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Ryan Waller
City Manager
City of Indianola
110 North First Street
Indianola, IA 50125

Dear Mr. Waller and City of Indianola Officials:

Thank you for your support through the GC19 Bravo Greater Des Moines Cultural Enrichment Grant (CEG) program, which is funded by a portion of the hotel-motel taxes from your city. The State Historical Museum of Iowa is utilizing the Bravo CEG grant funds for the development and implementation of new exhibits, educational offerings and programs at the State Historical Museum of Iowa that provide new, interactive and engaging experiences for nearly 90,000 residents and tourists annually.

The mission of the State Historical Museum of Iowa is to exhibit and care for a rich collection of historic artifacts while also providing history education programs for children, families and individuals. As the state’s flagship museum, the museum offers a distinctive experience with a comprehensive collection of historical artifacts and documents that are highlighted through its 50,000 square feet of exhibition space along with onsite and outreach educational programs. Admission to the State Historical Museum continues to be offered free to the public, free covered parking is available across the street, and a city bus stop is located adjacent to the building, making the museum highly accessible to the community. The museum’s programs, educational offerings and exhibits not only reach residents of Bravo communities, but further serve as a draw for tourists from the state of Iowa and beyond Iowa’s borders.

We appreciate your city’s support of the State Historical Museum of Iowa, one of Iowa’s greatest historical resources. This funding allows the museum to provide new experiences for visitors that would not be possible without the benefit of the Bravo CEG program. If you or other city staff or city council members would like a tour of the museum and/or collections vault, please let us know as we would be happy to provide it.

Sincerely,

Susan Kloewer
Museum Director
State Historical Museum of Iowa