



### SPACE TO CHILL

Cold-Link Logistics recently broke ground on a new multi-phased cold storage facility to serve and enhance the area's robust food processing industry. Built on 40 acres of Sioux City's growing Southbridge Industrial Park, the project will provide significant property tax revenues and expand the business park's infrastructure and capacity.

The first phase involves a \$60 million investment spanning 185,000 sq. ft. of cold storage warehousing for local businesses. Le Mars-based Wells Enterprises, which produces about one billion pounds of ice cream each year, will immediately fill half the space with 10,000 pallets of its products.

Cold-Link's facility will initially bring at least 60 jobs, including 50 production staff with highly competitive wages, and should open by early 2023. The company's future plans will more than triple the size of the building.

"Ten years ago when we started creating an infrastructure in Southbridge, this was the exact project we had in mind—one that plays to our region's strengths in the food processing industry," says Mayor Bob Scott.

"Sioux City was an ideal location due to many factors, but most importantly we were welcomed by state and local leaders who truly valued this partnership and investment," explains Michael Mandich, president of Cold-Link Logistics, which is headquartered in Florida.

Along with property tax rebates, Cold-Link has received commitments from the City of Sioux City to provide infrastructure to serve the development site—including a new rail spur and road funded in part by the Iowa Department of Transportation.

### SMALL BUSINESS SUPPORT

Iowa's West Coast Initiative continues to prioritize small business growth and entrepreneurial activity in the Sioux City area, notes Jesse Hinrichs, IWCI entrepreneurial community navigator.

#### Here's how:

- Hosting monthly First Friday Coffee events, which invite local businesses and resources to connect with others in the community.
- Teaming up with the University of Iowa's John Pappajohn
   Entrepreneurial Center's Venture School to help local businesses solidify business plans, identify customers, and create targeted markets.
- Organizing the ninth annual Launch Week (Nov. 14–18) to promote innovation and entrepreneurship through events like BizBrew, Business for Breakfast, The Big Challenge, educational workshops, and more.
- Partnering with Siouxland Growth Organization to co-sponsor Innovation Market, an entrepreneurial pitch competition, and Innovation Grow, which allows Sioux City Career Academy students to develop small businesses around their ideas during the semester.

#### What's next?

In the heart of downtown Sioux City, Iowa's West Coast Initiative is creating an Innovation Center. This will serve as a hub for entrepreneurial activity and provide services, resources, and programming to help commercialize emerging technologies and boost local businesses.

"The Innovation Center builds on our regional strengths by promoting the growth of agribusiness and food innovation, but it also leads to diversification for this area's economy by supporting the formation of high-tech, high-growth companies," shares Renae Billings, business development coordinator.

This year's Innovation Market winners were Furrow Flower Farm (\$5,000), Crumb. (\$2,500), and Siouxland Junk Removal (\$1,000). The awards event was hosted by Jefferson Beer Supply, 2021 grand prize recipient.





#### **LOCAL SUCCESS STORY**

Crumb.—a licensed home-based bakery in Sioux City—has benefitted firsthand from programs offered through lowa's West Coast Initiative. Thanks to Venture School, Small Business Marketplace, and loads of networking opportunities, Crumb. has goals of opening a commercial location and retail storefront in downtown Sioux City.



### HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS

Across the country and in our own backyard, the demand for housing continues. Sioux City has responded with a variety of options for buyers and renters.

The market is seeing consistent growth, especially in Whispering Creek, Woodbury Heights, The Residence at Elk Creek, and other developments throughout the city. Downtown Sioux City features more properties than ever before. Mixed-use projects like Bluebird Flats and Copper Flats are now leasing, and renovations to the Badgerow Building (by January 2023) and the Benson Building (by Summer 2023) will provide added options for loft living in historic places.

Another way to meet housing demand is by using existing homes in our community. In partnership with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Neighborhood Services Division offers funding sources that can help residents improve their older homes. The city also offers comprehensive tax abatement options for building new homes or making home improvements, such as basement renovations and garage additions.

Reaching unprecedented peaks in 2020, Sioux City's housing market has remained strong. As demand continues to grow, notes Economic & Community Development Director Marty Dougherty, certain factors make it challenging to satisfy.

