Not a named requirement in the Iowa Code.	See Iowa code 633.670 for conservator requirements and reporting responsibilities.
Resource information and coordination	Not a named requirement in the Iowa Code.	

2. What the required General Assistance program must do

Section 252.25(1) covers qualifying "poor persons lawfully in the county" when state or federal assistance is unavailable, urgently needed while approval and receipt are pending, or insufficient to meet actual needs. Section 252.1 uses an older, narrower definition involving lack of property and inability to earn a living because of physical or mental disabilities; it also permits assistance to needy people with some means when the Board finds it appropriate. Low income alone is not the full statutory test.

The Board of Supervisors establishes general rules, the forms of assistance, and standards governing amounts. The Code does not establish a uniform statewide rent payment, utilities allowance, or unrestricted cash benefit. Local discretion over benefit design does not remove the underlying statutory responsibility. § 252.25(1), 252.27(1).

The Board must appoint or designate a general assistance director and determine compensation. Section 252.26 prescribes no minimum weekly hours and no separate full-time department. In counties of 100,000 people or fewer, an assigned HHS employee may serve only under the agreement and HHS-direction arrangement the section describes. The county cannot assume HHS will take the position without that arrangement.

The general assistance director certifies assistance claims and bills and presents them to the Board; reasonable and proper claims must be paid. Applications, investigation reports, and case records are confidential, subject to statutory exceptions. § 252.35, 252.25(2).

A person may apply to a supervisor or the general assistance director for assistance. The general assistance director may provide temporary assistance as necessities require, subject to Board approval, and must immediately report the case to the Board. § 252.33.

A person refused required assistance by the director may appeal to the Board. The Board must record proceedings concerning assistance to particular people, and its decisions are subject to the statutory judicial-review process. § 252.37, 252.27(2).

3. Other related county duties

Mental Health Advocate

The county must appoint and reasonably compensate a qualified advocate for the patients covered by § 229.19. This is currently met and addressed under a Joint Exercise of Government Powers agreement, passed and approved by the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors on June 23rd, 2025, wherein Scott County is the employer of record for the full time Mental Health Advocate, and will request reimbursement from Muscatine when his services are required. Authority: § 23E, 229.19; county resolution 06-23-25-01.

Veterans affairs

Chapter 35B requires a county veterans commission, an executive director or administrator, an office in a county-owned, operated, or leased public building, prescribed qualifications and training, and population-based minimum weekly service hours. The commission's administration cannot be placed under another county agency. Qualifying burial obligations and records must also be preserved. Ordinary assistance appropriations under § 35B.14(1) use permissive language and should not be confused with the mandatory structure and burial duties. § 35B.3–.7, .10, .14, .19, as amended by SF 93 (2026).

Property-tax suspension

When the eligibility showing required by § 427.9 is made—for example, qualifying SSI or state supplementary-assistance receipt—the Board must order suspension of collection of the covered unpaid taxes, assessments, and charges. Annual eligibility verification is required. Suspension delays collection; it is not necessarily forgiveness. The Board and treasurer retain their legal roles even if Community Services helps with paperwork. Section 427.8 provides a separate petition-based avenue.

Guardianship and conservatorship court costs

Under § 633.561(3) and (6), qualifying indigent respondents' appointed-counsel and trial-transcript costs are assessed against the county where the proceedings are pending. **Paying those costs does not mean the county must itself serve as guardian or conservator.**

HHS office support

The county must provide and maintain necessary office space, supplies, and equipment. Statutory reimbursement covers a designated portion; full reimbursement is not guaranteed.

Emergency relief and intercounty claims

The Board retains emergency-relief supervision under § 251.6 and applicable reimbursement, certification, collection, and distribution responsibilities under § 252.24.

4. Relevant new legislation

House File 2305: signed May 2, 2026; effective July 1, 2026. Section 17 adds § 633.635(6), permitting guardian decisions under §§ 135J.3A, 144A.7, and 144A.7B without prior court approval, subject to those provisions' conditions. This gives guardians the authority to consent to: Hospice care, issuing a Do-Not-Resuscitate order, or withholding/withdrawing life-sustaining treatment *without a court order*.

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- Iowa Code 231E.4 Public Guardian Act

231E.4 State office of public guardian — established — duties — department rules.

1. A state office of public guardian is established within the department to create and administer a statewide network of guardians, conservators, and representative payees who provide guardianship, conservatorship, or representative payee services if other guardians, conservators, or representative payees are not available to provide the services.

2. The director shall appoint an administrator of the state office who shall serve as the state public guardian. The state public guardian shall be qualified for the position by training and expertise in guardianship, conservatorship, and representative payee law and shall be licensed to practice law in Iowa. The state public guardian shall also have knowledge of social services available to meet the needs of persons adjudicated incompetent or in need of guardianship, conservatorship, or representative payee services.

3. The state office shall do all of the following:

a. Select persons through a request for proposals process to establish local offices of public guardian. Local offices shall be established contingent upon the appropriation of necessary funds to the department as determined by the director.

b. Monitor and terminate contracts with local offices based on criteria established by rule of the department.

c. Retain oversight responsibilities for all local public guardians.

d. Act as a guardian, conservator, or representative payee if a local public guardian is not available to so act.

e. Work with the Iowa developmental disabilities council and other agencies to establish a referral system for the provision of guardianship, conservatorship, and representative payee services.

f. Develop and maintain a current listing of public and private services and programs available to assist protected persons and clients, and their families, and establish and maintain relationships with public and private entities to assure the availability of effective guardianship, conservatorship, and representative payee services for protected persons and clients.

g. Provide information and referrals to the public regarding guardianship, conservatorship, and representative payee services.

h. Maintain statistical data on the local offices including various methods of funding, the types of services provided, and the demographics of the protected persons and clients, and report pursuant to section 217.22.

i. Develop, in cooperation with the judicial council as established in section 602.1202, a guardianship, conservatorship, and representative payee education and training program. The program may be offered to both public and private guardians, conservators, and representative payees. The state office shall establish a curriculum committee, which includes but is not limited to probate judges, to develop the education and training program. The state office shall be the sole authority for certifying additional curriculum trainers.

4. The state office may do any of the following:

a. Accept and receive gifts, grants, or donations from any public or private entity in support of the state office. Such gifts, grants, or donations shall be appropriated pursuant to section 231E.9. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys retained by the department pursuant to this section shall not be subject to reversion to the general fund of the state.

b. Accept the services of individual volunteers and volunteer organizations. Volunteers and volunteer organizations utilized by the state office shall not provide direct guardianship, conservatorship, or representative payee services.

c. Employ staff necessary to administer the state office and enter into contracts as necessary.

5. The department shall provide administrative support to the state office.

6. The department shall adopt rules in accordance with chapter 17A necessary to create and administer the state office and local offices, relating to but not limited to all of the following:

a. An application and intake process and standards for receipt of guardianship, conservatorship, or representative payee services from the state office or a local office.

b. A process for the removal or termination of the state public guardian or a local public guardian.

c. An ideal range of staff-to-client ratios for the state public guardian and local public guardians.

d. Minimum training and experience requirements for professional staff and volunteers.

e. A fee schedule. The department may establish by rule a schedule of reasonable fees for the costs of public guardianship services provided under this chapter. The fee schedule established may be based upon the ability of the protected person or client to pay for the services but shall not exceed the actual cost of providing the services. The state office or a local office may waive collection of a fee upon a finding that collection is not economically feasible. The rules may provide that the state office or a local office may investigate the financial status of a protected person or client that requests guardianship, conservatorship, or representative payee services or for whom the state public guardian or a local public guardian has been appointed for the purpose of determining the fee to be charged by requiring the protected person or client to provide any written authorizations necessary to provide access to records of public or private sources, otherwise confidential, needed to evaluate the individual's financial eligibility. The rules may also provide that the state public guardian or a local public guardian may, upon request and without payment of fees otherwise required by law, obtain information necessary to evaluate the individual's financial eligibility from any office of the state or of a political subdivision or agency of the state that possesses public records.

f. Standards and performance measures for evaluation of local offices.

g. Recordkeeping and accounting procedures to ensure that the state office and local offices maintain confidential, accurate, and up-to-date financial, case, and statistical records. The rules shall require each local office to file with the state office, on an annual basis, an account of all public and private funds received and a report regarding the operations of the local office for the preceding fiscal year.

h. Procedures for the sharing of records held by the court or a state agency with the state office, which are necessary to evaluate the state office or local offices, to assess the need for additional guardians, conservators, or representative payees, or to develop required reports.

2005 Acts, ch 175, §133; 2009 Acts, ch 23, §44 – 46; 2012 Acts, ch 1023, §30; 2015 Acts, ch 137, §72, 162, 163; 2016 Acts, ch 1139, §49; 2018 Acts, ch 1041, §127; 2018 Acts, ch 1048, §5; 2023 Acts, ch 19, §589; 2024 Acts, ch 1009, §38, 39; 2024 Acts, ch 1018, §7, 13, 14

2024 amendment to subsection 3, paragraph h, by 2024 Acts, ch 1018, §7, applies retroactively to reports due on or after January 1, 2024; 2024 Acts, ch 1018, §14

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- FY26/27 Community Services Budget Breakdown

Trust Services
General Assistance
Veterans Affairs
Combination of Services

FY26/27 Community Services Budget

			Required General Assistance	Optional MCSA Payments	Required Veterans Affairs	Optional Trust Services
Community Services Budget **Expenses**	$ 1,176,816		$ 355,463	$ 163,863	$ 211,743	$ 445,747
Community Services Budget **Revenues**	$ 131,000		$ -	$ -	$ 10,000	$ 121,000
	Taxpayer funded		**$ 355,463**	**$ 163,863**	**$ 201,743**	**$ 324,747**
			44%		18%	38%

			% Trust		
Community Services Director	$	169,025	**50%**	$	84,513
Social Worker - Trust	$	98,551	**100%**	$	98,551
Social Worker - Trust	$	91,612	**100%**	$	91,612
Social Worker - Trust	$	87,359	**100%**	$	87,359
Financial/Office Support Specialist	$	74,672	**50%**	$	37,336
Overtime & On Call	$	12,763	**100%**	$	12,763
Office Items (Office Supplies, Software, Mileage, Training, Etc.)	$	67,227	**50%**	$	33,614
Administrative Secretary	$	69,159	**0%**	$	-
Social Worker- Case Management Spec	$	87,448	**0%**	$	-
MCSA Shelter & Rent Payments	$	163,863	**0%**	$	-
Other General Assistance	$	94,800	**0%**	$	-
Veterans Affairs Director	$	110,238	**0%**	$	-
Veterans Affairs Office Items	$	50,100	**0%**	$	-
	$	**1,176,816**			
Budgeted Trust Services Expense				$	445,747
Budgeted Trust Services Revenue				$	121,000
				$	**(324,747)**

Taxpayers costs for trust services		
$ 100,892	96	Guardianships
$ 29,427	28	Conservatorships
$ 194,428	185	Payees
$ 324,747	309	
*211 clients served		
98 receive multiple services		

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Trust client data provided by: Muscatine County Community Services Director

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- Trust Service Client Locations

city	number of residents (211)	type of facility
Altoona	1	group home
Ames	1	group home
Atlantic	1	group home
Belle Plaines	1	nursing home
Bellevue	2	Residential Care Facility
Bettendorf	2	nursing home
Burlington	6	group home
Cedar Falls	4	2 nursing home, 2 group home
Clinton	1	group home
Council Bluffs	3	group home
Davenport	6	2 nursing home, 4 group home
Dayton	1	group home
Delhi	2	Residential Care Facility
DesMoines	4	group home
DeWitt	1	group home
Dubuque	1	group home
Eldridge	1	temporarily staying with a friend
Evansdale	1	group home
Guttenberg	1	group home
Independence	1	MHI
Keosaqua	1	Residential Care Facility
Lutz	1	neurorestorative care center
Maquoketa	1	group home
Marion	1	group home
Muscatine	142	
North Liberty	1	group home
Ottumwa	1	group home
Primghar	1	Residential Care Facility
Tipton	6	group home
Waterloo	6	group home
West Liberty	2	private residence
Wilton	7	1 nursing home, 6 group home

Provided by: Muscatine County Community Services Director

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- Community Services Director Presentation

TRUE COST OF THE TRUST PROGRAM

Jessica Bopes, Director of Community Services

MUSCATINE COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES: A LEGACY OF SERVING OUR COMMUNITY SINCE 1936

In **January 1936**, the County Relief Office was formed. The relief office offered services such as food, cod liver oil, milk, clothing, shelter, and other necessities for residents of Muscatine County.

In the **1960s**, under Kenny Duncan, a friend of the court program was developed. Under this program, staff in community services would help residents that needed assistance with decision making.

Each year as a department, Community Services sets goals based on our mission. The way that we see ourselves is as a safety net for those community members that are falling through the cracks. Many times, we work hand in hand with families when possible. Many of our clients no longer have support from family and friends for various reasons.

Nearly 90 years later, the needs of our community have evolved, but our purpose remains the same.

SERVICES PROVIDED



Much of our work happens quietly, behind the scenes. But for the individuals we serve, our department is often the difference between stability and crisis. Many clients receive multiple services.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE: A MANDATED COUNTY RESPONSIBILITY

Required by Iowa Code 252.25

The Muscatine County Board of Supervisor is responsible for providing General Assistance to eligible county residents as mandated by Iowa Code 252.25.

Purpose: To provide temporary relief while helping individuals overcome barriers to self-sufficiency and economic independence

Community Services' **overall budget is $1,176,816.00**, out of this **$477,669.48** is allocated to general assistance or **40.59% of the budget.**

SUPPORTING MCSA

To meet the county's responsibility to assist individuals experiencing homelessness, the county partners with MCSA. Community Services provides financial administration of county payments.

$163,863.00 is the budget for these services, or **13.92%** of the total budget.

VETERAN SERVICE OFFICER: SERVING THOSE WHO SERVED

Required by Iowa Code: Muscatine County is required to provide veterans assistance services through its County Commission of Veteran Affairs.

Advocacy and Assistance: The Veterans Service Officer helps veterans and their families access federal benefits they have earned through military services.

