

INTERNSHIP SEASON IS ALMOST HERE!

Back for 2026 ... The Iowa Newspaper Foundation is offering a program designed to enhance internship opportunities for INA member newspapers.

Eight Iowa newspapers will receive matching funds from the INF to host a paid intern in 2026.

Participating newspapers will be chosen through an application process reviewed by an INF member committee. Host newspapers will have the opportunity to interview and select their own intern, and INF will provide matching funds of \$1,000 to each of the eight selected newspapers.

Selected newspapers will offer an internship that provides a well-rounded experience in the newspaper industry and will be asked to submit a follow-up report to the INF summarizing the student's responsibilities and takeaways during the internship.

Through the program interns will...

- Work a minimum of 240 internship hours throughout the year
- Receive a minimum pay of \$8 per hour
- Have the opportunity to experience the newspaper industry first-hand

**Funds can be used for one intern or multiple interns*

If you are interested in hosting an intern through the INF's Internship Matching Funds Program for 2026, complete the enclosed application.

Questions? Contact Jana Shepherd, Program Director at 515-422-9051 or jshepherd@inanews.com.

