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Dubuque Racing Association Donates \$590,000 to Greater Dubuque Disaster Recovery Fund in light of COVID-19

DUBUQUE, Iowa – The Dubuque Racing Association, a 501(c)(4) organization, recently announced a \$590,000 contribution to the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque's Disaster Recover Fund. The fund is held at the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque on behalf of the Dubuque Area COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disaster's).

The Disaster Recovery Fund will provide grants to community-based organizations/service providers *reducing economic, educational, and health impact on vulnerable populations* during and following the pandemic as well as long-term needs that may emerge. Grants will support unmet human needs resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic including coordination of assistance to individuals and families and programs and services related to recovery.

Applicants must be a non-profit, tax-exempt organization that has received 501(c)(3) designation from the Internal Revenue Service or be a church, school, or government. Eligible applicants shall be located in the following counties: in Iowa – Dubuque, Clayton, Delaware, Jones, and Jackson; Wisconsin – Grant, Iowa and Lafayette; Illinois – Jo Daviess.

The Disaster Recovery Fund is implemented by the Community Organizations Active in Disasters (COAD) Long-term Recovery Committee which includes representatives of: the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque, United Way of Dubuque Tri-States, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Dubuque, and Hawkeye Area Community Action Program.

Organizations that wish to apply for Disaster Recovery Funds use Access Code: COVID19 at <https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=dbqfoundation>.

The Dubuque Racing Association (DRA) has been a vital part of the community since its inception in 1985. The DRA is operated by a volunteer board comprised of 21 directors who work together to guide operations at Q Casino. The DRA holds the license for casino-gaming operations of Q Casino, and is the co-licensee for the Diamond Jo Casino. In 2019, the DRA distributed over \$21 million to multiple entities including the State of Iowa, City of Dubuque, Dubuque County, and local non-profits. The DRA is funded exclusively by contributions from Q Casino and the Diamond Jo Casino, Dubuque.

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