"The pandemic has affected costs and availability of building supplies, but we are striving every day to meet the growing needs of our community," he says. "We're working with local and regional developers on numerous projects, as we want Sioux City to be a preeminent location for all types of housing: townhomes, single family, and multifamily apartments."

### COMMUNITY PARK PLANS

Sioux City is getting a new neighborhood park! Located at 14th and Ingleside, the two-lot site was originally home to the Sioux City College of Medicine in the late 1800s and later Thompson Electric in 1935.

When the company later relocated, it left behind a small park that shared its name—a park that was lost to the Ingleside Avenue reconstruction project but is now being returned to its original location.

"Thompson Park honors Sioux City's history while providing a practical new resource for our community," says Councilmember Matthew O'Kane. "The park will be an asset to the neighborhood that brings family and friends together in this new space."

Designed for multigenerational use, the space will

have a shelter, outdoor grills, a food truck parking pad, and children's playground equipment. Construction is underway and will be complete by Spring 2023.





"What is there to do?" It's the question of children looking ahead to the summer and the quandary of adults planning a day off or a night out. Sioux City responds with options to suit every interest and every budget.

To get you started, we've created four action-packed itineraries filled with places to explore, eat, and enjoy. TURN THE PAGE to check them out, mix and match, add your own twists. Visit exploresiouxcity.com for more inspiration.

Whether you're new to the Sioux City area or have lived here your whole life, you might be surprised by the unique and plentiful options that will keep you busy for days on end!

# **DESTINATION SIOUX CITY: OUTDOOR ENTHUSIASTS**

### **DAY 1 ITINERARY**

### **Pierce Street**

**Coffee Works** 

**BREAKFAST** 

Grab a coffee for now and picnic fare for later.



#### STOP 1 **Stone State**

**Explore the trails** and enjoy the natural beauty!

**Park** 



#### STOP 2

#### **Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center**

Learn about the natural history of the Loess Hills, then find your perfect picnic spot.



Picnic

**LUNCH** 

Outdoor



#### **Loess Hills Scenic Byway**

STOP 3

Drive along Highway 12 to see free-range bison and Iowa's largest native prairie.

1.5 hours

#### STOP 4

#### **Bacon Creek** Park

Go fishing, kayaking, hiking, or just relax.

#### **DINNER**

#### **Oscar Carl** Vineyard



#### STOP 5

#### Outdoor **Adventures**

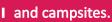
Dive into a local pool, tee it up on the golf course, or ponder the stars.



1-2 hours

#### **I STAY HERE**

**Stone State Park** I features 32 cabins



Hilton Garden Inn offers quick access to scenic trails along the Missouri River.

### MIX & MATCH

- Visit Chris Larsen Park along the Missouri River.
- Check out Long Lines Climbing.
- Enjoy outdoor concerts & movies at Grandview Park. Cool off in IBP Ice Center.
- Explore Adams Homestead & Nature Preserve.

1-3 hours

### **DAY 2 ITINERARY**

#### STOP 1

#### **Riverfront Trails**

Walk, bike, or run along 12+ miles of consecutive trails.



### 1.5 hours

#### STOP 2

#### **Sioux City Farmers Market**

Stop by Wednesdays and Saturdays, 8 a.m.-1 p.m.



1 hour

#### STOP 3

#### **Sertoma Park Enjoy playground**

time or disc golf, plus covered picnic shelters and a paved trail.



1-2 hours

#### **LUNCH**

#### **Hunan Palace**

Dine in or take out. OR

#### **Four Brothers**

Try the outdoor patio seating!



#### STOP 4

#### **Cone Park**

Experience the thrill of summer tubing!



2-2.5 hours

### STOP 5

#### **Sioux City Explorers**

Catch a game through Sept. 5. FOR DINNER. grab a bite at the ballpark!



2-4 hours

# **DESTINATION SIOUX CITY: FAMILY FUN**

### **DAY 1 ITINERARY**

### **Sunkist Bakery** Madonna Rose

**BREAKFAST** 



#### STOP 1

#### Sioux City **Pubic Library**

Join a summer reading program, attend story times, or find a new read.

