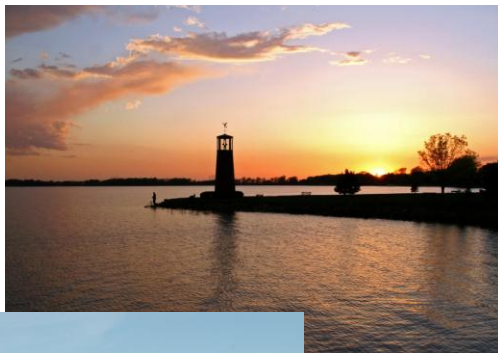
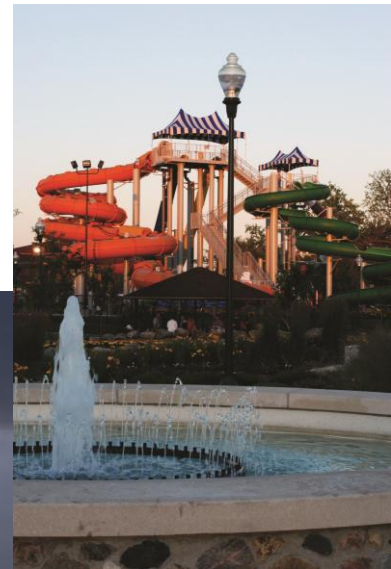


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Dear Future Storm Lake Resident,

We've all moved. We've all carried boxes of books and dishes, lugged sofas off trucks, carried beds up stairs and lost a few items along the way. Honestly, we have all vowed to never move again! When you relocate to Storm Lake, that last part may just be true.

It is time to welcome you to Storm Lake! A vibrant community on the shores of a beautiful, 3200-acre lake, it's an amazing place to visit and an even better place to live. Storm Lake offers an impressive quality of life, perfect for families, students, young professionals and retirees alike.

Storm Lake boasts a progressive educational system. Public and parochial schools – both K-12 – build the foundation for the city's success. Storm Lake is also home to Iowa Central Community College, a two-year community college, and Buena Vista University, one of the Midwest's top colleges offering both graduate and undergraduate degrees.

Buena Vista Regional Medial Center is a newly remodeled, state-of-the-art hospital providing both primary and urgent care alongside a surgery center and a number of specialty clinics.

The energetic downtown is home to a tremendous variety of locally owned retail stores that complement several national chains. In addition to shopping, visitors and residents indulge in some of the best food around at our local restaurants.

We are a diverse community - both in population and opportunity. Cultures from around the world are not only represented, but celebrated, and, if needed, translation services are available.

The city offers incredible economic opportunity. Unemployment is considerably lower than national averages, due, in no small part, to our educated, motivated workforce and a thriving business and industrial sector. Home prices are affordable and the real estate listings contain properties for all budgets.

Whether you've made the decision or are still contemplating a move, Storm Lake United is here to help during this stressful time. We have assembled this comprehensive relocation packet to smooth the transition to your new hometown. Maps, city and county information as well as utility, real estate, educational, health service and church contact information are contained in this relocation guide.

The Storm Lake United staff and I are here to help in any way we can. Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions that you may have. We're here to welcome you... we're here to show you how life should feel!