Benefits secured: Assistance includes disability compensation, survivor benefits, low-income pensions, education benefits, burial benefits, and other eligible VA programs.

Community impact: The budget for these services is **$211,743.00, or 17.99**% of the budget.

Federal benefits paid monthly to county veterans and families is in excess of $1.6 million/month or $19.2 million annually

REPRESENTATIVE PAYEE (TRUST DEPARTMENT)

- A representative payee is appointed by the Social Security Administration to receive and manage Social Security or Supplemental Security Income payments, strictly in the best interest of the beneficiary.
- This is a client's own money that is managed by the Trust Department at Community Services.
- Needs are prioritized, such as food, housing, and utility expenses
- Budget is established to incorporate all needs after immediate needs are addressed.

As of the writing of this presentation, October 20, 2026, Muscatine County Community Services, serves 185 Muscatine Residents with the payee program.

There is no state program that provides this service, and very few private agencies that provide this service.

VA FIDUCIARY (TRUST DEPARTMENT)

The fiduciary program provides oversight of the VA's most vulnerable beneficiaries.

Veterans and survivors who are unable to manage their VA benefits on their own due to injury, diseases, advanced age, or other factors.

There must be medical documentation indicating the veteran cannot manage their finances.

As of October 20, 2026, Muscatine County Community Services serves as VA fiduciary to 10 veterans.

These are veterans in Muscatine County. Without this service they may become financially unstable.

GUARDIAN/CONSERVATOR (TRUST DEPARTMENT)

Guardians are appointed by the court to manage personal care, medical decisions, and living arrangements.

Conservators are appointed by the court to manage property, assets, and financial matters.

As of October 20, 2026, Muscatine County Community Services serves as guardian to **96 Muscatine County residents.**

As of October 20, 2026, Muscatine County Community Services serves as conservator to **28 people –**

There is no state conservator program; the people on our program for conservatorship do not meet the criteria for a bank.

GENERATING REVENUE WHILE PROVIDING ESSENTIAL SERVICES

Community Services projected revenue is **$121,000.00.**

Payee clients pay **$57/month**, which is the amount allowed by Social Security.

Guardianships/Conservatorship clients are charged **$300**/year.

VA Fiduciary clients are charged according to the formula allowed by the VA.

This is an **offsetting of county costs by 10.28%.**

WHAT DOES MUSCATINE COUNTY PAY FOR THIS SERVICE

FY 27 Budget overall: $1,176,816

VA: $211,743.00

Substance abuse transportation: $16,000.00

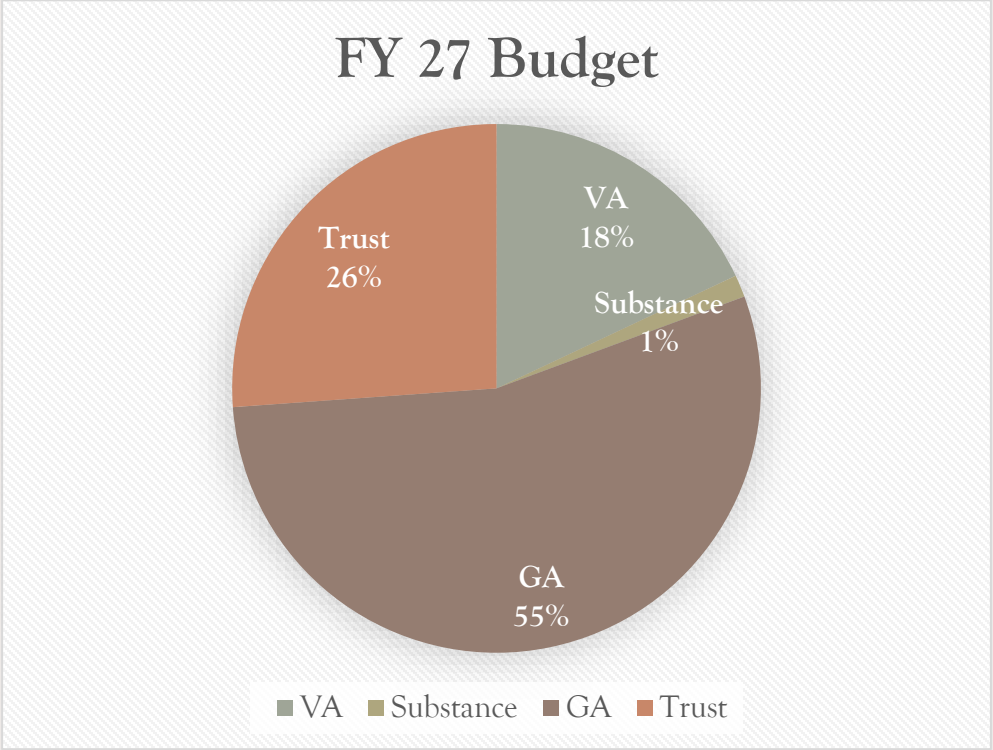
GA – MCSA: $163,863.00

General Assistance required by code: $477,669.48

Trust staff and expenses: $307,540.52

Trust revenue: $121,000.00

True cost of trust is $186,540.52



TRUST PROGRAM CLIENTS PUT BACK INTO THE COMMUNITY

FY 25 – 26 Client Disbursements; this is money paid from the client's money towards the following:

Rent: $681,530.48

Mortgage payments: $10,879.50

Utilities: $220,890.87

Fines: $15,731.21

Prepaid burials: $80,615.65

Medical services, supplies, prescriptions: $49,045.07

Food: $487,752.70

FY25-26 Client Disbursements					
	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	FY Total
Utilities	$ 57,243.04	$ 52,459.56	$ 61,417.31	$ 49,770.96	$ 220,890.87
Rent	$ 168,916.50	$ 178,053.63	$ 163,391.68	$ 171,168.67	$ 681,530.48
Client Participation	$ 170,929.93	$ 192,056.03	$ 221,584.34	$ 229,650.34	$ 814,220.64
Mortgage	$ 645.00	$ 1,935.00	$ 5,502.00	$ 2,797.50	$ 10,879.50
Property Taxes	$ 1,056.00	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 1,056.00
Fines	$ 2,334.25	$ 3,996.00	$ 5,726.96	$ 3,674.00	$ 15,731.21
Room & Board (Jail)	$ 1,820.00	$ 3,620.00	$ 1,670.00	$ 2,410.00	$ 9,520.00
Court Fees	$ 335.00	$ 560.00	$ 90.00	$ 275.00	$ 1,260.00
Court Report Fee	$ 4,810.00	$ 3,300.00	$ 2,420.00	$ 6,020.00	$ 16,550.00
Medical Services, Supplies, Rx	$ 15,673.59	$ 11,846.64	$ 11,253.42	$ 10,271.42	$ 49,045.07
Burial Plan	$ 21,273.66	$ 23,811.67	$ 18,676.36	$ 16,853.96	$ 80,615.65
Total	$ 445,036.97	$ 471,638.53	$ 491,732.07	$ 492,891.85	$ 1,901,299.42

STATE OFFICE OF PUBLIC GUARDIAN

Currently there are 76 people on the waiting list for services.

The list goes back to May of 2025 for non-emergent cases.

Jessica Bopes/Muscatine County Community Services is assigned by the court for guardianships/conservatorships; how will these clients be handed off? Who will take them?

In consultation with the public guardian's office, she thinks a transition time would be three to four years.

KEEPING FEDERAL MONEY IN THE COMMUNITY

The trust workers ensure their clients are eligible for federal programs as well including:

- Food stamps
- Medicaid
- Section 8
- LIHEAP
- Other benefit programs that keep members of our community housed, fed, and with access to medical care.

OUT OF COUNTY

Muscatine County Community Services Trust Program does not attract people to move from out of county. The breakdown for out of county people that stayed at MCSA from September 2025 to September 2026 is as follows:

- 20 households checked into MCSA from out of county due to having family in the area or a job in the area, and looking for housing.
- 18 households came from jail, a medical facility, or HHS.
- 5 households came from other shelters outside of Muscatine County.

Muscatine County Community Services only pays for county residents. Muscatine County pays $15/day for a maximum of 60 days for a lifetime. Out of county residents are not eligible for this payment and have much shorter stays at the shelter. Out of county residents are not entitled to Trust services or general assistance; except for a one-way bus ticket back to their home.

CASE EXAMPLE

From June 15, 2026, forward, the known direct taxpayer/public-system cost is already approximately **$254,332.50:**

Client has spent:

80 days in jail: $5760

131 days hospitalized: $248,572.50

This figure does not include transportation, law-enforcement time, civil commitment expenses, court proceedings, and other administrative costs.

Beyond the financial cost, the pattern demonstrates repeated periods of incarceration, hospitalization, crisis intervention, and court involvement. Appointment of a guardian may provide an opportunity for greater continuity, coordination of medical and behavioral-health services, appropriate placement, advocacy, and earlier intervention before situations escalate to hospitalization, arrest, or commitment.

CASE SCENARIO, MCCS SERVES AS GUARDIAN, CONSERVATOR, PAYEE

Prior to guardianship and structured support, this client was couch-surfing and did not have stable housing. The client was receiving Social Security benefits and was making poor medical decisions that raised concerns regarding the client's health, safety, and long-term stability.

Today, the client's circumstances are significantly different.

The client is now employed full-time and is working enough hours that the client no longer financially qualifies for Social Security benefits. The client now lives in a home and contributes financially towards rent, utilities, and grocery expenses, and has also been able to establish money in savings.

In addition, **the client pays $600 per year in court costs associated with the guardianship/conservatorship**.

WHAT IF WE DON'T HAVE THESE PROGRAMS?

- The homeless population will soar.
- Criminal behavior will increase; this will put strain on the law enforcement, the jail, and the county attorney's office.
- Mental health commitments will increase (many costs associated with a commitment are not covered by Medicaid such as sheriff transportation, court costs, etc.).
- Clients will end up on the hamster wheel of jail, homeless, hospital, at taxpayer's expense.
- Many times, we can stop evictions if we agree to become payee as landlords know they will receive their rent on time.
- Community members refer citizens to our office because they know we will help them, and we will keep their concerns and problems confidential.

WHY AREN'T OTHER COUNTIES DOING THIS?

The true strength of local government lies in its ability to care for the people it serves. We should take tremendous pride in being part of a community like Muscatine, where we can make a meaningful difference in the lives of our most vulnerable residents. These services are more than just programs funded by the government – they reflect our community's values, compassion, and commitment to one another. Our success should not be measured solely by the dollars we save, but by the lives we protect, the stability we provide, and the people we help remain safely in the community they call home. That is the true purpose and lasting impact of local government.

LOCATIONS OF PEOPLE WE SERVE

City	Number of residents	Type of facility
Altoona	1	Group home
Ames	1	Group home
Atlantic	1	Group home
Belle Plaine	1	Nursing home
Bellevue	2	Residential Care Facility
Bettendorf	2	Nursing home
Burlington	6	Group home
Cedar Falls	4	2 nursing home, 2 group home
Clinton	1	Group home
Council Bluffs	3	Group home
Davenport	6	2 nursing home, 4 group home
Dayton	1	Group home
Delhi	2	Residential Care Facility
Des Moines	4	Group home
DeWitt	1	Group home
Dubuque	1	Group home
Eldridge	1	Temporarily staying with a friend
Evansdale	1	Group home
Guttenberg	1	Group home
Independence	1	MHI
Keosaqua	1	Residential Care Facility
Lutz	1	Neurorestorative care center
Maquoketa	1	Group home
Marion	1	Group home
Muscatine	142	
North Liberty	1	Group home
Ottumwa	1	Group home
Primghar	1	Residential Care Facility
Tipton	6	Group home
Waterloo	6	Group home
West Liberty	2	Private residence
Wilton	7	1 nursing home, 6 group home

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- Trust Services Support Letters

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October 27, 2026

TO THE MUSCATINE COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Dear Members:

I have learned of your proposal to cut the payee, guardian and conservator program. I am writing in hopes that you will reconsider. These cuts will have a negative impact on those with mental illness and disabilities in our community. I have a number of tenants who greatly benefit from this program. Without a payee to handle their finances, they will become homeless. I know firsthand that these clients are simply unable to handle their finances responsibly on their own. Some may have family who would be willing to step up and accept the role as payee, but many do not.

Earlier this year, I rented to one such person with the understanding that they had a payee. It turns out they did not. It took months for her to secure a payee, and in the meantime, she paid absolutely nothing towards the rent. She was able to get some financial assistance from MCSA, but not indefinitely, which is understandable. She finally got the state to accept her application for a payee, which was an ordeal in itself. Securing a payee saved her from losing her housing.

This program has made it possible for those with disabilities to find secure housing and has allowed me to consistently provide that. Without the program, we're looking at a drastic increase in homelessness.

I believe that this community prides itself on looking out for those with mental disabilities. This is an opportunity for the board to stand up and make a difference in the lives of those who are vulnerable. I implore you to reconsider this cut.

Sincerely,

Becky Rusher

Becky Rusher

October 24, 202

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors:

It has come to my attention that the BOS is proposing to end the Trust Program through Muscatine County Community Services. This program has a long history of providing payee, conservatorship, and guardianship services individuals with disabilities in Muscatine County. Many individuals are unable to effectively and safely manage their monthly SSI, SSDI, or Social Security benefits and through the Trust Program it is ensured that their rent, utilities, and other basic needs are met each month. The Trust Program benefits not only the individuals directly served but the community as a whole. Landlords get their rent, utility bills stay up to date, and people have money for food and other essentials. There are many people currently served by this program who lack any family or other natural supports who might otherwise fill these roles.

I have the following questions:

1. What is the reasoning for the BOS wanting to end the Trust Program?
2. What is the transition plan if the program ends, how will payee, conservator and guardianship services be handled and by whom?
3. What will happen to the Community Services staff who are currently working in this program? Will they be laid off or transferred to other duties?

As a citizen of Muscatine County I have serious concerns about the County ending these services.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

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28 October 2026

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
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Dear Members of the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to express my support for Muscatine County Community Services and the essential role its guardianship, conservatorship, and representative payee programs play in the well-being of our community. Through my work in public health and community partnerships, I recognize that health and well-being extend far beyond access to medical care. Financial stability, personal safety, and access to supportive services are foundational to a person's ability to live a healthy and dignified life.

