

ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF CITIZENS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF BOONE.

The city of Boone has made a dedication to its citizens: Provide a greater level of information and education while maintaining financial stability. We hope this newsletter will help our citizens become more aware of city government activity.

Your Government Boone

Why did the City of Boone partner with the Ames Economic Development Commission (AEDC)?

In November/2020 the Mayor/City Council unanimously approved a contract with the AEDC to take the needed next step in our economic development. With a staff of 14 working in different project categories, that organization also provides crucial relationships with both Des Moines and Washington DC in tapping funding for our economic projects.

Just some of what the AEDC has accomplished since January 1st/2021:

Business Development

Facilitated Giggling Coat transaction between owner and City of Boone

Managing 6 business leads for Boone

Successful in our efforts to attract SolarFX to the community of Boone

Updating State's Location One Information System (LOIS) database for Boone sites and buildings for inclusion into AEDC website and marketing materials

Special Projects

Downtown Assessment completed

Conducted a Downtown Business Owner Survey

New Housing Study Economic Impact Report

Grant Opportunities

Summary of Downtown Funding Programs

Suggested & Supporting \$500K CDBG – CV / Downtown Broadband Project

Suggested & Supporting \$1-2M EDA / Central Iowa Expo Tourism Project

Workforce

Launched WorkInBooneIA.com job board

Successful in our efforts to receive State funding to support a workforce "Retraining" effort in partnership with DMACC; encouraged Boone participation and provided wrap around services as needed (Childcare & Transportation) to Boone participants.

Conducted Job Fair in Boone; employers in Boone also invited and encouraged to participate in two other events held in Ames.

Economic Development Communications

- o Newsletters
 - § General Relocation
 - 7 emails sent to 3,900+ contacts
 - § Site Selectors (featuring Boone Industrial Park)
 - 7 newsletters sent to 1,365 contacts
- o Media Releases (completed as needed)
 - § Solar FX Expanding to Boone
 - § Economic Development Week 2021
 - § Daycare funding announcement
 - § Community Job Board Expansion – WorkInBooneIA.com

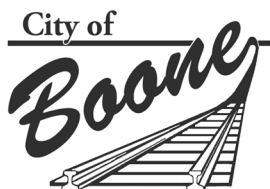
Also partnering with Boone Community School District:

Invited and participated in Governor visit to Boone CSD

Supported Future Ready application for Boone HS Summer Internship program

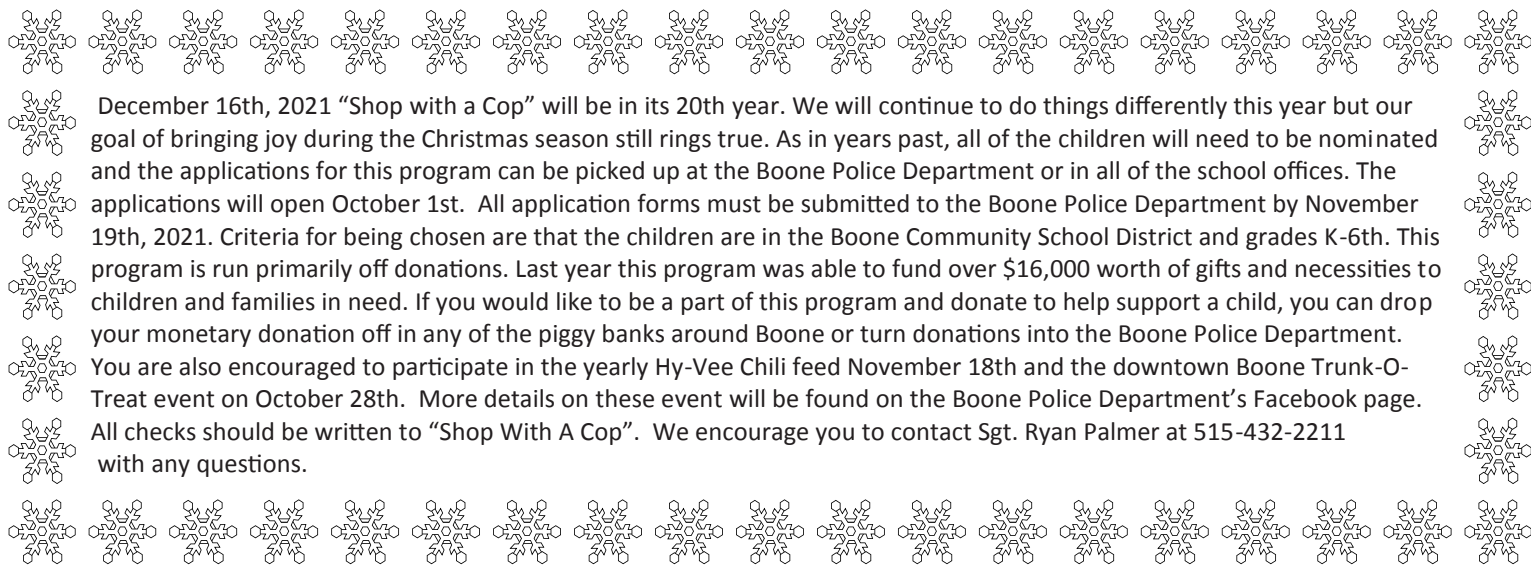
In just the past year this has been accomplished and our partnership will help in several other ways in current planning with housing, Downtown Revitalization, employment and quality of life initiatives to name just a few more. Be sure to reach out to City Staff and Elected Officials if you have questions, we are making Boone better every day with your help and want to keep the momentum going!