1 hour

#### STOP 2

#### LaunchPAD Children's Museum

**Engage with** learning in fun and exciting ways!

2 hours

#### **LUNCH**

#### Tastee Inn & Out OR **Food Truck**

**Friday** 

#### **Sioux City Public Museum**

STOP 3

Connect with Sioux City's history through interactive exhibits.

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#### STOP 4

#### **Koated Kernels** OR **Palmer's Candy** Shoppe

Satisfy your sweet tooth!

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.5 hour

#### **STAY HERE**

**Stoney Creek Inn has** family-friendly suites and the area's only indoor/outdoor pool.



#### **Sioux City Art Center**

STOP 5

Get creative at the **Junior League** Hands On! Gallery.

1 hour

#### **DINNER**

#### SoHo Kitchen & Bar OR

Trattoria Fresco



#### STOP 6

**Riverfront Trails** Wind down with a family walk or bike ride along the Missouri River.

2-2.5 hours

#### **BREAKFAST**

#### **Jitters**

Have a donut, sit on comfy couches, and play board games!



#### STOP 1

#### **Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center**

**Explore interactive** exhibits, scenic trails, and a unique playground.



1-2 hours

### **DAY 2 ITINERARY**

#### STOP 2

#### **Sioux City** Railroad Museum

Watch history come to life on this 32-acre complex.

1-1.5 hours

#### **LUNCH**

**Billy Boy's Drive-In** 

#### STOP 3

### **Miracle Field**

Bring the whole family for a friendly game of t-ball, kickball, or miniature golf.

1-2 hours

#### STOP 4

#### **Lewis & Clark Interpretive** Center

Immerse yourself in this award-winning facility.

1-2 hours

#### **LOCAL DEEP DIVE**

Many Siouxland attractions feature interactive components for kids... and many of them are free!

#### STOP 5

#### Museum of **Aviation & Transportation**

View full-size vehicles of all shapes and sizes!

**Mid America** 

1 hour

#### **DINNER**

#### Pizza Ranch

#### STOP 6

#### **Cone Park**

Brighten up your night with summer glow tubing!

2-2.5 hours

## **DESTINATION SIOUX CITY: ARTS LOVERS**

### **DAY 1 ITINERARY**

#### **BREAKFAST**

**Hardline Coffee** 

STOP 1

#### **ArtSUX Gallery**

Explore a unique space where artists create and show their work.



1 hour

#### STOP 2

**Sculpt Siouxland** 

Stroll downtown Sioux City and find your favorite sculpture!





#### STOP 3

**Sioux City** 

Murals

Discover the community's growing collection of colorful murals.



#### **LUNCH**

**BLUE Café on** The Block



#### STOP 4

**Sioux City Art Center** 

Check out traveling exhibits and an impressive permanent collection.



#### STOP 5

**Betty Strong Encounter** Center

View permanent and traveling exhibits plus scheduled entertainment.



#### **DINNER**

Marto OR

**Jackson Street Brewery** 

Arts and crafts lovers will appreciate the fare of the city's local breweries!

#### STOP 6

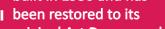
Local **Performances** 

Check out LAMB Theatre. **Sioux City** Community Theatre, or VanGarde Arts.



#### **I STAY HERE**

I The Warrior Hotel was built in 1930 and has



original Art Deco grandeur.

## MIX & MATCH

- Relax at an outdoor concert at the Grandview Park Band Shell.
- View memorabilia at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino.
- Explore Sioux City's Downtown
- Architectural Tour. Unwind at Crown Rooftop Bar after a show.



### DAY 2 ITINERARY

#### **BREAKFAST**

**Brightside Café** & Deli

#### STOP 1

#### **Trinity Heights**

**Appreciate** larger-than-life **Christian sculptures** in a scenic setting.

#### STOP 2

Clausen Art **Gallery at Briar Cliff** University

View the work of talented students and faculty.



1 hour

#### STOP 3

Gallery 103 & **3 Rivers Art** 

Gallery

Visit the Ho-Chunk Centre to see creations by local artists.

