

Community Foundation awards \$180,000 in grants

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The Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque recently awarded nearly \$180,000 to local nonprofits for energy improvement projects.

The awards were handed out under the foundation's Grants to Green program. The projects "build sustainability by helping these organizations become more efficient through construction/renovation and improving facility operations to be as 'green' as possible," according to a press release.

Grants were awarded to Ecumenical Tower, \$50,000; Hills & Dales' community and child care center, \$34,775; Four Mounds' Grey House, \$31,000; Stonehill Franciscan Services, \$27,100; Luther Manor, \$20,057; and Dubuque Rescue Mission, \$14,483.

Each recipient developed energy improvement plans that identified areas for improvement in their operations such as lighting; heating, ventilation or air-conditioning system upgrades; or insulation for energy savings. Some grant recipients also will use part of their grants to further study additional opportunities for cost and energy savings, the press release states.

For more information on the Dubuque Grants to Green, visit www.dbqfoundation.org/G2G.