Muscatine County Community Services currently serves approximately 200 individuals through these programs. For residents who need assistance managing their finances or navigating important personal decisions, these services provide critical support and oversight. They also contribute to a broader system of care that helps connect vulnerable individuals with the resources they need.

Eliminating these programs raises important questions about continuity of care, the availability of alternative providers, and the potential consequences for individuals and families who rely on these services. Any immediate budget savings should be considered alongside the potential for increased demand on other community systems, including health care, housing assistance, and social services.

I recognize the difficult decisions involved in managing county resources. As the Board considers these proposed reductions, I respectfully encourage a thorough assessment of the people affected, the availability of alternative services, and the long-term implications for our community. A healthy community is one that supports the dignity, safety, and well-being of all its residents, particularly those who face the greatest barriers to stability and independence.

Thank you for your public service and thoughtful consideration of the important role Muscatine County Community Services plays in our community.

Sincerely,

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Muscatine County Coordinator

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MEMORANDUM FOR: County Board of Supervisors
FROM: Luana Gredell, Parent of Mentally Challenged Adult Son Utilizing Payee Services for 30 years
SUBJECT: Preserving Payee and Guardianship Services for Adults With Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities and Their Aging Parents

Purpose

This memorandum urges the County Board of Supervisors to preserve funding for representative payee and guardianship services for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities whose parents and other caregivers are aging, ill, or no longer able to manage critical financial and personal affairs.

Bottom Line Up Front

Reducing or eliminating these services may create immediate short-term budget savings, but it will shift far greater human and financial costs to families, emergency systems, courts, hospitals, homeless services, law enforcement, and already-overextended County programs. For many vulnerable adults, a trusted payee or guardian is not an administrative convenience, it is the safeguard that keeps income available for housing, food, medication, utilities, and basic stability.

The Human Impact

Many adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities rely on an elderly parent—to manage Social Security or disability income, pay rent and utilities, monitor debts, arrange care, and protect them from financial exploitation. These parents frequently carry this responsibility long after they are physically able to do so because they fear what will happen to their adult child when they are gone.

County-supported payee and guardianship programs provide a transition when a parent becomes ill, enters a care facility, develops cognitive decline, or dies. They offer continuity, oversight, and a responsible party who can ensure that the individual's limited income is used for essential needs.

If these services are cut, families may be left with no realistic plan for what happens next. An aging parent may be forced to continue managing complex financial and legal responsibilities beyond their capacity, placing both the parent and adult child at risk. In the most painful cases, a parent may die or become incapacitated without a successor in place, leaving a vulnerable adult suddenly unable to access funds, pay bills, retain housing, or navigate a crisis.

Likely Consequences of Service Reductions

A reduction in representative payee and guardianship services could result in:

- **Loss of housing.** Rent, mortgages, utilities, and required program fees may go unpaid, leading to eviction, utility shutoffs, or placement instability.
- **Interrupted access to food, medication, and transportation.** Without reliable bill payment and budgeting, individuals may be unable to purchase essentials or attend medical, employment, day-program, or treatment appointments.
- **Increased vulnerability to exploitation.** Adults who have difficulty understanding contracts, scams, debt, or financial transactions may become targets for theft, coercion, predatory lending, or misuse of benefits.
- **Escalating debt and damaged credit.** Late fees, collections, overdraft charges, unpaid medical bills, and utility arrearages can accumulate quickly and become difficult to resolve.
- **Family crisis and caregiver burnout.** Older parents and siblings may be compelled to assume responsibilities without the capacity, legal authority, financial knowledge, or availability to do so safely.
- **Higher public-system costs.** Preventable financial instability can lead to emergency shelter use, hospitalization, crisis intervention, adult protective services referrals, court proceedings, law-enforcement involvement, and more expensive institutional or residential placements.
- **Loss of individual dignity and independence.** The absence of appropriate support can force adults into more restrictive settings or make them dependent on unstable, informal arrangements rather than allowing them to live safely in the community.

Who Will Manage Income and Debt if County Services Are Reduced?

If County payee and guardianship services are no longer available, the responsibility will not disappear. It will shift—often to less prepared, less accountable, or less stable alternatives.

Alternative	Potential Benefits	Risks and Negative Side Effects
Aging parent	Knows the individual's needs and preferences.	May be ill, cognitively impaired, financially strained, isolated, or unable to sustain the responsibility. Creates no reliable succession plan when the parent dies or becomes incapacitated.
Sibling or other relative	May provide caring, familiar support.	Relatives may live elsewhere, have work and child-care demands, lack financial expertise, or have family conflict. Not every individual has a willing or appropriate relative.
Friend, neighbor, or informal helper	May provide temporary assistance.	May lack legal authority, training, accountability, and consistency. This arrangement can expose the adult to exploitation, missed payments, and disputes over money.
Private professional guardian or fiduciary	Can provide specialized services.	Often costly, limited in availability, and inaccessible to people living on fixed incom Caseloads may be high, reducing personal attention and responsiveness.
Bank trust or financial-management service	May offer structured money management for those with sufficient assets.	Generally impractical for individuals with low incomes or small benefit payments may not address personal decisions, advocacy, housing issues, or crisis respons
Self-management with limited support	Can promote autonomy when an individual has the capacity and supports needed.	Without tailored training and safeguards, th person may miss bills, incur debt, lose benefits, or be exploited. Self-management should be a supported choice —not a budget-driven abandonment of assistance.
Court appointment after a crisis occurs	Provides a formal path when no one else is available.	Court involvement is often slow, stressfu and expensive. By the time a case reaches court, housing, benefits, health, or safety may alre be in jeopardy.
Adult Protective Services or emergency intervention	Can respond when abuse, neglect, or exploitation is reported.	These systems are crisis-response mechanisms, not substitutes for ongoing financial management. Intervention after harm occurs is more cost and less humane than prevention.

Fiscal Considerations

The Board should consider the full cost of cutting these services, not only the line-item savings. A missed rent payment can become an eviction. An eviction can become emergency shelter use. A utility shutoff can become a health or safety emergency. Unmanaged debt can become a court matter. Financial exploitation can lead to investigations, hospitalization, institutional placement, or long-term dependence on higher-cost public services.

Representative payee and guardianship services are preventive infrastructure. They help stabilize individuals before a manageable problem becomes a public crisis. The County may save money only on paper if costs are later transferred to courts, hospitals, emergency responders, adult protective services, housing programs, and families.

Recommended Alternatives to a Full Service Cut

If the County faces unavoidable fiscal constraints, it should consider options that preserve essential protections while reducing costs responsibly:

1. **Maintain a core County safety-net program** for adults with no capable or available family member and those at highest risk of homelessness, exploitation, or institutionalization.
2. **Use a tiered service model** that provides intensive guardianship only where legally necessary, while offering representative payee services, budgeting assistance, case management, and supported decision-making for others.
3. **Establish a caregiver transition program** for aging parents, including succession planning, benefits education, emergency contacts, and early referral before a family crisis occurs.
4. **Develop partnerships with qualified nonprofit providers, legal-aid organizations, disability-service agencies, and financial institutions** while retaining County oversight and accountability.
5. **Create a sliding-scale or cost-sharing structure** only when doing so does not place essential services beyond the reach of low-income adults.
6. **Prioritize prevention and early intervention.** A modest investment in bill management, benefits protection, and financial monitoring may prevent expensive emergency placements and court actions.
7. **Seek grant, state, federal, and philanthropic support** for guardianship modernization, supported decision-making, and financial-management programs.

8. **Require a transition plan before any current client loses services.** No adult should be discharged from payee or guardianship support without a verified successor, documented plan, and safeguards for housing, benefits, and debt obligations.

Request to the Board

We respectfully ask the County Board of Supervisors to reject reductions that would leave vulnerable adults without a responsible means to manage their income, pay essential expenses, protect benefits, and address debt. At minimum, the Board should preserve services for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities who have aging parents, no available family support, limited financial capacity, or a documented risk of exploitation, homelessness, or crisis.

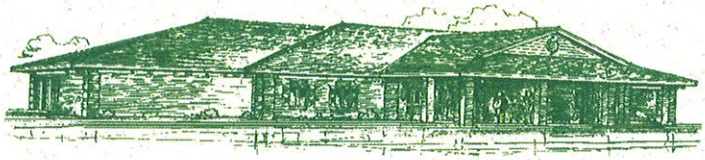
The question is not whether these responsibilities will continue to exist. They will. The question is whether they will be handled through planned, accountable, compassionate support—or after a crisis, at greater cost and with far greater harm to the individual and family.

For aging parents, the continued availability of these services offers something invaluable: the reassurance that their adult child will not be left alone to face a world of bills, debt, housing risks, and financial decisions without protection. Preserving this safety net is not only fiscally prudent; it is a statement of the County's commitment to dignity, stability, and care for its most vulnerable residents.

Sincerely,
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October 26, 2026

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing this letter in support of our Muscatine County Community Services, specifically the Payee, Guardian, and Conservator programs.

Our funeral home staff works with Lisa, Ashley, Kate and Emma on a regular basis providing funeral services for many families in our community. One of the services provided enable us to keep the number of County paid indigent burials to a minimum. They accomplish this by educating individuals about final expenses and helping them plan and save in advance. Having the finances available when needed, prevents the need for Community Services to step in with finances at the time of passing.

There are many other services provided through these programs that are critical in keeping our community balanced. These programs provide a much-needed advocate for individuals that cannot take care of themselves without some assistance. Not only do these individuals have no family or friends capable of helping them, but there are no other services available for them to reach out to. It is not a stretch to the imagination, that without these programs our community will be supporting these individuals instead of assisting them. These programs are helping good people that require some assistance to thrive in our community, instead of being a burden.

Very Sincerely,

Joseph Vogel

October 21, 2026

To: Muscatine Community Services Center Board of Directors

RE: Support for Continued Guardianship, Conservatorship, and Representative Payee Services

Dear Board Members,

I am writing to express my strong support for the continuation of the guardianship, conservatorship, and representative payee programs offered through Muscatine Community Services Center (MCSC).

As a Disability Service Navigator with Disability Access Point (DAP), I work with individuals experiencing disabilities, mental health challenges, housing instability, and other barriers that make accessing and maintaining essential services difficult. Through my role, I have referred several individuals to MCSC and have collaborated with MCSC staff to coordinate services for individuals we mutually support.

I have seen firsthand how important these programs are to the people who depend on them.

One of the most significant challenges we face in the human services field is the lack of available guardianship, conservatorship, and representative payee providers. Many individuals have no family members or natural supports who are willing or able to assume these responsibilities. For these individuals, programs like those offered through MCSC are not simply convenient resources; they can be essential to their safety, financial stability, and ability to remain in the community.

The waiting period for state guardianship services can be extremely lengthy, and alternative community resources are limited. When an individual needs someone to help protect their

interests, manage benefits, or make legally authorized decisions, there are often very few places to turn.

In my work across multiple counties, I regularly encounter this gap in services. In fact, I wish programs like MCSC's were available to individuals throughout our surrounding counties because the need extends far beyond Muscatine County.

The potential elimination of these programs is concerning because the need will not disappear when the funding does. Instead, individuals may face increased risks of financial exploitation, unpaid bills, housing instability, interrupted care, and unnecessary institutionalization. Hospitals, residential providers, case managers, and other community organizations will be left searching for alternatives that may not exist.

MCSC has been a valuable community partner, providing services to individuals whose needs can be complex and whose options are often limited. Having an established local organization that understands these challenges and is willing to serve this population is an asset that would be difficult to replace.

I recognize that funding decisions are difficult and that organizations must evaluate available resources. However, I respectfully ask the Board to consider the long-term impact of eliminating these programs, not only on the individuals currently served but also on the broader network of community providers who rely on these services.

Eliminating a program does not eliminate the need for the service. It simply leaves that need unmet.

I strongly encourage the Board to preserve these essential programs and, if funding challenges make that difficult, explore alternative funding opportunities or partnerships before considering their elimination.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and commitment to the individuals and families served throughout Muscatine County.

Sincerely,

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Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

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RE: Proposed Elimination of Community Services Programs

Dear Muscatine County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the potential elimination of the representative payee, guardianship and conservatorship programs provided through Muscatine County Community Services.

This is an issue that hits close to home for me and our family.

My brother, Mark, has severe autism, is nonverbal and lives in a group home. He relies heavily on Community Services for support as a payee with his daily needs and overall well-being. Because of his disability and communication challenges, Mark cannot always express his needs or advocate for himself in the ways many of us take for granted. Having people who understand his circumstances, look out for his best interests and help ensure his needs are met is incredibly important.

As his brother, I have seen firsthand how much these services mean, not only to Mark but also to our family. There is tremendous peace of mind in knowing that people who genuinely care about his well-being are helping him navigate a world that can be especially challenging for someone in his situation.

For individuals like my brother, these programs are not luxuries. They are essential services that help provide stability, security and dignity.

Community Services currently supports approximately 200 individuals through these programs, including 94 who receive guardianship services. That is 200 people whose lives could be significantly disrupted by the elimination of these programs. These are individuals who rely on assistance managing their finances, paying rent, purchasing groceries, accessing medical care and ensuring their basic needs are met.

My question to the Board is simple: Where are these individuals supposed to go if these services are eliminated?

Without that support, many could face significant hardships, including financial instability, inadequate care or even homelessness. And from my understanding, there simply aren't enough alternative providers or resources in our community to absorb the number of individuals currently being served.

Being a life resident of Muscatine, I am concerned to see reports of proposed

cuts to Community Services, specifically the payee, guardian, and conservator programs that help our most vulnerable neighbors manage their finances and pay for rent, groceries, and medical care.

It is reported that managed funds come directly from clients' benefits (Social Security, VA, etc.)—not county tax dollars.

Eliminating this safety net won't save tax money, but it will risk pushing community members into hunger or homelessness. This isn't the way Muscatine has treated our vulnerable neighbors in the past and I hope these cuts can be avoided.