#### **LUNCH**

Picnic at **Latham Park** 

#### STOP 4

**Helen Levitt Art Gallery & Eppley Art Gallery at** Morningside University

**Explore two** gallery spaces with impressive collections.

> Ō 1 hour

#### STOP 5

**Pickled Palette** 

Create your own masterpiece!



#### **DINNER**

Table 32



### STOP 6

**World-Class** Shows

Find out what's happening at the Orpheum Theatre, **Tyson Events** Center, or Hard **Rock Hotel &** Casino.



2-4 hours

## **DESTINATION SIOUX CITY:** HISTORY BUFFS

### DAY 1 ITINERARY-

#### **BREAKFAST**

**Johnnie Mars** 

#### STOP 1

#### Adams **Homestead & Nature Preserve**

Learn about homestead life on this 1,500-acre showcase.

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#### STOP 2

#### Mid America Museum of **Aviation & Transportation**

View full-size vehicles from a range of decades.



1 hour

#### STOP 3

#### "Spirit of Siouxland" Flight 232 Memorial

Visit the sevenfoot sculpture that captures a scene from when United Flight 232 crashlanded.

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#### **LUNCH**

#### Milwaukee **Wiener House** OR **Tacos El Guero**

#### STOP 4

#### Sioux City **Public Museum**

Learn about the

rich history and culture of Sioux City and surrounding areas.

1.5 hours

#### STOP 5

#### **Grandview Park** & Band Shell

Stroll through this city park with its iconic band shell completed in 1908.

1 hour

#### **I STAY HERE**

Hard Rock Hotel is housed I in the historic Battery Building. which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

#### **LOCAL DEEP DIVE**

Want to learn more? The Sioux City Public Museum's archives and the local libraries are excellent (and free!) resources.

#### **DINNER**

#### Woodbury's— **An American Steakhouse**

Dine on the second floor of the historic Warrior Hotel.

### **DAY 2 ITINERARY**

#### **BREAKFAST**

#### **Horizon Family** Restaurant OR **Koffie Knechtion**

#### STOP 1

#### **War Eagle** Monument

Visit the grave site of this honorable, peace-seeking Yankton Sioux chief who died in 1851.

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#### STOP 2

#### **Bruguier's Cabin**

Take a look at the area's oldest known structure for a glimpse into Sioux City history.



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#### STOP 3

#### **Sergeant Floyd River Museum** & Welcome

Center Stop by this key

component of the Lewis & Clark **National Historic** Trail.



#### **LUNCH**

Pickerman's OR Minerva's

#### STOP 4

#### **Lewis & Clark** Interpretive Center

Immerse vourself in this award-winning facility.

> ➂ 1 hour

#### STOP 5

#### **Sergeant Floyd** Monument

Spend some time at America's first designated **National Historic** Landmark.



#### STOP 6

#### **Lewis & Clark Scenic Byway**

Follow the trail that Lewis & Clark explored.

2-2.5 hours

#### **DINNER**

**Sneaky's Chicken** OR **Tony's Pizza** 

# SO MUCH TO DO!

















#### **CONE PARK**

coneparksiouxcity.com • 712-279-6126 Walking/biking tails + summer tubing & splash pad!

#### DOROTHY PECAUT NATURE CENTER

woodburyparks.org • 712-258-0838 Hiking trails + summer camps. Visit on Facebook for details.

#### **DOWNTOWN LIVE CONCERTS**

downtownlivesc.com • 712-252-0014 Held at the Sioux City Public Museum lawn from 7–9 p.m. on Friday nights through Aug. 5!

#### **DOWNTOWN SIOUX CITY**

downtownsiouxcity.com • 712-252-0014 Resource for downtown shopping, dining, and living + events.

#### **FARMERS MARKET**

farmersmarketsiouxcity.com • 712-251-2616 Runs 8 a.m.–1 p.m., Wednesdays and Saturdays through Oct. 29.

#### **FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS**

On Facebook @siouxcityfoodtrucks 712-266-6452 • Runs 11 a.m.–1:30 p.m. through Aug. 26 in Pearl Street Park.



