

Disaster Recovery Continues Throughout Iowa

For Iowans not affected by the floods and tornadoes of 2008, life goes on. However, for communities still struggling to recover, life has not returned to normal.

This week, Governor Chet Culver announced that almost \$17.5 million in federal funds have been awarded to ten communities hit by the 2008 floods. This money will be used to improve or replace damaged infrastructure to make the communities safer, including water system improvements to eliminate the threat of contamination; and sanitary and storm system improvements to protect residences from flooding and sewer back-ups.

The cities receiving these awards are:

- Elkader - \$1,174,800
- Marshalltown - \$2,500,000
- Anamosa - \$3,069,000
- Palo - \$6,645,781
- Brandon - \$574,450
- Fonda - \$150,000
- Spillville - \$325,379
- Centerville - \$605,120
- Elgin - \$876,950
- Parkersburg - \$1,520,371

In addition to the \$17.5 million in federal Community Development Block Grant money, another \$4.7 million in matching or local funds will be used for the projects.