Sincerely,

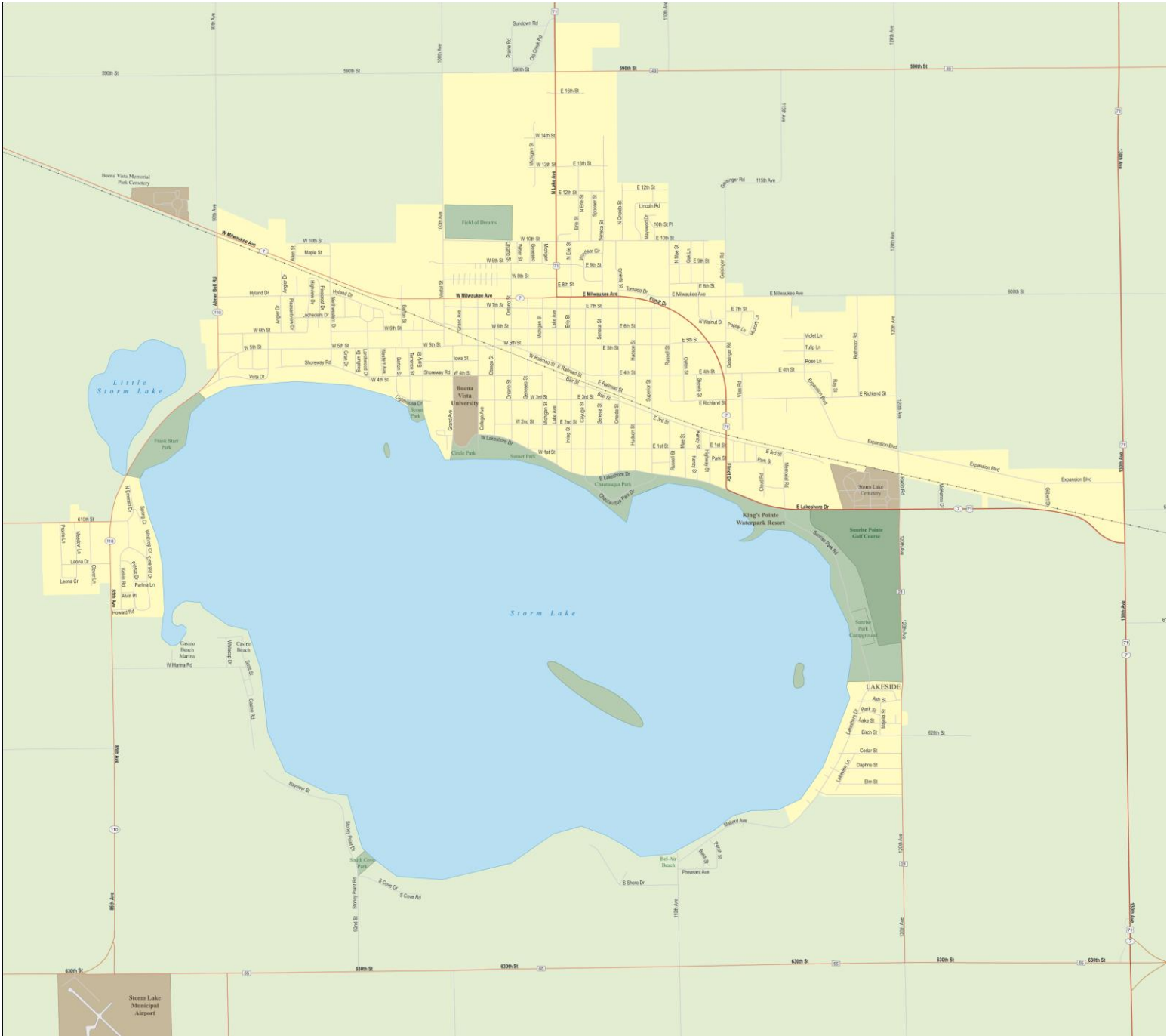


Gary Lalone

Storm Lake United Executive Director

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# City Map of Storm Lake



## **City Services and Hook Ups**

### **Water Hook Up**

Storm Lake City Hall  
Corner of 6<sup>th</sup> & Erie  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.8020

### **Garbage**

Sunshine Services  
1120 E 5<sup>th</sup> St  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.4242

### **Garbage Hauling Service**

P.O. Box 755  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.6742

### **Recycling**

Harold Rowley Recycling Center  
1247 630<sup>th</sup> St  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.7171

### **[Genesis Development](#)**

1607 North Lake Ave  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.5038

**Dog and Cat Licenses** can be purchased at the Police Department (\$10 for spayed/neutered: \$20 for not spayed/neutered). Dogs and cats shall not run at large: \$5 fee for any picked up.

**The Building Department** is located on the 1st floor of City Hall. Building Permits are required for projects involving shingling, siding, decks, signs, fences, electrical or plumbing, and for any structural change to buildings. Electrical and plumbing work must be done by a licensed contractor. For more information, call 732-8002.

**The Storm Lake Fire Department** consists of a full time Chief, full-time firefighter and 28 volunteers. The Fire Station is located at 820 Oneida Street. For non-emergencies, call 732-8024.

**The Storm Lake Police Department** coordinates a city wide Neighborhood Watch Program that organizes and encourages neighbors to take ownership of their streets and community. Please contact the Police Department at 732-8010 to get more information on this very important crime prevention endeavor. The office is located at 401 East Milwaukee.