Sincerely,

Lisa Longtin

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For decades, Community Services has been a vital part of Muscatine County. With a history stretching back at least 60 years, it has established itself as a trusted and consistent resource for individuals and families who need assistance. It is one of those institutions that makes our community special, even if much of its work happens quietly and without public recognition.

Community Services serves as a hub for people seeking help. When someone reaches out with a question or concern, staff members work to provide answers and guidance. Even when they cannot directly provide a particular service, they help connect individuals and families with other resources that may be able to assist.

That kind of accessibility and consistency matters, particularly for people navigating complicated circumstances or systems they may not fully understand.

What makes Community Services especially valuable is the personal approach its staff members bring to their work. These are not simply names on a roster or numbers in a budget. They are individuals with unique needs, challenges and circumstances. The staff members who work with them develop relationships, understand their situations and genuinely care about their well-being.

It is a comprehensive, person-centered approach that goes beyond simply managing someone's finances or completing paperwork. It provides reassurance to individuals and their families that someone is looking out for their best interests.

That personal connection and institutional knowledge cannot easily be replaced, particularly when there are already limited alternatives available in our community.

I understand that county officials are facing difficult budget decisions, particularly with changes in funding and responsibilities coming from the state level. I also recognize the importance of being responsible stewards of taxpayer dollars.

However, I would urge the Board to carefully consider the human consequences of eliminating these services.

While the benefits managed through these programs come from sources such as Social Security and veterans benefits, the administrative support needed to help individuals manage those resources is invaluable. Eliminating these programs would not eliminate the need for these services. It would simply shift the responsibility elsewhere, potentially onto families, already-strained social service organizations or other public agencies.

And what happens to individuals who don't have family members capable of stepping in to help? What happens to individuals like my brother, who cannot always communicate their needs or advocate for themselves? Who will ensure their voices are heard, their basic needs are met and their best interests are protected?

That is what concerns me most.

My brother is fortunate to have family members who care deeply about his well-being. But even with that support, programs such as these play an important role in helping people maintain stability and independence. Not everyone has a strong family support system to fall back on.

For those individuals, Community Services may be one of the few consistent sources of assistance and advocacy in their lives.

I would hope that before making any decision, the Board would carefully examine how many individuals currently rely on these programs, what alternatives realistically exist and whether those alternatives have the capacity to serve everyone who would be affected.

If approximately 200 individuals are currently receiving assistance, including 94 through guardianship services, there needs to be a realistic and clearly defined plan for how those needs would continue to be met. Simply eliminating a program without ensuring that adequate alternatives exist could create far more problems than it solves.

A community should be judged, in part, by how it treats and supports those who need help.

For at least six decades, Community Services has been part of Muscatine County's commitment to helping those individuals. Its staff members have built relationships, provided stability and served as a dependable resource for people who might otherwise struggle to get the assistance they need.

That history of service, compassion and personal commitment is not something that can easily be recreated elsewhere.

I respectfully ask the Board of Supervisors to reconsider any proposal to eliminate these programs and to prioritize maintaining this critical safety net for the individuals and families who depend on it.

Thank you for your time, consideration and service to Muscatine County.

Sincerely,



Matt Coss

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Muscatine, IA

Dear Members of the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to express my strong support for continuing the guardianship, conservatorship, VA fiduciary, and representative payee programs provided through Muscatine County Community Services.

I understand the Board must carefully consider the financial cost of operating these programs. However, the decision should also account for the far greater human and financial consequences that could result if these services are eliminated.

Approximately 200 vulnerable residents rely on these programs to maintain stable housing, manage their finances, access essential services, and remain safe in the community. Many live with disabilities, mental health challenges, cognitive impairments, or other circumstances that make it difficult to independently manage critical aspects of daily life. These services help ensure that clients' own income and personal funds are used responsibly to pay rent, utilities, food, medical expenses, and other basic necessities. By providing this structure and oversight, the programs support stability while helping clients remain as independent as possible.

Eliminating these services would not eliminate the needs of the people who depend on them. Instead, it could shift those needs, along with substantially higher costs, to other public systems. Loss of financial and housing stability can lead to homelessness, emergency-room visits, psychiatric hospitalizations, emergency shelter placements, law-enforcement involvement, and incarceration. Preventing these crises is both more humane and more cost-effective than responding after they occur.

I respectfully urge the Board to preserve these essential programs and recognize them as an investment in the safety, dignity, and stability of vulnerable Muscatine County residents.

Sincerely,

Mikala Liles

Dear Members of the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to express my strong support for continuing the guardianship, conservatorship, VA fiduciary, and representative payee programs provided through Muscatine County Community Services. I understand that the county has to make difficult decisions when it comes to budgets and finances. However, I truly hope that before any decisions are made to eliminate these programs, you take a step back and look at the bigger picture—not just the cost of providing these services, but the lives that depend on them every single day.

Approximately 200 individuals rely on these programs to help maintain their independence, keep a roof over their heads, manage their finances, access necessary services, and live safely in our community. These are real people with real needs. Many face disabilities, mental health challenges, cognitive impairments, or other circumstances that make it difficult or impossible for them to manage certain aspects of their lives independently. They deserve the opportunity to live with stability, dignity, and the support they need to be successful.

One thing I believe is especially important to understand is that these programs are not simply an added expense for the county. In many cases, the individuals receiving these services are using their own income and personal funds to pay for their own living expenses. Their disability benefits, VA benefits, and other income are managed to ensure their rent, utilities, food, medical expenses, and other basic needs are taken care of. These programs help make sure their money is used for what it is intended for: supporting their lives and meeting their needs.

Eliminating these programs will not eliminate the need for these services. It will only leave approximately 200 individuals trying to figure out what comes next.

What happens when someone can no longer manage their money safely? What happens when rent goes unpaid, utilities are shut off, medications become inaccessible, or someone loses their housing because they no longer have the support they need? What happens when a person who has been stable in the community suddenly loses one of the most important supports helping them remain stable?

These are not just budgetary questions. These are real-life situations that can have serious and lasting consequences.

Without these programs, we risk seeing an increase in homelessness, emergency room visits, psychiatric hospitalizations, law enforcement involvement, incarceration, and emergency shelter placements. These outcomes can be incredibly costly, both financially and emotionally. The cost of preventing a crisis is often far less than the cost of responding after everything has already fallen apart.

I also believe we need to consider the bigger impact on our community. When people have the support they need, they have a better chance of maintaining their housing, meeting their basic needs, and remaining as independent as possible. When those supports disappear, the responsibility does not disappear with them. It shifts to families, service providers, emergency responders, hospitals, and other community resources that may already be stretched thin.

I understand that difficult financial decisions have to be made, and I am not dismissing the county's responsibility to be mindful of taxpayer dollars. I am simply asking that these decisions be made with a full understanding of what is at stake. Saving money on paper does not necessarily mean saving money in the long run, especially when the consequences affect some of the most vulnerable members of our community.

At the end of the day, we are talking about people, not just program numbers or line items in a budget. These individuals matter. Their safety matters. Their housing matters. Their dignity and quality of life matter. They deserve to have a fair chance at living their lives with the stability and support they need.

I respectfully ask the Board of Supervisors to explore every reasonable alternative before eliminating these essential programs. Please consider the long-term financial impact, the strain on other community services, and, most importantly, the human impact on the approximately 200 individuals who depend on them.

Sometimes the value of a program cannot be measured by looking at its cost alone. Sometimes its true value is seen in the crises that never happen, the homes that are not lost, the bills that are paid, and the people who are able to continue living safely and with dignity in their community.

I sincerely hope Muscatine County will choose to protect these services and the individuals who depend on them.

Thank you for your time, your consideration, and your willingness to look beyond the numbers and consider the real people whose lives will be affected by this decision.

Respectfully,

Erin Scherr

House Lead DSP at Crossroads Inc.

To: Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

RE: The importance of preserving services for vulnerable individuals in the Muscatine County area.

Dear Members of the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to express my concern regarding the potential reduction or elimination of funding for services provided through Muscatine County Community Services. One of the members I serve currently receives representative payee services through Muscatine County and may soon require guardianship services as his physical health continues to decline.

While I am advocating on behalf of my member, I recognize that this issue extends far beyond one individual. Many people within the community depend on these services for critical assistance, advocacy, and support. Reducing or eliminating these resources could create significant hardships for individuals who depend on them to maintain stability and have their needs appropriately addressed.

These programs provide an important source of support for vulnerable members of the community. I am deeply concerned about what will happen to individuals who rely on these services if that support is no longer available. Who will advocate for their needs, protect their best interests, and help ensure they continue to receive appropriate support?

I strongly encourage those involved in this decision to consider the potential impact on the individuals and families who depend on these services before making any changes to funding.

Respectfully,

Bri Davis

LTSS Service Care Manager, Iowa Total Care

Dear Members of the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to express my concern regarding the upcoming decision to potentially cut essential community services, specifically the payee, guardianship, and conservatorship programs. Eliminating these vital programs could have a devastating impact on our community, particularly on individuals with disabilities who depend on these services to maintain their health, safety, and independence.

According to information obtained from the U.S. Census Bureau for 2020-2024, approximately 10.4% to 12.2% of Muscatine County's population under the age of 65 lives with a disability. These figures demonstrate that thousands of individuals in our community may be affected by decisions that reduce access to essential support. In addition, Muscatine is home to multiple disability service providers that employ local residents and provide critical services to individuals with disabilities. Muscatine has long been a safe and supportive community for these individuals, and we should do everything possible to preserve that support.

As someone who has worked closely with this population and provided services for many years, I want to emphasize how detrimental these cuts could be. Many individuals with disabilities rely heavily on established services, safeguards, and support systems to navigate everyday life. Some do not have reliable family members or court-appointed guardians available to help manage their finances and essential needs, while others may be unable to manage these responsibilities independently.

These individuals may depend on others for personal care, transportation, nutrition, medication management, and housing. Some reside in 24-hour care settings, where consistent access to funding and financial oversight is essential to maintaining their placements. These services are not luxuries; they are necessities that directly affect people's health, safety, and quality of life.

Unfortunately, these essential services must also be paid for. Without a trusted, qualified, and appropriately appointed individual to manage their benefits and finances, some individuals could face interruptions in services or lose access to the support they need. This raises several serious questions about the potential consequences for our community. Could individuals with disabilities lose their housing or access to the benefits they rely on to meet their basic needs, including food assistance through SNAP? How will they get to medical appointments and other essential services? What will happen to those who depend on these programs to maintain their current living arrangements and receive necessary care?

Additionally, will disability service providers be expected to assume responsibilities beyond their current roles, such as arranging transportation outside Muscatine County for individuals who need to establish services with a new payee? Will providers be expected to take on greater responsibility for managing clients' finances? If so, how will conflicts of interest be prevented and individuals protected from potential exploitation or financial abuse?

I am deeply concerned that eliminating these established programs could create significant hardships for individuals with disabilities, their families, and the organizations that support them. The full consequences may not be immediately apparent, but the risks

to the health, safety, financial stability, and overall well-being of our most vulnerable community members are too serious to overlook.

I respectfully urge Muscatine's elected officials to carefully consider the concerns outlined in this letter before making a final decision to cut these services. I also ask that alternative solutions be explored to preserve access to these essential programs and ensure that individuals who depend on them are not left without the support they need.

Our community has a responsibility to protect its most vulnerable residents and ensure that they can continue to live with dignity, security, and access to necessary care. I hope these concerns will be given thoughtful consideration before any decision is finalized.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,
Leah Busch

To: Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

Re: The importance of preserving VA fiduciary, guardianship, conservatorship, and representative payee services

Dear members of the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing in support of keeping the payee , guardian, and conservator program. This program provides important support to individuals who rely on these services to manage their finances, maintain stability, and protect their well-being. Ending this program could create significant hardships for individuals and families who depend on it. I respectfully ask that you reconsider these proposed cuts and explore other options, if possible, to keep this valuable service available to our community. Every person deserves access to the support and resources they need to live safely and with dignity.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jennifer klingaman

To whom it may concern,

I am reaching out today to express my concerns over the upcoming vote to cut community services for our county's most vulnerable citizens. I think that it's unconscionable for our board of supervisors to even be considering making these program cuts. These community service programs are a lifeline for those who need it most. I am appalled that when you all are looking for feasible options county costs, that you feel the disabled, the elderly, the veterans are the ones you should be robbing.

Make no mistake, there is one topic that both sides of the political spectrum agree on, and that is taking care of our veterans. And we will ALL remember who voted for this, when you come asking for OUR vote. I will make it my duty, as the wife of a disabled veteran, to make sure NO ONE in this county forgets.

Regards,

Meagan Koehler

1512 Bidwell Rd, Muscatine, IA

10/21/2026

Hello. My name is Julie Berry. I am the sister and a co-guardian of a developmentally disabled adult man, my brother Steve. We are lifelong residents of this community and take pride in our hometown. Muscatine County Community Services provides him with co-guardianship, payee and conservator services. I have been made aware that these services are in jeopardy for him and others who need these services in our community due to budget cuts.

I initially shared guardianship with our mother for Steve and when she was no longer able I attempted to take over all facets of his care. I hired an attorney to help me set up the sole guardianship, conservator & payee in my name. That is all I received... Appointed with no guidance on what came next. There was no assistance on how to fulfill all of the reporting requirements or even what those requirements were (ie. court responsibilities and timelines, etc.). I spent weeks into months trying to learn how to take care of these needs for my brother and was at my wits end when I was referred to MCCS. They helped me to help him. I have worked very hard to set Steve up with a team of supportive people providing the proper care to secure a safe and happy future for him with the protection he deserves.

The staff I have dealt with on Steve's behalf have been dedicated to making sure his needs are met, his bills paid in a timely manner, provided assistance with budgeting, keeping financial records and so much more. This has alleviated a lot of my stress trying to figure it out alone and allowing me to just be his sister as well. This is coming from someone who is active in their loved one's care but what about those in our community that don't have family supports? What happens to them?

These proposed cuts will affect those in our community who are most at risk. This is not just a want... They NEED the protection and assistance these services provide. Please reconsider jeopardizing the well-being of the individuals, like my brother, who count on these services for a good quality of life.

