



# AKC IMPACT IN IOWA

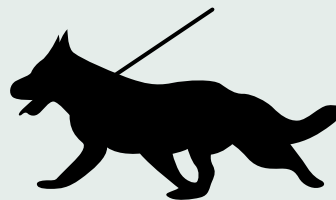
The American Kennel Club (AKC) is a not-for-profit organization established in 1884 to promote the study, breeding, exhibiting, and advancement of purebred dogs. Together with our clubs and affiliates, AKC works to advance the health and wellbeing of all dogs, protect the rights of dog owners, and promote responsible dog ownership. We represent more than 5,000 dog clubs nationally, including **62 clubs in the state of Iowa**.

The AKC sanctions over 22,000 dog events each year, which generate significant economic benefits to local communities in addition to the millions of dollars AKC dog owners in Iowa spend annually on their dogs.

## AKC DOG EVENTS IN IA (2022)

**426** EVENTS

**42,000** PARTICIPANTS



**\$2.15 million**  
ECONOMIC BENEFIT OF  
DOG SHOW WEEKEND

Surveys demonstrate that exhibitors at AKC conformation dog shows spend an average of **\$982 per show weekend**. This means spending by AKC dog show exhibitors for a show weekend could **inject more than \$2.15 million into the local economy**. And because AKC dog shows are an educational and family-friendly event, large spectator gates can generate additional revenues for cities and towns statewide.

## AKC REUNITE ADOPT A K-9 COP GRANTS

AKC Reunite® and AKC Clubs work together to fund the purchase of law enforcement K-9s for police departments around the United States.

### IOWA POLICE AGENCIES THAT RECEIVED GRANTS

WINNESHIEK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
DECORAH POLICE DEPARTMENT  
MAPLETON POLICE DEPARTMENT  
JOHNSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT



LYONS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
IDA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
INDIANOLA POLICE DEPARTMENT  
FAYETTE POLICE DEPARTMENT

## SUPPORTING CANINE HEALTH RESEARCH

The AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF) has invested over **\$1.15M in canine health research** at Iowa institutions state-wide through the support of **29 projects, research grants, and educational studies** to benefit dogs at **Iowa State University and the University of Iowa**. This research has spanned topics related to general canine health, blood disorders, cardiology, dermatology and allergic disease, gastrointestinal disease, kidney and urological disease, musculoskeletal conditions and disease, neurology, oncology, ophthalmology, reproductive conditions and disease, tick-borne diseases and immunology and infectious disease. There are currently 2 active grants which comprise of projects about understanding the value of circulating cortisol in canine congestive heart failure and how probiotics could work to mitigate or prevent chronic gastrointestinal diseases in dogs. CHF prioritizes a One Health and comparative medicine research approach to diagnose and treat health conditions that affect both ends of the leash while advancing canine health for all dogs.



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