The Community Service Division has been developed to assist in dealing with issues that arise from Storm Lake's rich ethnic diversity. The Police Department employs two Community Service Officers that are bi-lingual and who assist in language translation, cultural differences and bridging the gaps that exist in society today.

**Snow Ordinance:** By proclamation of the Mayor (usually Nov. 1- Apr. 1) no parking will be allowed on the streets between 12:00-6:00 a.m. in all areas except the downtown business district where parking is prohibited between 2 & 6 a.m. Said snow emergency ban to continue until terminated by proclamation of the Mayor.

**City Administration:** The City of Storm Lake welcomes you to our great community. City Council meets on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 5:00pm in the Council Chamber located in City Hall. The council meetings are broadcast live on Cable TV Channel 3.

## **Utility Providers**

### **Gas**

[Alliant Energy](#)

P.O. Box AJ  
Spirit Lake, IA 51360  
Phone: (800) 822.4348

### **Electric**

[MidAmerican Energy](#)

1018 N Vestal St  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (888) 427.5632

### **Cable Television, Phone & Internet**

[Knology](#)

118 E 5<sup>th</sup> St  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 213.7425

Northwest Iowa Satellite

1235 N Lake Ave  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 202.2393

## **Real Estate Firms**

### **Century 21 – The Professional Group**

813 Flindt Drive  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.2143

### **Colburn & Elk: Insurance & Real Estate**

718 Lake Ave  
PO Box 1066  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.3358  
Toll Free: (800) 677.4531

### **Real Estate Specialists**

731 Lake Ave  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.7594

### **Real Estate Professionals of Storm Lake**

106 W Railroad St  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 213.7653

### **Weaver Realtors**

607 Lake Ave  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 213.4663  
Toll Free: (888) 808.1721

## **Apartment Listings**

### **Holly Heights**

1800 E. Milwaukee  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732-9179

(low income housing, handicapped apartments available)

### **Lake Pointe Villa**

408 Barton St.  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.9338

### **Lakeview Manor**

904 E. Milwaukee  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732-1126

(low income housing, senior and handicapped housing)

### **Maplewood E. Apartments**

524 Oates Street  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732-2236  
(rent based on income)

### **McCord Manor**

210 E. 13<sup>th</sup>  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732-1425

(senior housing 62+ or handicapped)

### **North Park Apartments**

1727 580<sup>th</sup> St.  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732-3198  
(rent based on income)

### **Paradise Park**

607 W. 9th St.

Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732-2200  
(low income housing)

