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The Moline Foundation Announces Spring Grant Awards

The Moline Foundation Board approved **\$230,000** in grant funding for **forty-three** area non-profit organizations. The Moline Foundation accepted applications for capital and program expenses.

Samuel McCollum, Executive Director / Founder of STEAM on Wheels stated "This support will help implement a STEAM program at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center during the 2022-23 school year. The 32-week curriculum will use emerging technologies to expose all students to STEAM in unique ways that encourage learning, improve academic outcomes, and prepare them for successful careers. As Frederick Douglas said, "It is easier to build strong children than repair broken men."

Jennifer Kingery, Fundraising Chair and Board member of Playcrafters Barn Theater commented "We are extremely grateful to The Moline Foundation for their assistance toward our fundraising campaign to replace our aging roof. Last year, their grant provided us much-needed seed money and now this 2022 award puts us within arm's length of having the project fully funded. We have high hopes patrons and fans of our nearly 100-year-old community theatre will take us over the goal line to pay off this most essential need."

Grants approved include:

<u>Abbey Foundation</u>	<u>\$5,000 Capital Improvements</u>
<u>Association of Fundraising Professionals</u>	<u>\$2,500 Program Support</u>
<u>American Red Cross of Quad Cities</u>	<u>\$3,500 Home Fire Prevention & Relief</u>
<u>Argrow's House of Healing and Hope</u>	<u>\$7,500 Client Support Services</u>
<u>Bethany for Children and Families</u>	<u>\$7,500 Teen Programing</u>
<u>Boys & Girls Clubs of the Mississippi Valley</u>	<u>\$5,000 Programming Support</u>
<u>Crime Stoppers of the Quad Cities</u>	<u>\$2,500 Gun Buy Back Program</u>
<u>Dress for Success</u>	<u>\$2,500 Career Connections Program</u>
<u>EveryChild</u>	<u>\$5,000 Prevention Services</u>
<u>Family Museum of Arts and Sciences</u>	<u>\$2,500 Thomas & Friends Summer Programming</u>
<u>Figge Art Museum</u>	<u>\$2,500 Big Picture Outreach</u>
<u>First Tee Quad Cities</u>	<u>\$2,500 Program Support</u>
<u>Friends of Hauberg Civic Center</u>	<u>\$4,000 Capital Support</u>
<u>Genesius Guild</u>	<u>\$2,500 Midsummers Night's Dream Production Cost</u>

<u>German American Heritage Center</u>	<u>\$1,000 Programming Support</u>
<u>Gilda's Club Quad Cities</u>	<u>\$3,000 Technology Upgrades</u>
<u>Gigi's Playhouse</u>	<u>\$2,500 Technology Upgrades</u>
<u>Habitat for Humanity</u>	<u>\$7,500 Low-Income Homeowners Support</u>
<u>Heart of Hope Ministries</u>	<u>\$3,000 Capital Project Support</u>
<u>Humilities Homes and Services</u>	<u>\$5,000 Rapid Rehousing Program</u>
<u>Jamieson Community Center</u>	<u>\$5,000 Mercer County Senior Services</u>
<u>Living Proof Exhibit</u>	<u>\$2,500 Program Support</u>
<u>Mercado on Fifth</u>	<u>\$10,000 Capital Improvements New Community Center</u>
<u>Midwest Writing Center</u>	<u>\$2,500 Young Emerging Writers Internships</u>
<u>Moline 150</u>	<u>\$15,000 Sesquicentennial Celebration Support</u>
<u>Moline Township</u>	<u>\$2,500 Summer Concert Series</u>
<u>NEST Cafe</u>	<u>\$8,500 Food Cost</u>
<u>Playcrafters Barn Theater</u>	<u>\$8,000 Roof Replacement</u>
<u>Prairie State Legal Services</u>	<u>\$4,000 Program Support</u>
<u>Pregnancy Resources</u>	<u>\$2,500 Safety First Car Seat Program</u>
<u>Quad Cities Open Network</u>	<u>\$2,500 QCON Program Support</u>
<u>Quad Cities Senior Olympics</u>	<u>\$1,000 Program Support</u>
<u>Quad Cities Youth Conference</u>	<u>\$2,500 Program Support</u>
<u>Quad City Botanical Center</u>	<u>\$3,500 Ability Garden</u>
<u>Quad City Symphony Orchestra</u>	<u>\$2,500 Youth Ensemble</u>
<u>River Bend Food Bank</u>	<u>\$25,000 Expanding to End Hunger Campaign</u>
<u>SAL Family and Community Services</u>	<u>\$10,000 Milan Facility Playground Improvements</u>
<u>STEAM on Wheels</u>	<u>\$10,000 Martin Luther King Jr. Center Programs</u>
<u>Truth First Film Alliance</u>	<u>\$2,500 Resurrecting Forest Grove Production</u>
<u>Two Rivers YMCA</u>	<u>\$10,000 Summer Camp</u>
<u>Wilson Middle School</u>	<u>\$1,500 Family Reading Program</u>
<u>Youth Service Bureau of Rock Island County</u>	<u>\$4,000 Program Support</u>
<u>YouthHope Christian Friendliness</u>	<u>\$7,500 HVAC Repairs</u>

Paul Plagenz, President / CEO of The Moline Foundation reflected "These grant awards are possible because of the community's generous financial support of our grant-making endowment. The Moline Foundation is proud to support and partner with these non-profit organizations as they improve our area residents' quality of life."

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About The Moline Foundation

The Moline Foundation, founded in 1953, is a community foundation which provides grants to health, human services, education, community development, the arts and other charitable organizations which benefit the citizens of Moline and the surrounding area. The Moline Foundation receives and administers charitable gifts in a seven-county region including Rock Island, Henry, Mercer, Warren, Henderson, and McDonough Counties in Illinois and Scott County in Iowa.