

MCSA HOME Grant Housing Application Iowa Finance Authority Grant (ARPA)

To apply for Muscatine Center for Social Action (MCSA) HOME Grant Housing, please complete this packet. Eligible households will meet both of the following requirements: Be 1) be a 1st time homebuyer as defined by 24 CFR 91.2, 2) under the income thresholds in the table below. The information you provide in this packet is for the purpose of determining your eligibility for this grant and will not be shared with anyone other than grant staff.

For assistance in completing this application, please contact:

Community Foundation of Greater Muscatine
Address: 215 W. Mississippi Drive, Muscatine IA 52761
Email: info@givinggreater.org
Phone: 563-264-3863

To request a Spanish application, please call 563-264-3863.

Completed applications may be emailed, mailed, or dropped off at the Community Foundation of Greater Muscatine.

2026 Household Income Thresholds for 80% Area Median Income, used to determine eligibility for this grant (set by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development):

# Persons in Household	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Household Income	\$52,750	\$60,250	\$67,800	\$75,300	\$81,350	\$87,350	\$93,400	\$99,400

Part 1 – Contact Information

Name of Head of Household: _____

Name of Applicant (if different than Head of Household): _____

Home Address: _____

Telephone Number 1: _____
☐ Home ☐ Cell ☐ Work

Telephone Number 2: _____
☐ Home ☐ Cell ☐ Work

E-mail Address: _____

Preferred Contact Method: _____

Part 2 – Household Information

1. Do you own your home? Yes / No (Circle one)
2. Please complete the table below for all members of your household.

Household Members Table Key

Relationship to Head of Household: S=Spouse, A=Adult, C=Child, O=Other

(Optional) Race: 1=White, 2=Black/African American, 3=American Indian/Alaska Native, 4=Asian, 5=Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, 6=Other (use multiple as applicable for two races or more)

(Optional) Ethnicity: 1=Hispanic/Latino, 2=Not Hispanic/Latino

(Optional) Disabled: Y=Yes, N=No

Household Members Table

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Part 3 – Household Income and Assets

Income Information (for all members of the household)

Does any member of your household:

1. ☐ Yes ☐ No Work full-time, part-time or seasonally?
2. ☐ Yes ☐ No Expect to work for any period during the next 12 months?
3. ☐ Yes ☐ No Work for someone who pays them cash?
4. ☐ Yes ☐ No Currently or expect to receive unemployment benefits in the next 12 months?
5. ☐ Yes ☐ No Currently or expect to receive workers' compensation in the next 12 months?
6. ☐ Yes ☐ No Currently or expect to receive student financial aid of any kind in the next 12 months?
7. ☐ Yes ☐ No Currently or expect to receive veteran's benefits in the next 12 months?
8. ☐ Yes ☐ No Currently or expect to receive military pay in the next 12 months?
9. ☐ Yes ☐ No Currently or expect to receive income from self-employment in the next 12 months?
10. ☐ Yes ☐ No Currently or expect to receive child support in the next 12 months?
11. ☐ Yes ☐ No Currently or expect to receive alimony in the next 12 months?
12. ☐ Yes ☐ No Currently or expect to receive Family Investment Program Benefits (FIP) from the Department of Human Services (do not include food stamps)?
13. ☐ Yes ☐ No Currently or expect to receive Social Security or disability benefits in the next 12 months?
14. ☐ Yes ☐ No Currently or expect to receive income from a pension or annuity in the next 12 months?
15. ☐ Yes ☐ No Currently or expect to receive regular contributions from anyone not living in the housing unit in the next 12 months?
16. ☐ Yes ☐ No Receive income from assets including interest or dividends on checking, savings accounts, Certificates of Deposit, bonds or stocks?
17. ☐ Yes ☐ No Own real estate other than your home? List address(es):

18. ☐ Yes ☐ No Receive income from rental property? List address(es):

For any questions marked "Yes", please fill in the table for each household member with that income type:

Household Member	a. Wages/ Salaries	b. Benefits/ Pensions	c. Public Assistance	d. Other Income	e. Asset Income
Totals	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

Total of All Columns (Annual Income): \$ _____

Asset Information (for all members of the household)

Does any member of your household have:

1. ☐ Yes ☐ No A bank account?
2. ☐ Yes ☐ No A checking account?
3. ☐ Yes ☐ No A savings account?
4. ☐ Yes ☐ No Cash value in a revocable trust?
5. ☐ Yes ☐ No Cash value in stock, bonds, or treasury bills?
6. ☐ Yes ☐ No Cash value in Certificates of Deposit and/or Money Market Accounts?
7. ☐ Yes ☐ No Equity in rental property, farmland, or other capital investment?
8. ☐ Yes ☐ No Value in an Individual Retirement Plan or Keogh Account?
9. ☐ Yes ☐ No Retirement and/or Pension Fund?
10. ☐ Yes ☐ No Insurance Settlement?
11. ☐ Yes ☐ No Mortgages, deeds, or trusts?

For any questions marked "Yes", please fill in the table:

Household Member	Asset Type	Current Balance

Total: \$ _____

Part 4 – Additional Documentation and Next Steps

Additional Documentation

Please include copies of the following documentation:

Copies can be made for free at the Community Foundation office or at the Musser Public Library.

- ☐ Driver's License or Non-Operator ID – Homeowner/head of household only
(Why is this needed? To establish the property as your principal place of residence.)
- ☐ IRS Form 1040 / tax return from the most recent year
(Why is this needed? To show your household income. If you didn't file taxes, 2 months of current paycheck stubs for every income-earning adult in the household can be submitted instead.)
- ☐ Most recent bank statements for all bank accounts in the household
(Why is this needed? To show your name and the amount in each account. This contributes to income calculation. You may black out account numbers if you would like.)

Next Steps

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After we receive your application, MCSA staff or its appointed representative(s) will determine your household's eligibility based on the income thresholds listed on Page 1 and determine that you qualify as a first-time homebuyer. If we need additional documentation to determine your income, we will call you at the phone number you provided on Page 1. Once the eligibility review is complete, you will receive a letter confirming your eligibility for the grant.

Part 5 – Certifications and Signature

I certify by signing below that the information provided in this document is complete, true, and accurate.

I certify that information for each household member is provided, including all income and asset information.

I understand that the above information is being collected to determine eligibility under an Iowa Finance Authority Home Grant-funded project.

I authorize the Muscatine Center for Social Action or its appointed representative to verify all information provided on this application and to contact current sources for credit and certification information which may be released to appropriate Federal, State, or local agencies.

I understand that additional information may be required to determine program eligibility. (continued on next page)

I understand that if, in the next 12 months, any of the above information changes, I must notify the Muscatine Center for Social Action and provide updated information.

I understand that if the Muscatine Center for Social Action or its appointed representative determines my household income is above 80% of the median household income and I am not a 1st time homebuyer, I am ineligible to receive assistance under the ARPA program.

I understand that providing false statements or information is punishable under State and/or Federal law.

Applicant Name (print)

Applicant Signature

Date

Property Address

Email completed application and all documents to rmonahan@givinggreater.org or drop off at the Community Foundation of Greater Muscatine at 215 West Second Street, Muscatine, Iowa 52761.