Thank you.
Julie Berry
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TYNIQUES

To: Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

Re: Support for the Continuation of Representative Payee Services Through Muscatine County Community Services

Dear Members of the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors,

On behalf of Tynique's Rose Garden, I am writing to express our support for the continuation of representative payee services provided through Muscatine County Community Services. As an agency that serves individuals with intellectual disabilities and mental health concerns, we understand the importance of reliable support services in helping individuals maintain their independence, stability, and overall well-being.

One of the individuals we serve currently relies on Muscatine County Community Services for representative payee services. This support plays an important role in ensuring that his financial resources are managed appropriately and that his basic needs are met. Having a dependable representative payee helps ensure that essential expenses, including rent, medications, food, and personal hygiene items, can be addressed consistently.

Our concern extends beyond the loss of one service. There are limited providers available to offer representative payee services, and the options for individuals who need this support are already scarce. When providers have limited capacity, waiting lists and delays can make it difficult for individuals to access these services in a timely manner. If Muscatine County Community Services were to discontinue this program, finding an alternative provider could be challenging and could leave individuals without the support they need during the transition.

For the individuals we serve, delays in accessing representative payee services are not simply an administrative inconvenience. They can affect a person's ability to maintain housing, obtain necessary medications, purchase food, and access basic hygiene supplies. These are essential needs that directly affect an individual's health, safety, dignity, and quality of life. A disruption in financial management support could create unnecessary hardship and place an individual's stability at risk.

At Tynique's Rose Garden, we recognize that managing finances independently can be a significant challenge for some individuals with intellectual disabilities and mental health concerns. Representative payee services provide an important layer of support that helps individuals meet their financial obligations and maintain greater stability in their daily lives. When these services are consistent and dependable, they can also help prevent avoidable crises and support the work of agencies like ours in promoting the well-being of the individuals in our care.

We understand that the county must carefully consider its financial responsibilities and the costs associated with providing these programs. However, we respectfully ask the Board of Supervisors to consider the real-life consequences that eliminating representative payee services could have on

individuals who depend on them, as well as the limited availability of alternative providers in our community.

On behalf of Tynique's Rose Garden, we urge the board to consider the importance of maintaining these services to help ensure that vulnerable individuals continue to have access to the financial support necessary to meet their basic needs and maintain stable lives in our community.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and commitment to the well-being of Muscatine County residents.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,

Amanda McClatchey

Director of Social Services

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UNITED WAY
Muscatine
County

October 21, 2026

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express United Way Muscatine County's support for Muscatine County Community Services and its vital Payee, Guardian, and Conservator Program. Our organization is dedicated to increasing self-sufficiency across Muscatine County by investing in core community supports and sustainable outcomes.

Muscatine County Community Services serves as a trusted partner and critical pillar in our community's wrap-around services for vulnerable individuals and families. Through their payee, guardianship, and conservatorship services, they ensure that vulnerable community members, including adults with disabilities, older adults, and individuals needing support with financial or personal management, receive compassionate care, proper oversight, and financial protection. Their program fosters stability, safety, and personal dignity, helping prevent homelessness and ensuring basic needs are met.

United Way Muscatine County values this partnership and the essential, measurable difference it makes in the safety and wellbeing of our community members.

I welcome the opportunity to discuss the partnership further. Please feel free to contact me at 563-217-4445 or shane@unitedwaymuscatine.org.

Sincerely,

Shane J. Orr
President & CEO
United Way Muscatine County

10/20/2026

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Muscatine, IA 52761

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to you today with a deep sense of urgency and concern regarding the proposed budget cuts to the Muscatine County Community Services program. As an Iowa service provider working directly with individuals who have high and complex needs, I witness daily how essential these programs are to keeping our most vulnerable residents safe, housed, and alive.

The clients we serve often fall through the cracks of mainstream systems. They rely heavily on Muscatine County Community Services-specifically public guardianship and representative payee programs-to navigate basic daily survival. Without these supports, the consequences for their well-being would be catastrophic.

- Guardianship Needs: Many of our clients lack the cognitive functioning required to make critical, life-or-death decisions. MCCS manages serious health conditions, including diabetes and heart disease, as well as complex mental health diagnoses. Without a dedicated guardian to ensure they keep medical appointments and adhere to medication regimens, these individuals face acute health crises, physical deterioration, and severe trauma. Alternative private guardianship services are largely unaffordable for this population, with rates reaching upwards of $147 per hour for mandated meetings, quarterly reviews, and daily advocacy.
- Representative Payee Services: Without assistance managing their financial obligations, our clients' bills go unpaid, leading directly to eviction and homelessness. Our communities are already grappling with a severe housing and homelessness crisis; dismantling a program that prevents vulnerable people from losing their shelter will only deepen this burden.

Slashing these lifelines does not simply balance a ledger-it places medically and cognitively fragile individuals at severe risk and places financial and service responsibilities onto other already stretched thin support services and taxpayers. I urge the Board of Supervisors to reconsider these proposed cuts and preserve the funding necessary to protect Muscatine County's most defenseless citizens.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and dedication to the Muscatine County community.

Sincerely,

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Senior Quality and Director

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To whom it may concern,

My name is Lorna Williams and I have worked in the medical field for over 20 years with residents with all types of intellectually developmental disorders and other mental illnesses. Working in the medical field you are required by law to be an advocate and to report while working for the state for those who can't take care of themselves through no fault of their own. I want to express the importance of GUARDIANS, CONSERVATORS and PAYEES to the many mentally ill people needing services. My brother, Rodney Allen Kemper, resided at the MCSA for many years. He was intellectually disabled with brain equivalency of a preschooler along with Autism, PTSD, and Bipolar.

Rodney was unable to live on his own and needed guidance and supervision to remain stable and healthy. He was unable to read and write and had to rely on the services from Muscatine County Community Services as his PAYEE to make sure all his needs were met. I am thankful and very grateful for what I call his "dream team", Lisa Wolf with MCCS who was his PAYEE and Theresa Cardoza at MCSA, for the wonderful care and advocacy of my brother who unfortunately passed away August of 2021 after a long battle with cancer. He was my shinning diamond, sweet loving soul. These kinds of workers and staff who work with these individuals are indeed patient and advocates. I thank God every day for the wonderful care my brother received through these services. If these services get cut it will be a big failure for Muscatine County and for the many people suffering from mental illness and for the families of their loved ones. I would encourage all of you in rethinking these changes in the system and imagine if you were fighting for your loved one who might be intellectually disabled or suffering from other mental illnesses.

Sincerely,

Lorna Williams CRMA,PSS
Sister to Rodney Kemper

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my strong support for Muscatine County Community Services (MCCS) and to urge decision-makers to reconsider any proposed budget cuts that would result in the elimination of its Payee, Guardianship, and Conservatorship programs.

As a Program Director with REM of Iowa, I work closely with individuals who rely on consistent support, advocacy, and services to maintain their health, safety, independence, and quality of life. I understand how important it is to have trusted organizations like MCCS working alongside residential providers, families, and other community partners to ensure that individuals receive the support they need.

The services provided by MCCS are far more than administrative responsibilities. Representative payee services help individuals manage their income and ensure that essential expenses, such as housing, utilities, food, and personal needs, are addressed. Guardianship and conservatorship services, when legally established and appropriate, provide important protections, oversight, and advocacy for individuals who need assistance with decision-making or financial matters.

Eliminating these programs would create a significant gap in services and could leave individuals, families, and residential providers struggling to identify appropriate alternatives. For some individuals, the loss of an established and trusted support system could result in financial instability, disruptions in services, increased vulnerability, and unnecessary uncertainty about their future.

MCCS plays an important role in helping maintain stability and continuity for individuals who depend on these services. The relationships, knowledge, and experience developed through this work cannot simply be replaced overnight. Finding new providers, transferring responsibilities, and ensuring that every individual continues to receive appropriate support would present significant challenges.

I respectfully ask that MCCS's Payee, Guardianship, and Conservatorship programs be recognized as essential community resources and that every reasonable alternative be explored before these services are discontinued. Budget decisions should consider not only immediate financial savings but also the potential long-term consequences for the individuals and communities affected.

The individuals who depend on these programs deserve stability, dignity, protection, and continued access to the supports that help them live their lives as safely and independently as possible. Preserving these programs would demonstrate a continued commitment to the well-being of some of our community's most vulnerable individuals.

On behalf of the work we do at REM of Iowa, I strongly encourage the continued support and funding of MCCS and its Payee, Guardianship, and Conservatorship programs. These services matter, the people who rely on them matter, and their needs deserve to remain a priority.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and commitment to the individuals and families who depend on these vital services.

Sincerely,

LaKesha Allen
Program Director
REM of Iowa

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October 21, 2026

To: City of Muscatine Officials and City Council Members
Re: Strong Opposition to the Proposed Elimination of the Community Services Payee Program

Dear City of Muscatine Officials and Council Members,

I am writing on behalf of Pioneer Property Management, Inc. to express our serious concerns regarding the proposed budget cuts that would eliminate the Community Services Payee Program.

As a property management company providing housing throughout Eastern Iowa, including the Muscatine community, we understand firsthand the importance of programs that help individuals maintain financial stability and, ultimately, stable housing.

The Payee Program provides an invaluable service to individuals who may struggle with managing their finances independently. By assisting participants with budgeting, paying rent, utilities, and other essential expenses, this program helps ensure that their basic needs are met and that they can remain financially responsible tenants.

Eliminating this program could have devastating consequences—not only for the individuals who depend on it, but also for landlords, housing providers, and the Muscatine community as a whole.
Without this assistance, some participants may struggle to prioritize or manage their monthly financial obligations. This could lead to missed rent payments, unpaid utilities, accumulating late fees, and eventually eviction. For individuals already facing financial or personal challenges, the loss of stable housing could be extremely difficult to overcome.

From a landlord's perspective, we are particularly concerned about the potential increase in rental delinquencies and the difficult decisions that follow when rent obligations are not met. While we work diligently to help our residents maintain their housing, property management companies must also meet their own financial obligations to maintain safe, quality housing for the community.

The Payee Program serves as a preventative measure against housing instability and homelessness. Its elimination may ultimately cost the community more than the savings achieved through the proposed budget cuts. Evictions, emergency housing assistance, homelessness services, and additional demands on community resources could become the unintended consequences of removing a program that is already helping vulnerable residents remain housed.

We strongly encourage the City of Muscatine to consider the long-term financial and social impact of this decision. We respectfully request that city officials explore alternative funding solutions, program restructuring, or partnerships that would allow this essential service to continue.

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As housing providers, we see the importance of financial stability every day. Programs such as this are not simply conveniences; for many participants, they may be the very reason they are able to maintain a roof over their heads.

We urge the City of Muscatine to reconsider eliminating the Payee Program and recognize the critical role it plays in preventing housing instability within our community.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and commitment to the residents of Muscatine. We hope that the voices of housing providers and the individuals who depend on this program will be considered before any final decisions are made.

Sincerely,

Joe Marone
President, COO
Pioneer Property Management, Inc.

MUSCATINE COUNTY VETERAN AFFAIRS

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To: Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Re: The importance of preserving VA fiduciary services through Community Services

Dear members of the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors,

We are writing to express our support for the VA fiduciary program to continue through Muscatine County Community Services.

This program serves vulnerable veterans in Muscatine County. These are veterans that are no longer able to manage their finances due to mental or physical impairments.

Through the VA Fiduciary program, the staff at Muscatine County Community services ensure that rent, utilities, food, medical expenses, and other necessities are paid out of the Veteran's Benefit.

Without this service, the consequences could be devastating. Eliminating these programs will not eliminate the needs of these veterans. It will simply shift those needs and potentially much greater expenses to other parts of our community. Homelessness, emergency room visits, psychiatric hospitalizations, law enforcement involvement, incarceration, and emergency shelter placements all carry substantial costs. When individuals lose the stability these programs provide, taxpayers may ultimately pay more to address the resulting crises than they would have paid to prevent them.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Monica Danner

Veteran's Commission

Lisa Johnson

Josè Rafael Godinez

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Muscatine County Board of Supervisors,

I have been a licensed psychologist in the state of Iowa for over 20 years. Having grown up in Murray, Iowa, a small farming town of 700 people, I care about rural and underserved populations. This upbringing, as well as my faith, motivated me to have the psychologists who work for me travel around the state to perform evaluations on people to help get them access to services. This is especially important because many of my clients have difficulty finding a psychologist who will do this that doesn't require them to drive to Iowa City or even Des Moines.

As a result of traveling, I have had the pleasure of working alongside the staff at Muscatine County Community Services. Because the population they serve tends to not be very self-sufficient and struggle with poor judgment, they have frequent contact with the staff as they seek their help to solve problems. While this contact consumes staff time, personal relationships allow for better monitoring to avoid small problems from escalating. These relationships will not exist if services for payee, guardianship, VA fiduciary, and conservatorship are outsourced. While some clients will be served adequately, there are others who will fall through the cracks.

While I understand fiscal responsibility is important in your position on the Board, I want to point out the costs that are currently averted that could become realized by those who fall through the cracks. People with Intellectual Disabilities cannot manage their financial benefits, so a payee is necessary. If family members are also low functioning, it leaves the person vulnerable to exploitation or mismanagement. Other conditions, such as Schizophrenia or substance abuse problems also leave people prone to financial mismanagement, which could increase homelessness, arrests, hospitalizations, and substance abuse.

I urge you to continue the valuable financial services offered by Muscatine County Community Services to the most vulnerable people in your community. I appreciate your time and your service to the County.

Brandon Davis, PhD

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Jessica Bopes

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Eric Last

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I, Ann Last, do not support this cut.

Thanks,
Ann Last

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To: Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

Re: The importance of preserving VA fiduciary, guardianship, conservatorship, and representative payee services

Dear members of the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors,

As the parent of a child with disabilities, I am asking that you continue to financially support the work of Muscatine Community Services (MCS) and the vital role they play in supporting the local special needs population. In our case we utilize the representative payee services. Families in our circumstances face many challenges, and one of those is trying to navigate the wide array of organizations that provide benefits and programs such as SSI, SSDI, Medicare, Medicaid, etc., but also have many restrictions on how much can be spent, as well as not going over certain income limits. For the typical family in this situation, it can be very confusing and difficult to understand. When my family started utilizing the MCS services we felt a great sense of relief knowing that they had the expertise necessary to assist us in utilizing these programs properly.

