

# THE HORMEL FOUNDATION

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## Hormel Foundation Announces Contributions Exceeding \$3.7 Million

AUSTIN, Minn. (Dec. 3, 2007)--The Hormel Foundation recently approved contributions for 2008. The Foundation's contributions, in total, exceed \$3.7 million for the coming year. Over the last 40 years, contributions have increased from \$253,233 in 1968 to \$3,773,068 in 2008.

The University of Minnesota's Hormel Institute is the principal recipient of The Hormel Foundation's contributions, as established in 1942 by an agreement between the board of regents of the University of Minnesota and The Hormel Foundation. Funds received by The Hormel Institute are used to conduct research and education in the biological sciences. Institute research projects currently relate to heart disease, cancer, diabetes and obesity. The Institute derives most of its operating budget through grants and contracts from the National Institutes of Health and other agencies.

In addition to The Hormel Institute, grants were approved for the benefit of the following Mower County organizations:

- American Red Cross – Mower County Chapter
- ARC Mower County
- Austin SPAMTOWN Freedom Festival
- Austin Community Scholarship Committee
- Austin Fire Department
- Austin Medical Center
- Austin Public Education Foundation, Inc.
- Cedar Valley Services, Inc.
- City of Austin
- Community Technologies and Services
- Girl Scout Council of River Trails, Inc.
- Habitat for Humanity
- Hormel Historic Home
- Jay C. Hormel Nature Center
- Mediation Center
- Mower Council for the Handicapped, Inc.
- Mower County Mentoring Program
- Mower County Seniors
- Parenting Resource Center
- Salvation Army
- Twin Valley Boy Scout Council
- United Way of Mower County, Inc.
- Welcome Center
- YMCA of Austin

The income from the gift of the Estate of the late Edna Denbow Schrafel is used partially to fund the grant to the Austin Public Education Foundation.

The Hormel Foundation also serves as trustee for the Geo. A. Hormel Testamentary Trust. The 2008 contribution budget for the Testamentary Trust is in the amount of \$118,500. The following Mower County organizations will benefit from the Testamentary Trust:

- Apple Lane Child Care Center
- Austin All Stars Youth Baseball
- Austin Area Catholic Schools
- Austin Area Foundation
- Austin Convention and Visitors Bureau
- Austin Symphony Orchestra
- Austin Youth Baseball
- Austin Youth Basketball
- Austin Youth Football
- Austin Youth Hockey
- Girl Scout Council of River Trails, Inc.
- Hormel Historic Home, Inc.
- KSMQ Public Television
- Math Masters of Minnesota
- Mower County Historical Society
- Mower County Humane Society
- Riverside Figure Skating Club

Mower County area organizations wishing to benefit from contributions of The Hormel Foundation in 2009 should submit an application before the application deadline of Sept. 1, 2008. Applications can be obtained by contacting The Hormel Foundation or by visiting our Website at [www.thehormelfoundation.com](http://www.thehormelfoundation.com).

**About The Hormel Foundation**

The Hormel Foundation, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, was established in 1941 by Hormel Foods Corporation founder George A. Hormel and his son, Jay C. Hormel. Contributions from The Hormel Foundation directly benefit Mower County, Minn. The Hormel Foundation was reorganized in 1980 as a supporting organization under I.R.C. Section 509(a)(3). As a supporting organization, it is organized and operated for the benefit of those charitable or educational organizations represented on its board.

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