

Conservation *update*

HOWARD SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
FY 2025 REPORT ON ANNUAL USE OF DISTRICT FUNDS
July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

TECHNICAL ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

IM Allocation	\$ 3,000.00
Payroll- Silver Creek 319 Project	\$ 100,336.42
Travel/Training- Silver Creek 319 Project	\$ 3,047.62
Info/Ed- Silver Creek 319 Project	\$ 263.00
Supplies- Silver Creek 319 Project	\$ 475.36
Payroll- Turkey River WQI Project	\$ 77,295.24
Travel/Training- Turkey River WQI Project	\$ 759.45
Info/Ed- Turkey River WQI Project	\$ 1,091.41
Supplies- Turkey River WQI Project	\$ 440.67
Payroll- District Technician	\$ 17,784.40
Payroll- NACD TA	\$ 13,274.31
Water Sample Testing donation	\$ 3,000.00
Bank Interest	\$ 1,297.40
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 222,065.28

EXPENSES

Transfer to Revolving Fund: IM Allocation	\$ 3,000.00
Payroll- Silver Creek 319 Project	\$ 59,316.67
Travel/Training- Silver Creek 319 Project	\$ 3,047.62
Info/Ed- Silver Creek 319 Project	\$ 263.00
Supplies- Silver Creek 319 Project	\$ 515.07
Payroll- Turkey River WQI Project	\$ 47,797.26
Travel/Training- Turkey River WQI Project	\$ 1,162.79
Info/Ed- Turkey River WQI Project	\$ 1,091.41
Supplies- Turkey River WQI Project	\$ 440.67
Pheasants Forever Farm Bill Biologist	\$ 1,000.00
Payroll- NACD TA	\$ 1,357.14
Water Sample Testing	\$ 1,224.00
Misc. Expenses- return unused NACD funds	\$ 15,914.36
Payroll taxes/IPERS contributions	\$ 75,459.37
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 211,589.36
Beginning balance July 1, 2024	\$ 125,419.40
Receipts	\$ 222,065.28
Total Receipts	\$ 347,484.68
Less Total Expenses	\$ 211,589.36
Balance June 30, 2025	\$ 135,895.32

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REVOLVING ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Booster Club Donations	\$ 16,030.00
Transfer From Tech Acct: IM Allocation	\$ 3,000.00
Misc. Income	\$ 150.00
Bank Interest	\$ 474.95
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 19,654.95

EXPENSES

Commissioner Expenses	\$ 4,571.58
Donations	\$ 1,850.00
Outreach and Education	\$ 1,122.75
Scholarships	\$ 2,500.00
Subscriptions	\$ 103.00
Awards	\$ 132.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 10,279.33
Beginning balance July 1, 2024	\$ 61,614.89
Receipts	\$ 19,654.95
Total Receipts	\$ 81,269.84
Less Total Expenses	\$ 10,279.33
Balance June 30, 2025	\$ 70,990.51

Iowa Financial Incentive Program FY25

- Completed projects: \$413,901 cost share
- Grassed Waterways: 11.3 acres
- Windbreaks: 1
- Tree/Shrub Establishment: 3.4 acres
- Septic System Installation-Upgrade: 2
- Soil Quality Restorations: 16,400 square feet
- Cover Crops planted fall 2025: 14,478 acres

CRP Practices

- Filter Strips: 17 contracts = 179.35 ac
- Waterways: 143 contracts = 189.72 ac
- Riparian Tree Buffers: 26 contracts = 112.67 ac
- Pollinator/Upland Habitat: 210 contracts = 1,689.72 ac
- STRIPS program: 34 contracts = 76.82 ac
- Totals: 430 contracts = 2,248.28 ac

Silver Creek Watershed Project Area

- Project Coordinator: Neil Shaffer
- \$11.2 million in conservation practices with 196 cooperators
- Streambank Stabilization installed: 7,266 feet since 2012
- 60% of cropland in watershed area seeded to 8,993 ac cover crops
- 13.5% of the watershed seeded to native CRP: 2,983 ac
- Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP): 2,423 ac
- Grassed Waterways completed since 2012: 34.8 miles
- Septic System upgrades with IA DNR319 funding: 27 since 2012
- Urban Infiltration practices completed as Soil Health Restoration: 303,987 square ft since 2012
- Ag Waste Systems constructed since 2012: 12

Turkey River Watershed Project Area

- Project Coordinator: Riley Wilson
- \$7.5 million obligated & implemented conservation
- 26% of cropland in watershed seeded to nearly 13,000 ac cover crops
- Shallow Wetland creations: 14
- Streambank Stabilization constructed: 7,500 ft
- Beginning the process on 8 new WQI Wetland sites
- Beginning the process on 14 new Edge of Field sites