Losing these services along with the many other valuable services MCS provide would be a great loss to the community. On a personal level they have been a great partner with us in looking out for our son's best interests, and I once again encourage you to continue to financially support their work.

Thank you,

Steve Paulsen

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October 27, 2026

Muscatine County Community Services
315 Iowa Avenue Suite 1
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Dear Board of Supervisors,

It has been brought to my attention that there are proposed cuts to community services for members served in the areas of representative payee services, guardianship services and conservator programs. This is very concerning, as there are known shortages already for these services and if the county cuts these programs, it will cause increased stress on the environment in trying to find replacement for these critical services for so many members.

I respectfully request that you please reconsider cutting back on these areas, as it is unclear what many members would do if you do move forward with this proposal and discontinue access to these services, as there is already an ongoing lack of access to them.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Danielle Kopf, Director of Services
Imagine the Possibilities, Inc.

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To: The Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

RE: The Need to Preserve Essential Support Services for Vulnerable Residents

Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to ask you to give careful consideration to the future of guardianship conservatorship, VA fiduciary, and payee services provided through Muscatine County Community Services. I strongly encourage the board to seek ways to preserve these programs rather than discontinue services that so many individuals depend on.

For approximately 200 people in our community, these programs provide an essential layer of protection and stability. Many of these individuals make it difficult or impossible to manage their finances and personal affairs without assistance.
These services help ensure that their income is used appropriately, their bills are paid, their housing remains secure, and their basic needs are addressed.

Has the board considered what could happen if this support disappears?
The individuals affected will still need help managing their money, maintaining housing, obtaining medical care, and just being able to navigate daily life.
Without reliable services, some may face circumstances that place their health and safety at risk. Don't we want to foster and help maintain an individual's right to independence?

Have you considered when people lose the support that helps them remain stable, additional demands will be placed on emergency services, hospitals, mental health resources, law enforcement, and public assistance programs? (Creating greater expenses elsewhere.)

We have a responsibility to the people who are most at risk of falling through the cracks.
These individuals need a dependable support system to help them live with dignity, and as much independence as their circumstances allow.

Preserving these services is a practical way to protect their well-being while still supporting the stability of the community of Muscatine.

In closing,
Please consider the long term consequences of eliminating these services, and make every reasonable effort to find a solution that allows these services to continue. I pray you will choose a path that protects each individual that relies on these programs, so they can remain safe in all aspects, and connected to Muscatine community.

Thank you for your time, and thoughtful consideration to this important matter.

Sincerely,

Shannon Posey
240-462-2520

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Re: Continuation of VA Fiduciary, Guardianship, Conservatorship, and Representative Payee Services

October 28, 2026

Dear Members of the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors:

I am writing to express my strong support for the continuation of the VA Fiduciary, Guardianship, Conservatorship, and Representative Payee Services provided through Muscatine County Community Services. I respectfully urge the Board to reconsider any proposal to eliminate these vital programs and carefully evaluate the impact their removal would have on the individuals who rely on them and on our community as a whole.

I have been actively involved in social services in Muscatine County for the past 15 years, and through this experience, I have seen firsthand the critical role these programs play in supporting vulnerable members of our community. These services provide essential oversight, stability, and protection for individuals who may otherwise struggle to manage their financial affairs, maintain their independence, and meet their basic needs.

While these programs require financial resources, their value to our community extends far beyond their operating costs. They help individuals living with disabilities, mental health challenges, cognitive impairments, and other complex circumstances remain safely and successfully in the community. By providing appropriate support and oversight, these services promote stability, protect individual well-being, and help prevent crises before they occur.

Eliminating these programs could leave many individuals without the support and safeguards they depend on. Without these services, there may be an increased risk of emergency room visits, psychiatric hospitalizations, law enforcement involvement, incarceration, and homelessness. These outcomes can have devastating consequences for the individuals affected and may ultimately result in significantly greater costs to the community through increased reliance on emergency and crisis services.

As both a community member and an active participant in Muscatine County's network of social service providers, I encourage the Board to carefully consider the full implications of

discontinuing these programs. I ask that you look beyond the immediate budgetary savings and consider the long-term financial, social, and human costs that could result from their elimination.

Continuing these services is an investment in the safety, dignity, and well-being of some of our community's most vulnerable residents. I respectfully ask you to reconsider this proposal and explore alternatives that would allow these essential services to continue.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and commitment to the well-being of Muscatine County residents.

Sincerely,

Jessica Thumann

To Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

RE: Preserving Guardianship, Conservatorship, VA Fiduciary, and Representative Payee Services

Greetings Members, (some who I know personally, and helped elect)
Through my 30 year career of teaching in the Muscatine Community School District, I had the opportunity to teach students with special needs for 10 of those years.
I learned the importance of equipping individuals with the skills, tools and guidance necessary to live as independently as possible.
Independence doesn't happen without support, patience and the right resources.
The guardianship, conservatorship, VA Fiduciary, and representative payee programs serve a similar purpose by helping vulnerable individuals manage their daily lives, maintain stability, and preserve their dignity.

Eliminating these important and valuable services could take away essential support from those who need it most; potentially causing greater financial strain on the county.

I urge the board to consider not only the immediate budget savings, but also the long term human and financial consequences, and to explore every reasonable alternative to ensure these individuals are not left without the guidance they need to succeed.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Terri L. Phillips
563-299-7089

Subject: Please Preserve Muscatine County Community Services Programs

10/29/2026

Dear Muscatine County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to express my deep concern regarding the proposal to discontinue Muscatine County Community Services, particularly the guardianship, conservatorship, and representative payee programs.

These services support some of the most vulnerable members of our community, including individuals with intellectual disabilities, developmental disabilities, chronic mental illness, and other conditions that prevent them from fully managing their own personal, medical, or financial affairs. For many of these individuals, these programs are not optional services. They are essential lifelines that provide stability, safety, protection, and dignity.

I was fortunate enough to have firsthand experience working within the system. From 1996 through 2002, I served as a Case Manager for Muscatine County Community Services under the leadership of Mike Johannsen and Nancy Nauman. During those years, I worked directly with individuals and families who depended on these services every day. I witnessed the positive impact that community-based support, guardianship, conservatorship, and representative payee services had on the lives of vulnerable citizens.

While I recognize that Muscatine County no longer provides direct case management services due to the evolution of Iowa's managed care system, my commitment to serving this population has continued throughout my professional career. I have remained in the field as a case manager, and Muscatine County continues to be a significant part of my service area. This ongoing role allows me to work closely with Muscatine County Community Services staff and the individuals they serve. Because of these continued professional relationships, I see firsthand the vital role these programs continue to play in supporting county residents and helping them remain safe, stable, and connected to essential services.

Because of both my previous experience with Muscatine County Community Services and my current professional responsibilities, I know how beneficial these programs are and how critical they are to maintaining the health, safety, and well-being of the people they serve. I have seen individuals remain safely housed, receive appropriate medical care, maintain financial stability, and achieve the highest level of independence possible because these services were available. I have also seen the serious risks that can arise when adequate support is unavailable.

Eliminating these programs would have devastating consequences. Without guardianship and conservatorship services, many individuals could be left without the assistance needed to make critical healthcare decisions, maintain housing, manage finances, and access essential benefits. Likewise, the representative payee program helps ensure that vulnerable individuals can meet their basic needs and are protected from financial exploitation, homelessness, and other crises.

The decision before you is not a simple task as a Board, considering budget cuts in today's economy but, it is about the well-being and protection of people who often cannot fully advocate for themselves. The county has a long-standing responsibility to safeguard residents who rely on these services, and discontinuing them would place many individuals at significant risk.

I respectfully urge the Board to carefully consider the real human impact of this decision. Behind every guardianship, conservatorship, or representative payee case is a person whose quality of life, independence, and safety depend on these supports. Families, caregivers, and community members rely on the county's commitment to protecting those most in need.

Please do not discontinue the guardianship, conservatorship, and representative payee programs. As a former Muscatine County Community Services Case Manager and a professional who continues to work closely with Muscatine County residents and Community Services staff, I can attest to the tremendous value of these services and the difference they make in people's lives. Preserving these programs is not only the compassionate thing to do, but also the responsible thing to do.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and service to the residents of Muscatine County.

Sincerely,

Traci McCleary
Community Based Case Manager

Date: October 28, 2026

To: Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

RE: Elimination of Payee, Guardianship and Conservatorship Services (Trust Program) provided by Muscatine County Community Services (MCCS)

As a previous Director of Muscatine County Community Services, I had the unique privilege of working hands-on with the citizens, employees, and elected officials of Muscatine County. I found the community to be very progressive in its view of the most vulnerable of its citizens. There was a clear understanding that addressing problems effectively and efficiently in the front end would result in cost savings at the back end when problems have become ongoing crises. With the current discussion of ending Payee, Guardianship and Conservatorship Services, I am compelled to speak out on the need for these services in the spirit of continuing the historic forward thinking budget conscious philosophy.

While there may be temptations to say that the Payee, Guardianship and Conservatorship Services are no longer needed because other counties are not providing this service, I would remind the Board of Supervisors that these same "other counties" were not providing this service when the service was started by Kenneth Duncan. These were considered unique services that at the time met a gap in services for the mentally ill, disabled and elder population of Muscatine County. Muscatine County was a leader in the state for providing this type of service which was duplicated in other counties throughout the state and considered a model program. Today, most counties have eliminated these services relying on a state program for guardianship which is woefully under-resourced with an extensive many years long waiting list. This state program lacks all the tenets that made the Muscatine County Community Services Trust Program a model in the state and has contributed to its decade's long success. The state guardianship program costs $95 per hour, which is a cost borne by the clients who already struggle in extreme poverty and do not have family resources to act as guardians or to pay those rates. Second, the state guardians have no first-hand knowledge of the client and do not have active local knowledge of the resources in the community to assist clients in their mental, physical and social stability that left unaddressed costs the county hundreds of thousands of dollars in homelessness, frequent hospitalizations, crime and incarceration. The state guardian is not going to take a call in the middle of the night from a client in crisis to deescalate a situation or to mediate with a landlord who is threatening eviction. Muscatine County has

staff who do this daily and ensure the safety and well-being of the clients, families, and citizens.

Many lifelong elderly Muscatine County residents who have no family and need guardianship due to age related mental illnesses who will reside in local nursing homes and are vulnerable to abuse and exploitation while living alone in the community. MCCS Trust Program has been the "go to" for local banks, law enforcement and health care professionals that identify elder abuse, fraud and mental incapacity. Without the Trust Program, the community will be without any resources to address these concerns. Even HHS calls MCCS for assistance with elder folks that come to their attention when they are unable to intervene or are at a loss as to how to proceed.

Just for reference, prior to regional mental health funding, all Iowa counties had their own case management systems that dealt with mental health and disabilities clients enrolled in Medicaid to assure that service needs were assessed and addressed. While these services were in part paid by Medicaid, the county carried the burden of employment of all these case managers which were part of the MCCS department. Payee, Guardianship and Conservator Services worked very closely with case management to assure that gaps in services were filled and that clients were stable in the community. When Medicaid was privatized statewide, many of these case managers were picked up by private MCOs and the local continuity of care was minimally disrupted. Since then, MCOs have come and gone, and case management has changed from a local focus to a statewide system that assesses and pays for the same services that are supposedly needed by clients. It cannot go without being said that the same people assessing and paying for services are also tasked with ensuring that Medicaid costs are contained, which generates a potential for conflict of interest at the client level thus creating a statewide system that may or may not meet the needs of clients in Muscatine County but frequently requires advocacy to assure the needed services are provided. This is an example of a locally provided service that was rolled up into a statewide system that is not aware of local individual needs leaving many gaps.

When the mental health regions dissolved in favor of a state system, all counties in the state lost dollars that were infused into counties for mental health and disability services. Muscatine County was a good steward of the funds ensuring that services were available to its citizens which included partially funding the Guardianship and Conservatorship Services. This infusion of funding only lasted ten years and was not there for the decades leading to regionalization. Prior to regionalization, most mental health services were administered and provided locally. Again, the Board of Supervisors is faced with the same financial situation that was present prior to regionalization. The Muscatine County Board of

Supervisors was aware the trajectory of regional mental health funding was precarious and would most likely end in the near term. Sadly, this came to fruition. This has left all counties in a position of relying on a state-run mental health and disabilities system that is not locally focused, disjointed and without clear lines of entry, which was the circumstance that brought about regional mental health and disabilities funding and service provision after local services were terminated due Medicaid changes. The constant in all this change over decades is Muscatine County Community Services. It continues to be a resource in the community to engage and ensure individuals in need of services get those needs met. Since the program was developed more than fifty years ago, Payee, Guardianship and Conservator Services works with the same vulnerable populations in the same service environment that instigated its inception.

As the Board of Supervisors contemplates the continuation of Payee, Guardianship and Conservator Services provided by Muscatine County Community Services, I would ask that you not only look at the long-range financial impact of ending the service in favor of the state system but also looked at the local community impact to businesses, financial institutions, landlords, and economic development. The federal funds that are directed by the Trust Program to meet the needs of the clients they serve also go directly into the communities where these clients reside. Without this service, these funds will likely be directed into areas that do not benefit the community such as drugs, alcohol and personal exploitation just to name a few. Other county services will also be impacted that are much more costly, such as sheriff safety in the line of duty, increased crime with jail stays becoming more frequent, county attorneys' office with increased civil commitments, increased criminal cases and attorney costs, and county paid hospital stays. County residents will see many more individuals walking the streets with untreated mental health issues who are not able to maintain their housing and are not able to contribute positively to society. The financial security provided by Payee, Guardianship and Conservator Services provided by Muscatine County Community Services goes a very long way to bridging the mental health treatment gap that leads to stable housing, food security and employment which breaks the endless loop of emergency room visits, inpatient hospitalizations and law enforcement involvement that is so costly.