### **Apartments Continued**

#### **Seneca Place Apartments**

1405 Seneca St.  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732-1969

#### **Peterson Apartments**

1114 Lake Ave  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732-5651  
(HUD apartments available)

#### **Robert Guntren**

115 W. 5<sup>th</sup> St.  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.3632

#### **Wilshire Arms**

West 5th St  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732-3284

## **Storm Lake Schools**

### **Storm Lake Community Public Schools**

Administration Building - 419 Lake Avenue ~ 732-8060

High School - 621 Tornado Drive ~ 732-8065

Alternative High School – 306 Cayuga ~ 749-5180

Middle School - 1811 Hyland Drive ~ 732-8080

Elementary School – 1810 Hyland Drive ~ 732-8111

Community Education - 419 Lake Avenue ~ 732-5711

### **Parochial**

[St. Mary's Private School](#) - 304 Seneca ~ 732-4166

### **Secondary**

[Faust Institute of Cosmetology](#): 1290 Lake ~ 732-6570

[Iowa Central Community College](#): 916 Russell ~ 732-2991

[Buena Vista University](#): 610 W 4th Street ~ 749-2400

### **Day Care Information**

Child Care Resource & Referral Center ~ 800-859-2025

BV County Department of Human Services ~ 749-2536

## **Churches**

### **All Saints Episcopal Church**

1221 W Marina Road  
Phone: (712) 732.1314

### **Buddhist Temple**

6018 Rothmore  
Phone: (712) 732.8265

### **Church of Christ**

225 East 6th Street  
Phone: (712) 732.1750

### **Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints**

712 Hwy 110  
Phone: (712) 732.4527

### **First Baptist Church of Storm Lake**

105 E 3rd Street  
Phone: (712) 732.2822

### **Faith Bible Christian Outreach Center**

1601 West Milwaukee Avenue  
Phone: (712) 732.7760

### **Faith United Assembly of God Church**

1501 W. Milwaukee Avenue  
Phone: (712) 732.2226

### **Grace Lutheran Church– MO Synod**

1407 West 5th Street  
Phone: (712) 732.5005

### **Hope Evangelical Free Church**

2015 West Milwaukee Avenue  
Phone: (712) 732.2887

### **Iglesia De Dios Pentecostal Mi**

521 Michigan Street

Phone: (712) 213.1205

**Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness**

525 Geisinger Road

Phone: (712) 732.2928

**Lakeside Presbyterian Church**

110 East 3rd Street

Phone: (712) 732.2076

**Storm Lake Area Unitarian-Universalists**

**Southeast Asian Community Christian Church**

815 East 5th Street

Phone: (712) 732.7361

**St. John Lutheran Church– MO Synod**

402 Lake Avenue

Phone: (712) 732.2400

**St. Mark Lutheran Church– ELCA**

1614 West 5th Street

Phone: (712) 732.5255

**St. Mary's Catholic Church**

320 Seneca Street

Phone: (712) 732.3110

**United Methodist Church**

211 East 3rd Street

Phone: (712) 732.1921

**Zion Lutheran Church**

1725 555 Street

Phone: (712) 732.5223

**Western Iowa Synod Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**

318 E 5<sup>th</sup> St

Phone: (712) 732.4968

## **Organizations**

There are several service organizations in the Storm Lake area. We have not listed them all here, but if you would like a complete list, please contact Storm Lake United.

## **Recreation**

It's time to dip your toe in and soak up all of the fun Storm Lake has to offer. It's time for the vacation you deserve.

Whether you're a boater or a swimmer, a shopper, a gourmet, a biker...or if you just want to sit back and relax on the beach, you'll find it all in Storm Lake. Quickly becoming one of the Midwest's premiere destinations for not only leisure travel, but conventions, meetings, special events and family-friendly getaways, Storm Lake provides activities and amenities one would not expect to see in a smaller city.

Home to a thriving arts community, unique shops, fine cuisine and one of the Midwest's top universities, visitors can easily fill every moment of the day. Whether it's for a few thrilling waterslide rides with the kids at the area's top waterpark or a quiet dinner for two at a lakeside table, Storm Lake is attracting visitors from all points of the compass.

It's time to see for yourself... it's time to see how life should feel.

Check out the tourism page for all of the recreation opportunities in Storm Lake!

## **Merchant Coupons**

**[Click here](#) to go to the Hot Deals Website with tons of great offers!**

## **Newspapers**

### **[Storm Lake Times](#)**

220 West Railroad St  
P.O. Box 487  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.4991  
Toll Free: (800) 723.4992

### **[Storm Lake Pilot Tribune](#)**

527 Cayuga St  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.3130

## **Storm Lake United**

Storm Lake is a testament to the good life.

There's something special about Storm Lake...something that's just not seen everywhere else. It's a small city with big sophistication. It's friendly people, an inviting community, a center for business and a favorite of travelers. It's a year-round destination with a fascinating history and a promising future.

Perched on the banks of a 3200-acre lake, Storm Lake is one of Iowa's richest, most diverse communities. It has positioned itself not only as one of Iowa's premier vacation spots, but a city where business booms. Small businesses and multinational corporations thrive in this Northwest Iowa city.

Storm Lake United is your connection to the city. Building on the collective dedication of its members, partners and the community's residents, Storm Lake United is committed to the continued success of Storm Lake and the surrounding area.

Storm Lake is an ideal mix of business and pleasure. If you're here for a visit or contemplating a move, doing a bit of shopping or looking to develop a new business or industry, make sure to stop and take in a colorful, captivating sunset by the lake. Experience the warmth of the people, feel the energy of the community and watch the beauty of the city unfold.

Storm Lake United is a leadership organization focused on enhancing the quality of life in the Storm Lake area. Storm Lake United will achieve results by implementing creative strategies to promote business growth and tourism.

Storm Lake United is the Chamber, Tourism and Area Development office in Storm Lake. You will see all three different facets displayed in our website, [VisitStormLake.com](http://VisitStormLake.com). If you would need any help in your relocation to Storm Lake, please do not hesitate to contact our office at (712) 732.3780!

