

# CEDAR VALLEY TRAILS PARTNERSHIP

## 2026 GRANT APPLICATION

The Cedar Valley Trails Partnership, a non-profit volunteer group advocating for the safe and enjoyable use of the Cedar Valley recreational trail system, invites applications for financial aid for projects that will further the Partnership's goals.

## Eligible Projects

Cedar Valley Trails Partnership grants may be used as matching or primary funds for trail projects in Black Hawk and contiguous counties. Eligible projects include those that will:

- Expand or improve the recreational trail system.
- Maintain the trails to the highest obtainable safety, beauty, and utility standards.
- Promote the trail system as a recreational resource, vacation, and tourism destination.
- Educate trail users in trail etiquette and safe trail use.
- Planning or study projects and funding for operational staff costs are not eligible.

Minimum grant: \$500      Maximum grant: \$5,000

Application deadline: February 28, 2026      Announcement of grant awards: April, 2026

### Recognition Stipulation

Any project funded partially or entirely by the Cedar Valley Trails Partnership must bear the words "Provided by the Cedar Valley Trails Partnership" or words to that effect. The Partnership shall have final approval of all media releases concerning this grant and of the recognition of this grant as a funding source for the project.

## Grant Decisions

The Partnership prioritizes projects that provide long-term benefits to the Cedar Valley recreational trail system and its users. The Cedar Valley Trails Partnership board of directors votes on all requests for funds. Board members employed by or otherwise involved with the applicants shall abstain from the vote, though they may participate in the discussion of the applications. The Partnership will send written notice to all applicants informing them of the board's decision.

## Submitting Grant application

Applications will be accepted electronically or on paper. Electronic applications can be emailed to [trails@cedarvalleytrails.org](mailto:trails@cedarvalleytrails.org). Paper applications can be mailed to: Cedar Valley Trails Partnership, ATTN: Partnership Grant Committee, P.O. Box 275, Cedar Falls, IA 50613

## Cedar Valley Trails Partnership Grant Application

Name of project:

For more information, contact the Office of the Vice President for Research and Economic Development at 319-273-2500 or [research@uiowa.edu](mailto:research@uiowa.edu).

Name of Organization:

For more information, contact the Office of the Vice President for Research and the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs.

## Project Description

A. Primary project type (choose one):

Trail construction or repair	Trail enhancement and/or beautification	
Trail-specific maintenance equipment	Trail use promotion	
Trail safety promotion	Other	

## Project Costs

CVTP Grant requested, Maximum \$5,000	
Total Project Costs	
Other Funding	

B. Need to be addressed, along with the expected benefits.

C. Timetable for project. The project must be completed within 24 months of the award.

For more information, contact the Office of the Vice President for Research and Economic Development at 515-294-6450 or [research@iastate.edu](mailto:research@iastate.edu).

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