Lastly, if budgetary costs need to be considered, rather than cutting the service, I highly suggest the Board of Supervisors assess the building that houses the Health and Human Services and MCCS. The high cost of operating a building of this age and style is exorbitant, especially considering HHS Staff working from home and not occupying the space and the actual number of MCCS staff housed there in. In the past by state code, the county was able to obtain reimbursement for the operational costs of the building from HHS based on the percent of square footage occupied and with prior approval reimbursement for building

upgrades and/or repairs. There is a point at which this HHS reimbursement versus the county portion of the expenses is no longer budgetarily sound. It may be the right time to consider relocation for both entities, with an eye to actual square footage needed for the number of staff utilizing the space. This could potentially be a large cost saving at a time when the county's revenue growth has been strictly regulated by the state legislature.

While I am not a resident of Muscatine County, I have always been and will always be very proud of the work that is done at MCCS by a staff that I found to be very caring, diligent, and committed to the mission of the department and relentless in providing services to the citizens of Muscatine County. It is the support of citizens of Muscatine County that have allowed MCCS to grow and endure decades of change. Over decades of working in and around Muscatine County, I have always known this county to be administered in such a way that all its citizens, organizations and businesses benefit and thrive. I hope that the County Board of Supervisors continues in that longstanding tradition of placing its citizens' welfare first and not relying on state systems that do not know, understand or meet local needs.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

Felicia S. Toppert

To the Board of Supervisors:

I am writing in support of keeping the Payee, Guardian, & Conservator programs administered by the MCCS intact.

Over 40 years ago, I worked at the YMCA where some of the tenants utilized these programs. Those men (among many others) were able to live a better life because of the support of what was commonly and inarticulately known as "the relief office".

The work of the MCCS represents a *generational* commitment from the people of Muscatine County to those who need some assistance navigating life's challenges, small and large. Veterans, the elderly, people with disabilities have relied on these services and any cuts will result in hardship for our neighbors in need.

It's election season again and we hear the incessant ads from the candidates, many of which talk about protecting our freedoms. Freedom is a term that's becoming increasingly relative in a world so complex. Freedom for the folks MCCS serves means food on the table, a place to sleep, or financial help and advice.

I am proud of the public servants who work to preserve these simple liberties for their clients and I urge the Board to give this agency and the work it does all the support it needs.

Tracy Hatfield
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Lisa,
incase I havent sent you my letter for the board meeting I wanted to send it now while i was thinking about it
I am here today to advocate for my clients that use the muscatine county guardianship and payee services. My clients do not have the mental capacity or impulse controls to function in the general society effectively. The loss of the above mentioned services would put my clients in not only financial danger but also physical danger as this decline in available resources will put the choices solely in their hands as as a provider we are not legally allowed to take control of our clients finances nor are we legally allowed to solely restrict a client ability to choose for themself.

This leads to unhinged plans being put in place by a neutral 4th person who has no actual experience with the client on a daily or even weekly basis. Some Case Managers only see their clients every 2-3 months and even then, the interaction may be a video call lasting between 10-30 min. This leads to case managers declining to place restrictions on clients based on their personal opinions about what should or shouldn't be done. Instead of what is best for their clients.

For all these reasons I plead with you.. Do not allow these vital programs to lose funding and close placing unstable members of the community into a positions that will be detrimental to their mental and physical wellbeing. Not to mention the community safety crisis that will occur from putting this members on the street without someone managing their mental health and a responsible person to take responsibility for them.

Sincerely,
Christopher J Foster
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To: Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

Re: The importance of preserving VA fiduciary, guardianship, conservatorship, and representative payee services

Dear members of the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to express **my strong support** for the continuation of the guardianship, conservatorship, VA fiduciary, and representative payee programs provided through Muscatine County Community Services. I understand that the board has concerns regarding the financial cost of operating these programs, However, I respectfully ask that you consider not only what these services cost the county, but also the significant financial and human consequences of eliminating them. As a mother / guardian of one of these clients that receive services through MCCS – this would be devastating to lose this service I have come to greatly depend on.

Approximately 200 vulnerable individuals depend on these programs to maintain their housing, manage their finances, access necessary services, and remain safe in our community. These are individuals who, because of disabilities, mental health challenges, cognitive impairments, or other circumstances, cannot independently manage certain aspects of their life.

One of the most important issues to consider is the clients are paying their own expenses with their own money. Through representative payee, VA fiduciary, and conservatorship services their disability income, and other personal funds are managed to ensure that rent, utilities, food, medical expenses, and other basic necessities are paid. I do not live in Muscatine County – but my daughter who receives these services does. The close proximity of having the payee close by and readily available to her was a lifeline for her.

Without these services, the consequences could be devastating. Eliminating these programs will not eliminate the needs of these 200 individuals. It will simply shift those needs and potentially much greater expenses, to other parts of our community.

Homelessness, emergency room visits, psychiatric hospitalizations, law enforcement involvement, incarceration, and emergency shelter placements all carry substantial costs. When individuals lose the stability these programs provide, taxpayers may ultimately pay more to address the resulting crises than they would have paid to prevent them.

Please – please reconsider removing these services to the community. The ability to live independently with this support that MCCS has provided to her has been the biggest overall life-changing impact for her.

Sincerely,

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my sincere appreciation and to highly recommend Muscatine Community Services for the outstanding work they do in our community.

The services provided by Muscatine Community Services make a tremendous difference in the lives of individuals and families. Their dedication, compassion, and willingness to help those in need demonstrate what community support is truly about.

Organizations like Muscatine Community Services are essential to building a stronger, healthier, and more supportive community. Their commitment to helping people navigate difficult circumstances, connecting individuals with valuable resources, and providing assistance when it is needed most deserves recognition and appreciation.

What makes their services especially valuable is the care, respect, and understanding they show toward the people they serve. Having access to these resources can provide hope, encouragement, stability, and opportunities for individuals and families to move forward.

I strongly commend Muscatine Community Services for its dedication, hard work, and positive impact on our community. Their services are truly appreciated, and I hope they continue to receive the support and recognition they deserve.

Thank you for all that you do to make a difference in the lives of others. Your work does not go unnoticed, and our community is better because of it.

Without the help of Muscatine community services and Ashley Curtis, I'm not sure where my daughter would have ended up with no one to help her.

Sincerely,

Michael & Tracy Frymoyer
November 1,2026

Tanner Hagen

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Board of Supervisors

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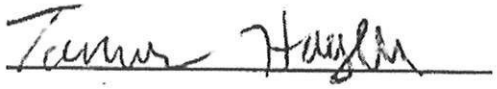
To my fellow Board of Supervisors,

It has been brought to my attention that there is a proposal regarding removing guardianship, conservatorship, and payee services provided by Muscatine County Community Services. It is due to this concern of this possibility that I write this letter.

The prospect of removing individuals from such care would be a blight to this communities values of protecting those who are truly unfortunate. These are people who are not where they are by their own violation nor is it a lack of willpower. These are people who have developmental deficiencies without a family . I would like to be of the opinion that you are truly trying to do what is best for the community, but to suggest that the removal of guardianship services will reduce costs is to ignore the human cost inherent in such a decision. This is removing services for people who truly have no capacity to organize and display their voice to a governing body, a governing body that is leaving the disabled to themselves to navigate the complex social landscape.

The great thinkers of our past who inspire us remind us that the true measure of any civilization lies in how it treats its weakest members. We must interrogate our motives and recognize that the pursuit of efficiency must not come at the expense of our humanity. I implore you to reconsider this course and advocate for a more compassionate approach that does not entail dismantling a system in place that assists our vulnerable.

Sincerely,



Tanner Hagen

Direct Support Professional

To whom it may concern,

I have been in social work for 20 years and I have seen firsthand how M.C.C.S. has provided many members of the community with protection and safety. I have great concerns over the recent news that the Board of Supervisors (B.O.S.) of Muscatine County is proposing the elimination of guardianship, conservatorship, and payee services provided by Muscatine County Community Services (M.C.C.S.) to residents of Muscatine County who, at no fault of their own, lack the skills and ability to understand and make reasonable decisions in regard to vital subject areas of life including but not limited to: legal, financial, and safety. The community of Muscatine has a long-standing reputation for being a great place to live with focus on family values and safety. Many of the community members who receive these services not only lack the ability to provide these services for themselves but also lack natural supports to provide the services to them. Some of these community members have loving natural support systems that for various reasons are unable to provide these services for them, some of these community members do not have natural supports for various reasons such as no living family members or their family members are also disabled or unfortunately some of these community members have families with a history of abusing them and subjecting them to exploitation. For decades the community of Muscatine County has been able to take pride in the fact that M.C.C.S. has been an essential cornerstone in providing support and protection to the most vulnerable members of our community. If the B.O.S. decides to go through with the elimination of these essential services it would be detrimental both to the community members who receive this assistance and to the entire community of Muscatine. There will be an increase in abuse and exploitation towards the vulnerable population of our community.

The fact that this is even on the table would be suggestive of the B.O.S. not seeing the residents of Muscatine County as people, but rather as numbers with the B.O.S. assigning some a lower value than others. I can only conclude that the values of the members of B.O.S. does not reflect that which is stated in the Declaration of Independence, "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Right, the among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." The entire purpose of the social structure of a community is to care for others, it is to protect the vulnerable. Lorna Tilley wrote a book

titled "The Bioarchaeology of Care" about her research showing that there is anthropological evidence of communities caring for vulnerable members as far back as the Neolithic Era. This proves that proving care for the vulnerable members of a community is so deeply ingrained in humanity that it is the core essence of what it means to be human and based on the proposition that the B.O.S. is making, there is only one logical conclusion if they follow through with this then they must indeed lack not only human decency but also a basic understanding of what it means to be a human. This also shows that they have no regard for what it means to be a member of a community, let alone a so-called leader in the community.

Kind regards,

Clarissa E. Noel

Treatment Supervisor

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November 3, 2026

Board of Supervisors
Muscatine County

Dear Supervisors of Muscatine County,

I am writing in support of keeping the Guardianship, Conservatorship, Payee services that the Community Services Department oversee. These are extremely vital services for the most vulnerable people in Muscatine County. These services allow people to stay in their homes as they have been deemed unable to understand their dire situation and most don't have a trusted family member to perform the duties that are currently provided. I do understand that there is a cost of having these programs available but the cost, in my opinion, would be much higher to the county, ie, homelessness, incarceration, general assistance, medication support, etc. These programs also make sure that the clients remain Medicaid eligible, and that the person's Social Security Disability and SSI are distributed properly without the client being taken advantage of financially. These services act as a safety net for your county residents so they can live their best life.

Respectfully,

Greg Burnett
Mental Health Advocate

To the members of the board,

We are writing this letter in support of the guardian/conservator program currently in place with Muscatine County Community Services team. We, at our office, have worked professionally with Jessica Bopes and her team in aiding the citizens of Muscatine County who depend on this program. The Advisors in our offices not only have professional experience with guardian/conservatorship programs, but personal experiences of guardianship and caretaking of dependent people with disabilities as well.

Having a local program like this provides invaluable personal insight and assistance to the people they serve. Jessica and her team provide fantastic care for these individuals and are always looking to accomplish this with the individual's best interest in mind. They also go above and beyond, taking the time to talk with and get to know each person they care for. That personal care offers invaluable, in-depth insight for you as an organization and community, to better serve this community and its people's needs.

Outsourcing this program to groups not in the Muscatine County area takes away from the personal care and humility of being a guardian/conservator for a person in need. This program provides dignity and respect for these Muscatine County citizens. They deserve to be treated as human beings and not just a number on a piece of paper. How could you possibly do something in the best interest of a person if you, as a guardian/conservator, have never taken the time to meet that person or get to know them? That would be awfully hard to do if the guardian/conservator isn't in our community. Out of sight out, of mind? Isn't that the saying? Also, if you don't outsource the program, are you willing to drop the people this program serves, to have them fend for themselves, when most of them have no one else to assist them?

These people, Jessica and her team serve, are funding this care with their own assets, state funding, or Medicaid benefits. If anything comes from the county budget, it is to assist with the operations that provide that high level of care and service that the Muscatine County citizens deserve.

In conclusion, we know this is an invaluable service that you, as a county, provide. The insights provided by this program allow you to create better local partners and resources. Please consider the ramifications and the people that this will affect before cutting this program.

Nicholas J. Hays

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November 4, 2026

To the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors,

Thank you for your service to Muscatine County. At its best, a functioning government exists to serve the people... **all people**. That is why I am disappointed to hear that your board is considering eliminating services for Muscatine County residents who need them most.

As you know, Muscatine County Community Services serves as Representative Payee for nearly 200 individuals. That's nearly 200 people in Muscatine County - **your county -** with special needs. These are people who often have nowhere else to turn, little to no family support, and struggle day to day to get by because of circumstances beyond their control. Community Services help them find suitable housing, afford food, purchase warm clothing, and ensure their medical needs are met. **This is Muscatine County doing good for the people of Muscatine County.**

And that's the key here. These special need residents fund their own housing, utilities, food, and medical needs, not the taxpayers. County Community Services simply helps ensure that their money is managed responsibly and spent on the necessities that allow them good and happy lives.

So, the fact that you're considering eliminating several positions within County Community Services doesn't make sense.

These individuals need guardians and advocates to help them make the decisions they cannot. Eliminate these county positions, and you leave nearly 200 county residents on their own. Remove a handful of positions to save a few dollars today, and you risk allowing the mismanagement of hundreds of thousands of dollars in the future.

I implore you to reconsider the elimination of these vital positions within County Community Services. They are not unnecessary expenses. **They are essential services for residents of your county - residents you have been elected to serve.**

"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'" -Matthew 25:40

Thank you,

Muscatine County Resident and Taxpayer

West Liberty Chamber Director

Jacob Lane

To: Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

Re: Importance of Maintaining Funding for VA Fiduciary, Guardianship, Conservatorship & Representative Payee Services

Dear Muscatine County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to express my strong support for the continuation of the VA fiduciary, guardianship, conservatorship, and representative payee programs provided through Muscatine County Community Services. I understand that the board has concerns regarding the cost of operating these programs. However, I respectfully ask that you consider not only what these services cost the county, but also the significant financial and human consequences of eliminating them. Approximately 200 vulnerable individuals depend on these programs to maintain their housing, manage their finances, access necessary services, and remain safe in our community. These individuals cannot independently manage various aspects of their daily living due to documented disabilities, mental health challenges, cognitive impairments, or other hardships.