#### **GOLF COURSES**

**Dakota Dunes Country Club** 

dakotadunescountryclub.com • 605-232-3000
Floyd Park Golf Course
greenvalleyfloyd.com • 712-274-1059
Green Valley Golf Club
greenvalleyfloyd.com • 712-252-2025
Sioux City Country Club
sccountryclub.com • 712-277-3821
Sun Valley Golf Course
sunvalleysiouxcity.com • 712-258-9770
Whispering Creek Golf Club

#### HARD ROCK HOTEL & CASINO

hardrockcasinosiouxcity.com • 712-226-7600 Growing list of concerts & events.

#### **IBP ICE CENTER**

siouxcityparksandrec.com • 712-279-4880 Public ice skating on Fridays & Saturdays from 7–9 p.m.

#### LAUNCHPAD CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

launchpadmuseum.com • 712-224-2542 Open 7 days a week + STEM-based learning.

### LEWIS & CLARK INTERPRETIVE CENTER & BETTY STRONG ENCOUNTER CENTER

Exciting exhibits + special events.

#### LONG LINES CLIMBING

climblonglines.com • 712-224-5124 Open daily 9 a.m.–9 p.m. • 5,900 sq. ft. of climbable walls + more!

#### **ORPHEUM THEATRE**

orpheumlive.com • 712-279-4850 Sioux City Symphony Orchestra info + Broadway at the Orpheum + new live events!

#### SIOUX CITY ART CENTER

siouxcityartcenter.org • 712-279-6272 Free exhibits open + classes for all ages + ArtSplash on Sept. 3-4.

#### SIOUX CITY EXPLORERS BASEBALL

Xsbaseball.com • 712-277-WINS (9467)
Regular season games at home through Sept. 5.

#### SIOUX CITY PARKS & REC

siouxcityparksandrec.com • 712.279.6126 Visit the Facebook page for details on pools, splash pads, trails, movie nights + more!

#### SIOUX CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY

siouxcitylibrary.org • 712-255-2933 Summer reading programs + special events & activities for all ages!

#### SIOUX CITY PUBLIC MUSEUM

siouxcitymuseum.org • 712-279-6174
Special exhibits + summer programming.

#### SIOUX CITY RAILROAD MUSEUM

siouxcityrailroadmuseum.org • 712-233-6996 Train rides + walking tours.

#### TYSON EVENTS CENTER

tysoncenter.com • 712-279-4850

Musketeers hockey and Bandits indoor football
+ ongoing concerts and events.









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### **CHECK OUT THE LIBRARY!**

The Sioux City Public Library is here for you this summer! Along with thousands of amazing books and free resources, check out activities and events: weekly story times, family movie Fridays, visiting entertainers, writing clubs, LEGO fun, and more!

The library's popular summer reading program (for kids, teens, AND adults) runs through July 30. Children and teen programming includes many free events, challenges, and activities, while adults can earn badges for amazing summer prizes by reading, listening to audiobooks, and visiting the library in person.

"Sioux City Public Library is a free resource for books, audiobooks, music, and movies throughout the year—but especially during the summer," reminds Adrienne Dunn, youth services manager. "Individuals and families can access special events and programs to help keep brains growing and learning while also having fun."



Sioux City Public Library is using the free Beanstack app for all summer reading programs.

- Download the Beanstack app.
- Find your library: Sioux City Public Library (IA).
- Click "Sign Up" to form an account.
- Enter your username, email, and password.
- Make profiles for yourself and each member of your family.
- Track reading and activities to win prizes!

# JUST FOR FOODIES

It takes only a quick look at the number and kinds of restaurants in town to realize Sioux City is quickly becoming a town for foodies.

"Truly, there is something for everyone here," shares Councilmember Alex Watters. "On a budget? There are amazing happy hours. If you're looking for more traditional fare, you can find great burgers, steaks, or Sioux City staples like pizza, fried chicken, hot dogs, and loose meat sandwiches. And if you want to impress, we have upscale options where the food and the atmosphere are second to none!"

For ideas and recommendations, check out the "Siouxland Local Eats" Facebook group.

#### **Riverfront Views**

Crave at Hilton Garden Inn Kahills on the River at the Marriott Hotel

#### **City Views**

The Crown Rooftop Bar at the Warrior Hotel Historic Fourth Street 1008 Key Club

Buffalo Álice Marto

#### **Adventurous Tastes**

DaKao
La Juanita's
Pete's Thai
Hdmona Bar and Restaurant



### **SUMMER TUBING FUN**

Cone Park has a unique new feature: summer tubing!

