Community Fluoridation Award
Program Description

Delta Dental of Iowa Foundation, in collaboration with the Iowa Department of Public Health, has established a Community Fluoridation Award to support continuation or assist in fluoridation of public water supplies in Iowa communities where fluoride is deficient or non-existent. Up to $25,000 may be given annually to Iowa communities demonstrating the greatest need for fluoridation.

Criteria:

- Applicant communities must complete attached application, indicating population served, amount of fluoride deficiency, and commitment to five-year sustainability of fluoridation program.
- Community must demonstrate in the application process a good faith effort to use the award for community water fluoridation and any other requirements from the Iowa DNR regarding your construction permit.
- Priority will be given to communities with the highest level of deficiency and serving the highest number of children.
- Community award winners will be notified by Delta Dental of Iowa Foundation and an outcomes report will be required after one year of the grant period.
- Community award winners will commit to submit at least one split sample per month to any State of Iowa (DNR) Certified Lab during the five-year period of the grant. If a community fails to comply with the grant provisions during the five-year period, Delta Dental of Iowa Foundation may act to reclaim the amount of the grant.

The application questions are attached for review, and all applications are now completed online at [www.deltadentalia.com/foundation/grants/](http://www.deltadentalia.com/foundation/grants/) (select green log in button). Please contact Maren Lenhart with any questions.

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PLEASE NOTE: A public water supply construction permit must be obtained from the Iowa DNR prior to the construction or modification of any source, treatment, storage, or distribution system of a public water supply system. To obtain a construction permit, the following must be submitted to the Iowa DNR Water Supply Engineering Section: the project's plans and specifications, the applicable construction permit application schedules, and the appropriate permit fee. The public water supply construction permit must be obtained prior to application; however the cost of the permit can be included in the proposed budget. The necessary forms are available at [http://www.iowadnr.gov/InsideDNR/RegulatoryWater/WaterSupplyEngineering/ConstructionPermits.aspx](http://www.iowadnr.gov/InsideDNR/RegulatoryWater/WaterSupplyEngineering/ConstructionPermits.aspx)
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Name of Community:

Contact Information:

Population served by local water system (total #, % children):

Briefly describe current water system (sources, treatment process, facilities, etc.):

Describe why fluoridation award is needed in your community:

Briefly describe community’s five-year commitment to fluoridation (address sustainability):

Required attachments:
1.) Letter of support from Mayor, City Council or other local government representative.
2.) Most recent water sample analysis.
3.) Approved DNR Permit
4.) Project budget