There are financial assistance programs available for your conservation practices with varying cost share rates. For more information: visit our office, call (563) 547-3040 ext. 3, or go to www.nrcs.usda.gov



Booster Club Members FY 2025

SUPPORTERS \$25-\$49	SAVERS \$50-\$99	SUSTAINERS \$100-\$149	STEWARDS \$150-\$UP
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Total donated: **\$16,030.00**

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2025 Scholarships Awarded

The Howard Soil & Water Conservation District awards scholarships to students who pursue a college education in conservation or agriculture and demonstrate leadership and scholastic achievement. Two \$500 High School Senior scholarships were awarded to Riceville graduate Lyndon Dohlman- son of Jackson & Wendy Dohlman, and Crestwood graduate Olivia Johnson- daughter of Allen & Tanya Johnson. Three \$500 Current College Student scholarships were awarded to Kelsey Burke- daughter of Kenny & Christine Burke, Kaleb Adams- son of Mike & Melissa Adams, and Tristan Pullman- son of Brody & Jessica Pullman. Congratulations to these deserving students! *Scholarship application forms are online at www.cdiowa.org (for H.S. Seniors) or www.howardswcd.org (for Current College Students).*



Lyndon Dohlman



Olivia Johnson



Kelsey Burke



Kaleb Adams



Tristan Pullman

2025 Coloring Contest Winners

The annual Coloring Contest was held for children in PreK-6th grade. These students were awarded a HSWCD drawstring backpack filled with art supplies and conservation swag. *This year's entry form can be found online at: www.howardswcd.org and is due by May 1st*



Michael Haskovec
PreK - K



Ryleigh Pickar
1st - 2nd grade



Jonesy Miller
3rd - 4th grade



Isabel Shindelar
5th - 6th grade



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Outreach and Education

- Distributed Arbor Day "Trees for Kids" to 85 third graders
- Assisted with four "Inspire Day" events at the Norman Borlaug Farm for over 600 elementary students from IA and MN
- Led two tours of Lake Hendricks and other conservation practices for the NICC Environmental Studies classes
- Assisted with Howard County Conservation's Outdoor Classroom for 4th graders
- Co-hosted Four-County Soil Health Event for approx. 120 participants

For more information, or to volunteer, please contact the HSWCD office at (563) 547-3040 ext. 3

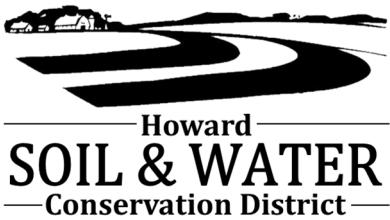


Your locally elected Commissioners provide program guidance to solve natural resource concerns within the District. Public meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

Commissioners
L-R: Chad Curtis, Jared Gragert, Kayla Sebastian, Brian Hrdlicka, Bart Wilson (Assistant Commissioner), Chas Malek

Field Office Staff L-R: Soil Conservationist Brandon Shatek, Watershed Project Coordinator Neil Shaffer, Conservation Engineering Technician Shereen Ries, Watershed Project Coordinator Riley Wilson, Conservation Assistant Shannon Hurd, District Conservationist Kathy Moen





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Our mission is to provide leadership and education for protecting, enhancing, and utilizing the soil and water of Howard County, Iowa.

The Howard Soil & Water Conservation District is an Equal Opportunity Provider and Employer.

Watch your mailboxes for the *Howard Soil & Water Conservation District Annual Report* in the *Times Plain Dealer & TPD Extra*coming soon!

Thank You for Supporting Conservation

The Howard SWCD has been generously supported by its members since 1969. The Commissioners wish to thank all of the individuals and businesses who have generously donated over the years, and would greatly appreciate your ongoing support. You will receive a receipt for your donation. Along with standard operating costs, the following are made possible with your support:

- Arbor Day Trees for Kids
- Natural Resources Day Outdoor Classroom
- Scholarships for Howard County High School seniors and current College students who pursue a degree in Conservation or Agriculture
- Awards for Outstanding Conservation Farmers & Coloring Contest winners
- Fair Booth
- Field Days

Howard Soil & Water Conservation District Booster Club Membership 2026

Name: _____
(as you would like it to appear in our report)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____ payable to "Howard SWCD"

***Please mail before June 15th. Thank you!



Levels of Support:

Supporter: \$25 - \$49

Saver: \$50 - \$99

Sustainer: \$100 - \$149

Steward: \$150 - UP

Thank You!