"This added attraction isn't offered many places in the country, let alone in the Midwest," shares John Byrnes, recreation superintendent. The park also features a splash pad, firepit, walking trail, and climate-controlled lodge with concessions.

Consider these tips for this new family-friendly attraction:

- Expect to get a little mist, but definitely not enough to get soaked!
- Remember riders must be 42 in. tall.
- Use one tube per rider; lap riders are not allowed.
- Try "training" down the hill together with a few other tubes.
- Wear comfortable clothes like t-shirts & shorts; closed-toe shoes are required.
- Pay \$10/person per session or \$7/person on Thursdays and Sundays from 6–8:30 p.m.
- Reserve online at coneparksiouxcity.com or call 712-279-6126.

Thursdays 6–8:30 p.m. Fridays 6–8:30 p.m.

8:45–11:15 p.m.\*

Saturdays 12:30–3 p.m. 3:15–5:45 p.m.

6-8:30 p.m. 8:45-11:15 p.m.\*

Sundays 12:30–3 p.m.

3:15–5:45 p.m. 6–8:30 p.m.

\*glow tubing





### **COMMUNITY POLICING**

The Sioux City Police Department is increasingly involved in community policing, which—in its simplest terms—creates a partnership between residents and law enforcement.

"Being involved with the community and participating in events is a priority for the SCPD because it's an invaluable tool for creating and maintaining relationships with our citizens," states Police Chief Rex Mueller.

After in-person gatherings were cut short in 2020 by the pandemic, last year the SCPD worked hard to reconnect with citizens in more than 300 ways. Officers and staff attended and hosted community meetings and forums, held social events, connected with youth, conducted presentations, and engaged in other outreach efforts.

"We love getting out there and having fun with people," adds Mueller.

"Being at these events gives people access to officers, both to learn about what we do and also how we can help address any problems in their local neighborhoods."

Looking ahead, the SCPD wants to rekindle old friendships and build new ones with Sioux City residents through a host of community engagement events, bike rides and rodeos, neighborhood park pop-up parties, and more—including National Night Out at eight locations on August 2.

### **GRANDVIEW PARK IMPROVEMENTS**

Grandview Park's band shell and park grounds are getting a facelift, all thanks to a water reservoir replacement.

#### Here's the backstory on the water reservoirs:

Two reservoirs were constructed in Grandview Park in the early 1900s. The tanks, strategically located on one of the area's highest hills, provide clean water to a large section of Sioux City. The south tank was taken out of operation in the mid-1990s due to cracking concrete, and the north tank was expected to have similar issues over time.

"We decided to replace the reservoir now before cracking and sprawling concrete became an issue," explains Utilities Director Brad Puetz. "If that tank was out of service, it could create pressure deficiencies or jeopardize our water supply during a major fire."

Construction of the new larger single tank is nearly complete. Demolition of the north tank should be finished later this year, while site prep and landscaping is expected to finish in Spring 2023.

#### Here's how they relate to park renovations:

The old four-million-gallon water reservoirs were included on the National Register of Historic Places. In order to demolish the historic site, the City of Sioux City had the option to enhance another historically significant site.

The Grandview Band Shell is also listed on the National Register of Historic Places, so it only made sense to allocate those funds in Grandview Park.

The result? Major updates are underway, including band shell painting, window replacement, fountain concrete repairs, bathroom upgrades, and improvements in lighting, WIFI, and security. There will also be a new overlay on all Grandview Park roads.





### FIRE STATION UPGRADE

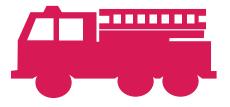
Sioux City Fire Rescue is making needed improvements to Fire Station 8.

Located at 3829 West 19th Street, Station 8 was constructed in 1984 to primarily serve the community's west side and Riverside areas. To serve an ever-diversifying workforce, SCFR will enhance locker and restroom facilities, add sleeping areas, and improve space for physical fitness and training.

