

REGION XII
COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

2026 REAP Funding Update

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources will be accepting applications for its REAP City Parks and Open Spaces and County Conservation Grant Programs. Grants for up to 100% of project costs awarded to Cities and County Conservation Boards may be used for the acquisition, establishment and maintenance of natural parks, preserves and open spaces.

City REAP Grant Ceilings are based on population:

Population	Grant Ceiling
0-1,000	$50,000
1,000 - 5,000	$75,000
5,001 - 10,000	$100,000
10,001 - 25,000	$125,000

Examples of projects include multipurpose trails, restroom facilities, shelter houses and picnic facilities, museums, parks, preserves, parkways, city forests, city wildlife areas as well as other open space-oriented acquisition and development projects.

Applications are due August 14, 2026 and all applications shall be reviewed by the local county REAP committee.

If your community is interested in submitting an application or you have questions about this program please contact any of the Local Assistance staff at the COG.

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