VISIT WWW.BOONEGOV.COM FOR MORE INFORMATION



UPCOMING EVENTS

- November 15th OPEN BURNING ENDS in the city of Boone
- November 18th "Shop With A Cop" Chili Feed at Hy-Vee 4 pm to 7 pm
- Santa Express November 26, 27, 28 & December 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19 www.bsvrr.com
- December 2nd Downtown Holiday Lighted Parade 7 pm
- December 16th "Shop With A Cop"



December 16th, 2021 “Shop with a Cop” will be in its 20th year. We will continue to do things differently this year but our goal of bringing joy during the Christmas season still rings true. As in years past, all of the children will need to be nominated and the applications for this program can be picked up at the Boone Police Department or in all of the school offices. The applications will open October 1st. All application forms must be submitted to the Boone Police Department by November 19th, 2021. Criteria for being chosen are that the children are in the Boone Community School District and grades K-6th. This program is run primarily off donations. Last year this program was able to fund over \$16,000 worth of gifts and necessities to children and families in need. If you would like to be a part of this program and donate to help support a child, you can drop your monetary donation off in any of the piggy banks around Boone or turn donations into the Boone Police Department. You are also encouraged to participate in the yearly Hy-Vee Chili feed November 18th and the downtown Boone Trunk-O-Treat event on October 28th. More details on these event will be found on the Boone Police Department’s Facebook page. All checks should be written to “Shop With A Cop”. We encourage you to contact Sgt. Ryan Palmer at 515-432-2211 with any questions.

Miles of Lights

Help keep our Holiday Decorations lighting our streets each holiday season! Holiday decorations are rated for 10 to 15 year lifespan and think how bare our community would look during the holiday season with no decorations. These decorations are made possible by generous citizens such as you.

Send your tax deductible donation to:

City of Boone PO Box 550, Boone, IA 50036 with “Miles of Lights” in the memo

Pass on a “thank you” to our Public Works Department Staff for maintaining these



Winter Tree Care

To avoid spreading disease and excessive stress, please trim oak trees during the winter months.



Protect the trunk of your trees with tree wraps. Animals and squirrels will eat the bark and damage the tree.

Reminder:



If you need Snow Ordinance Information

Text BOONESNOW to 888777

Residents are encouraged to note a recent change in the side walk snow removal procedures.

The Boone City ordinance requires that property owners remove snow and ice accumulations from sidewalks within 24 hours in commercial districts and 48 hours in residential districts following a snow event. Owners are also required to maintain sidewalks clear of snow and ice.

The City of Boone will publish notice in the newspaper informing residents of these requirements, but no additional notice will be given prior to the City performing work for properties that fail to comply. The City will cause the work to be completed and the charges will be assessed to the property taxes as a special assessment. The penalties for failure to comply with these requirements for the 2020-2021 winter season are (amount to be determined after bidding) for an interior lot, (amount to be determined after bidding) for a corner lot for snow removal, also a fifty dollar (\$50) civil penalty 1st offense and two-hundred dollars (\$200) 2nd offense and subsequent offenses with a five (\$5) dollar administrative fee.

Property owners are encouraged to keep their sidewalks clear of snow and ice accumulation for the safety of the users of our sidewalks. Questions may be directed to Community Service Officer at City Hall at 515-432-4211 x 1104 during normal business hours Monday through Friday from 8 am to 4 pm.

Please help your fire fighters by keeping the fire hydrants clear of snow and debris.

Boone Fire Fighters
Thank you