Consistently staffed by at least three personnel, Station 8 houses Engine 8, Medic 8, and Engine 80. Its elite crew members are hazardous materials (HAZMAT) technicians serving not only Sioux City Fire Rescue, but also units in 13 surrounding counties.

One of seven fire stations in Sioux City, Station 8 covers over nine square miles of territory, performs over 350 yearly commercial fire inspections, and responds to almost 1,000 incidents annually.

"With this updated facility, SCFR will be even better prepared to serve our citizens in the best possible way," states Councilmember Julie Schoenherr.



### HANDS-ON TEACHING TOOL

To help educate individuals and businesses about fire safety, Sioux City Fire Rescue has a valuable new tool: a training trailer! Funded through a Missouri River Historic Development grant, the trailer is a training kit complete with a live-fire prop for extinguishers, CPR mannequins, AED trainers, tables, chairs, tents, printed materials, and audio-visual equipment.

"This new trailer will be a great help with our Community Risk Reduction—or CRR—efforts," says Fire Marshal Mark Aesoph. "SCFR provides free fire and emergency training for any business or organization in Sioux City. We hope groups will access these classes and help us make Sioux City an even safer place to work and live!"

Sessions cover all kinds of topics and can be easily scheduled by contacting the CRR Division at fireprevention@sioux-city.org or 712-279-6377.





#### **SCFR TRAINING TOPICS**

- Automated external defibrillator (AED) use
- Basic first aid
- Hands-only CPR
- Emergency plan preparation
- Fire drills
- Use of hands-on fire extinguisher
- Workplace fire safety





### **ART CENTER ANNIVERSARY**

The Sioux City Art Center is marking 25 years in its current building with a blockbuster architectural exhibit: Towers of Tomorrow with LEGO® Bricks runs through Aug. 7.

Featuring 20 of the world's most incredible skyscrapers constructed in breathtaking detail with more than half a million LEGO® bricks, the exhibit was created by Ryan McNaught, one of only 19 LEGO® certified professionals in the world. Visitors can also create their own towers of tomorrow with 200,000+ LEGO® bricks.

This exhibition is on loan from Sydney Living Museums in Australia and is made possible locally through extraordinary support from local benefactors.

Along with traveling exhibits, the Sioux City Art Center boasts a permanent collection with more than 1,000 artworks representing a variety of artists, mediums, and genres. The move to its current location has allowed the facility to showcase a greater portion of its pieces.

Once again this year, the Art Center will use its buildings and grounds to host ArtSplash, its annual outdoor festival, on Sept. 3–4.

"There are so many things that make ArtSplash a great experience for people of all ages and backgrounds: artists from throughout the region, live performances throughout the day, arts and crafts activities, food vendors, face painting, wacky balloons, and more, "shares Todd Behrens, Art Center director. "We also love hosting the event downtown, as it's a great way to showcase the opportunities all around us."

# REINVIGORATING THE RIVERFRONT

The wait is almost over!

"Ever since the Argosy Casino left its port nearly a decade ago, we knew we wanted something to take its place that not only showcased the Missouri River to visitors, but was also inviting to residents of our community," says Mayor Pro Tem Dan Moore. "Serving as an extension to Chris Larsen Park, the new riverfront space does all that and more!"

Planners envisioned a visually impactful, fully accessible space to host events of all sizes and provide countless amenities:

- Basketball courts
- Event lawns
- Interactive water features
- Outdoor yoga lawn
- Playground equipment
- Scenic overlooks
- Shelters

- Dog parks
- Exercise equipment
- Native plantings
- Picnic spaces
- Restrooms
- Seating throughout the park
- Trail access

For pedestrians and cyclists, access points include Floyd Boulevard, Virginia Street, Pierce Street, Wesley Parkway/ Veterans Bridge Crossing, or east from the Expo Center using the Riverfront Trail connection or the Cunningham/Transit Trail. Vehicles enter the park from Interstate 29's Floyd Boulevard and Hamilton Boulevard exits, with parking at each location.

Angel Wallace, parks & recreation manager, shares: "We've really seen the community coming together to give their time and resources to make this project happen." She credits support from councilmembers, the planning and fundraising committees, individuals, nonprofits, and businesses of all sizes.

The park should be complete later this year.

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