One of the most important issues for the board to consider is that these clients are paying their own expenses with their own money. These individuals' disability income and other personal funds are managed through a representative payee, VA fiduciary, and conservatorship services to ensure that their rent, utilities, food bills, medical expenses, and other basic necessities are paid. Without the county's services, these individuals could face devastating consequences. Eliminating these programs will not eliminate the needs of these 200 individuals. It will simply shift those needs—and potentially much greater expenses—to other parts of our community.

Homelessness, emergency room visits, psychiatric hospitalizations, law enforcement involvement, incarceration, and emergency shelter placements all carry substantial costs. When individuals lose the stability these programs provide, taxpayers will ultimately pay more to respond to the resulting crises than they would have paid to prevent them.

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To: Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Re: The importance of preserving VA fiduciary, guardianship, conservatorship, and representative payee services

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I am writing to express my strong support for the continuation of the guardianship, conservatorship, VA fiduciary, and representative payee programs provided through Muscatine County Community Services. I understand that the board has concerns regarding the financial cost of operating these programs. I respectfully ask, however, that you consider not only what these services cost the county, but also the significant financial and human consequences of eliminating them.

Approximately 200 vulnerable individuals depend on these programs to maintain their housing, manage their finances, access necessary services, and remain safe in our community. These are individuals who, because of disabilities, mental health challenges, cognitive impairments, or other circumstances, cannot independently manage certain aspects of their life. One of these individuals is my sister, for whom I serve along with her parents, as co-guardian. My sister currently is on the intellectual disability waiver and has additional mental health challenges and physical disabilities. She moved to Muscatine in 2011, at which time we were able to establish payee services through Muscatine County Community Servies. Lisa Wolf, Trust Specialist, for Muscatine County Community Services, has been my sister's payee since January 2015. Since that time, we have been able to work with Lisa Wolf, who is extremely adept, knowledgeable, responsive, and is great interpersonally. Being able to have a payee who is not a family member and whom we trust implicitly has been extremely helpful, not only because there are no concerns about financial management, but also because we have received invaluable guidance to help navigate the system. Lisa Wolf has helped ensure that my sister has been able to maintain housing, utilities, food, and have her basic needs met by ensuring that she remains eligible for Medicaid and food stamps, especially as there have been several policy changes throughout the years. Lisa Wolf has continued to advocate for my sister by identifying early any concerns of which we need to be aware and address as needed. My sister has been in and out of psychiatric hospitals, moved homes several times, and has transitioned through different programs. Each time, we were able to navigate these transitions more smoothly due to Lisa Wolf's assistance.

Of note, clients, including my sister, are paying their own expenses with their own money. Through representative payee, VA fiduciary, and conservatorship services their disability income, and other personal funds are managed to ensure that rent, utilities, food, medical expenses, and other basic necessities are paid. Without these services, the consequences could be devastating. Eliminating these programs will not eliminate the needs of these 200 individuals. It will simply shift those needs and potentially much greater expenses to other parts of our community. Homelessness, emergency room visits, psychiatric hospitalizations, law enforcement involvement, incarceration, and emergency shelter placements all carry substantial costs. When individuals lose the stability these programs provide, taxpayers may ultimately pay more to address the resulting crises than they would have paid to prevent them.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Lea Boldt

UnityPoint Health
Robert Young Center

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Administration Office

November 2, 2026

Jessica Bopes
Director, Muscatine County Community Services
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Dear Ms. Bopes,

On behalf of UnityPoint Health - Robert Young Center, I am writing to express our strong support for continued funding of the payee, guardianship, and conservatorship services offered to residents of Muscatine County. These programs are essential to helping vulnerable individuals maintain stability, independence, and access to needed care.

We are proud to partner with Muscatine County Community Services to support individuals with serious mental illness and complex needs. The loss of these services would significantly impact our clients' ability to maintain housing, manage finances, and achieve their recovery goals.

We greatly value this partnership and urge continued investment in these critical services, which make a meaningful difference in the lives of Muscatine County residents.

Sincerely,

Dennis Duke, President
UnityPoint Health – Robert Young Center

To: Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

Re: The importance of preserving VA fiduciary, guardianship, conservatorship, and representative payee services

Dear members of the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to express my support for the continuation of the guardianship, conservatorship, VA fiduciary, and representative payee programs provided through Muscatine County Community Services. Managing individuals within the criminal justice system requires a comprehensive approach to stability, and maintaining a strong partnership with payees, guardians, and conservators is vital to reducing recidivism and ensuring community safety. For many clients, navigating the complexities of daily life—such as managing finances, securing stable housing, and making informed legal or medical decisions—presents a significant barrier to successful rehabilitation. When the Criminal Justice department actively collaborates with these court-appointed fiduciaries and decision-makers, it establishes a reliable support structure that shields vulnerable individuals from exploitation and homelessness. By ensuring that a client's basic needs are met and their financial obligations are managed consistently, this partnership minimizes the situational stressors that frequently trigger criminal behavior. Ultimately, sustaining this collaborative relationship allows probation officers and case managers to focus on behavioral rehabilitation, knowing that the client's foundational, logistical, and legal guardrails are securely in place.

Without these services, the burden will fall on other parts of the community, and lives could be drastically altered; therefore, I believe that the VA fiduciary, guardianship, conservatorship, and representative payee services should remain as they are.

Respectfully,

Rick Fountain
Parole-Probation Officer

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November 5, 2026

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

RE: Support for Continued Full Funding of Muscatine County Community Services

Dear Members of the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of Community Action of Eastern Iowa (CAEI), I am writing to express our strong support for the continued full funding of Muscatine County Community Services, including the continuation of its payee, guardian, and conservator services.

Muscatine County Community Services has been an outstanding partner to CAEI and, more importantly, a trusted resource for individuals and families throughout Muscatine County. Our organizations routinely work alongside one another, making referrals, coordinating resources, and helping ensure that residents receive the support they need. This type of collaboration is critical to a strong community service network. CAEI itself serves individuals and families throughout Muscatine County as part of our four-county service area and relies on strong community partnerships to connect residents with comprehensive supports.

Our experience with Muscatine County Community Services has consistently been positive. Their staff are responsive, collaborative, compassionate, and deeply committed to the people they serve. When CAEI reaches out on behalf of an individual or family, Community Services works with us to find solutions. Likewise, when their clients may benefit from CAEI programs, they connect those individuals with our organization. It is exactly this kind of cooperation among local service providers that helps prevent vulnerable residents from falling through the cracks.

At a time when nonprofit organizations and public agencies are being asked to stretch limited resources further, maintaining strong local partnerships becomes even more important. Eliminating services does not necessarily eliminate the underlying need. Instead, those needs can shift to other community resources that may not be positioned for the specialized assistance.

For these reasons, Community Action of Eastern Iowa respectfully urges the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors to maintain full funding for Muscatine County Community Services and preserve the payee, guardian, and conservator programs.

Thank you for your consideration and for your continued commitment to the people of Muscatine County.

Sincerely,

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November 5, 2026

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
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RE: Community Services Programs

Dear Supervisors:

I am writing in support of the Guardianship and Conservatorship programs provided by Community Services to the citizens of Muscatine County in order to assist those who are unable to take care of themselves.

For several years, I have been court appointed to represent people who are the subjects of the Guardianship and Conservatorship actions filed by Community Services. These are people of all ages. What they have in common is they have no one, family or friends, who can or will become their Guardian or Conservator. They have no one who can or will make decisions for them regarding their daily lives. They have no one who can or will help them with finances, medical decisions or just to care for them. That is what Community Services does when appointed as the individual's Guardian and or Conservator. They provide services and resources to these individuals. Without them, these folks would have no assistance.

These programs are needed in our community. Please carefully consider the benefits provided by these programs before making any decisions to modify or eliminate them.

If I can be of assistances, please contact me at 563-264-5523.

Sincerely,

Esther J. Dean
Attorney at Law

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Item #5

- 2027 Wildlife Diversity Habitat Management Grant Application Memo

MUSCATINE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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11/4/2026

To: Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

From: Katie Hammond, Muscatine County Conservation Director

RE: 2027 Wildlife Diversity Habitat Management Grant

I am seeking permission for Conservation to apply for a Wildlife Diversity Habitat Management grant from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

Project Summary: The purpose of this grant is to restore/reclaim the 85.1-acre Shield Prairie. Shield Prairie is a native remnant of a rare sand prairie habitat. It is home to several species of greater conservation need SGCN and threatened and endangered species. The project will include an aggressive attack on woody invasive species including gray dogwoods, and black locust.

Grant Request: $7,500

Match: No match is required although Conservation is prepared to spend money out of our Fertilizer/ Seed/ Herbicide line item to assist with the project.

Project Location: Shield Prairie, 1825 Seven Springs Rd, Muscatine.

Project Procedures: The procedures will follow the Shield Prairie Wildlife Management Plan FY2023-2036. The project will consist of utilizing a combination of herbicide application, forestry mulching, and prescribed fire.

Gray dogwoods will be treated with a bud inhibitor, Krenite, through drone spraying. This takes a couple years to fully take effect.

Black locusts will be treated by Tremline or Milestone, through basal bark treatment. Larger trees will be cut down and stump treated.

Forestry mulching will be utilized to establish good burn breaks so that we can safely and effectively utilize prescribed fire as another management tool in this area.

This project is going to be a multi-year project. As with many invasive species a combination of techniques including chemical application, mechanical removal, and prescribed fire will be needed to keep the woody invasives at bay.

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- Resolution 11-09-26-01 Granting an Extension for Filing of Replat of Brookside Subdivision

RESOLUTION #11-09-26-01
RESOLUTION GRANTING EXTENSION FOR FILING THE FINAL PLAT OF BROOKSIDE ADDITION SUBDIVISION

WHEREAS, the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors approved the preliminary and final plat of the Brookside Addition Subdivision on August 16, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 1.7 of the Muscatine County Subdivision Ordinance requires recording of the final plat within 90 days of its approval; and

WHEREAS, the final plat was not recorded within the 90-day window and an application for an extension of time was not made to the Board of Supervisors under the provisions of Section 1.7; and

WHEREAS, owing to an additional period of time being needed to file the final plat; and

WHEREAS, the attorney representing the owners has submitted a written request for an extension after the 90-day filing period has expired and has paid the $100 fee, as required by Section 1.7.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors:

1. That Steve Kundel, attorney for the Brookside Addition owners, is granted an additional 90 days to file the final plat and otherwise comply with the subdivision ordinance.

Passed and approved this 9th day of November, 2026.

ATTEST:

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Tibe VanderLinden	Danny Chick, Chairperson
Muscatine County Auditor	Muscatine County Board of Supervisors

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- Board of Supervisor Meeting Minutes 11-02-26

Muscatine County Board of Supervisors
Monday, November 2, 2026

The Muscatine County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 A.M. with Chick, Sauer and Sorensen present. Kirchner and Mather were absent. Chairperson Chick presiding.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, the agenda was approved as presented. Ayes: All.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, the Board approved the following utility permit with County Engineer Bryan Horesowsky: Eastern Iowa Light & Power of Wilton, Iowa- install underground electric under 3315 - 200th Street to replace an overhead electric service. Section 24, 25-T77N-R01W. Ayes: All.

County Engineer Bryan Horesowsky updated the Board on secondary road projects.

On a motion by Sauer, second by Sorensen, the Board approved the minutes of the October 26, 2026, regular meeting. Ayes: All.

Correspondence:

Sorensen received a couple of phone calls on the future discussion of trust services.

Committee & Meeting Reports:

Chick and Sorensen attended a Housing Council meeting on October 28, 2026.
Sauer attended a Muscatine County Conservation Board meeting on October 26, 2026.
Sauer attended the Fair Board Annual meeting on October 27, 2026.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, the Board re-appointed Brad Akers to the Muscatine County Zoning Commission for a five-year term ending November 7, 2031. Ayes: All.

Human Resources Director Kayla Petersen held discussion with the Board regarding possible action regarding an employee's unused vacation. Petersen stated she felt under the current policy she does not have the authority to grant the request. Petersen asked the Board if they would grant an additional extension.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, the Board approved an additional extension of 60 days to use unused vacation.

Human Resources Director Kayla Petersen held discussion with the Board to possibly revise the unused vacation section of the Muscatine County Employee Handbook. After brief discussion, a motion was presented to table this discussion until we have a full board.

On a motion by Sorensen, second by Sauer, the Board will table the discussion to possibly revise the unused vacation section of the Muscatine County Employee Handbook until next week's meeting. Ayes: All.

County Development Director Eric Furnas reported he attended a meeting with City Leaders, the Department of Transportation and some City Businesses regarding the Highway 92 Bridge Maintenance Project. The overall project would be 3-4 months and would require a hard closure of the bridge for approximately 4-6 weeks. The number of employees in Muscatine that would be affected is around 500 that live in Illinois. Furnas stated that more discussions are to be had, and more information on this project will come later.

County Auditor Tibe Vander Linden reminded everyone that Monday November 2, 2026, was the last day to early vote in the Auditors office from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Vander Linden reminded voters to bring a valid driver's license or a government-issued ID when you vote.

Priscilla Brown, residing at 1238 Vista Court Muscatine, stated she was here to speak on the Trust and Conservatorship Program. The Board stated the discussion for this item was moved to next week's meeting. Brown spoke about her concerns for her handicapped brother, which is currently utilizing these services and the importance of this program for him and others. Brown urged the Board not to eliminate these services.

Karen Cooney, residing at 2902 Termini Drive Muscatine, stated she had worked for the City of Muscatine in the Housing Program for over 30 years. Cooney worked along with the people in the Trust Department that took care of the individuals in the Trust and Conservatorship program. Cooney suggests the city, county and all the different agencies work together to see what the solutions for our area are. Chick stated he does have meetings set up for this coming week with Crossroads, Optima, etc.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 A.M.

ATTEST:

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Tibe Vander Linden	Danny Chick, Chairperson
County Auditor	Board of Supervisors