## **Buena Vista County**

### **BV County Courthouse**

5<sup>th</sup> & Erie

Storm Lake, IA 50588

Phone: (712) 732.2542

**Drivers License** - may be obtained at the BV County Courthouse. Open daily 8:20am to 4:00pm; testing daily 8:30am to 3:15pm. Newcomers from out of state must have an Iowa Driver's license and vehicle registration plates 30 days after residency is established. For more information, call 749-2571.

### **BV County Assessor**

P.O. Box 148

Storm Lake, IA 50588

Phone: (712) 732.2543

### **BV County Auditor**

P.O. Box 220

Storm Lake, IA 50588

Phone: (712) 732.2542

### **BV County Recorder / Registrar**

P.O. Box 454

Storm Lake, IA 50588

Phone: (712) 749.2539

### **BV County Treasurer (Tax Department)**

### **BV County Treasurer (Motor Vehicle Department)**

P.O. Box 149

Storm Lake, IA 50588

Phone: (712) 749.2533

### **Veterans Service Office**

1709 E. Richland St

Storm Lake, IA 50588

Phone: (712) 749.2562

Toll Free: (866) 844.8150

## **Post Office**

### **Storm Lake United States Postal Service**

509 Cayuga  
Phone: (712) 732.1329

## **Job Openings**

### **Iowa Workforce Development Center**

842 Flindt Drive #106  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.1576

## **Storm Lake Public Transportation**

### **Rides - Regional Transit Authority**

Phone: (800) 358.5037

Storm Lake Cab Company  
611 W 5<sup>th</sup> St  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.4420

## **Safety Information**

Emergency Phone Number: 911

### **Storm Lake Police Department**

401 E Milwaukee Ave  
Storm Lake, IA 50588-1866  
Phone: (712) 732.2525

### **Storm Lake Fire Department**

401 E Milwaukee Ave  
Storm Lake, IA 50588-1866  
Phone: (712) 732.8010

### **Buena Vista Sherriff's Office**

411 Expansion Boulevard  
Storm Lake, IA 50588-3512  
Phone (Non-Emergency): (712) 749.2530

### **Buena Vista Regional Medical Center (Hospital)**

1525 W 5<sup>th</sup> St  
Phone: (712) 732.4030

## **Healthcare Providers**

### **Buena Vista Regional Medical Center (Hospital)**

1525 W 5<sup>th</sup> St  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.4030

Meylor Chiropractic  
1411 E Lakeshore Drive  
P.O. Box 344  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.7280

Tri-State Nursing  
205 Flindt Drive  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 213.3500

### **Trimark Buena Vista Clinic**

620 Northwestern Drive ~ P.O. Box 742  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.5030

### **Trimark Family Health Center**

2015 W 5<sup>th</sup> St  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.6650

### **United Community Health Center**

715 W Milwaukee Ave  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 213.0109

## **Major Employers**

[Tyson](#) – 1900 Employees

[Sara Lee](#) – 720 Employees

[BVRMC](#) – 400 Employees

[Storm Lake Community School District](#) – 365 Employees

[Buena Vista University](#) – 325 Employees

[Wal-Mart](#) – 300 Employees

[Rembrandt Enterprises](#) – 250 Employees

[Meridian Manufacturing](#) – 180 Employees

[Faith Hope & Charity](#) – 150 Employees

[Hy-Vee](#) – 130 Employees

[Methodist Manor](#) – 125 Employees

[Buena Vista County](#) – 130 Employees

[King's Pointe WaterPark Resort](#) – 120 Employees

[City of Storm Lake](#) – 120 Employees

[Fareway Stores](#) – 95 Employees

[Ranco](#) – 72 Employees

[MarketLink](#) – 70 Employees

[St. Mary's School](#) - 60 Employees

## **Financial Institutions & Credit Unions**

### **Central Bank**

600 Lake Ave ~ P.O. Box 578  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.2190

### **Citizens Community Credit Union**

609 Flindt Dr  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.5400

### **Citizens First National Bank**

529 Lake Ave ~ P.O. Box 1227  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.5440

### **Farm Credit Services of America**

1705 N Lake Ave  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.5250

### **Heritage Bank**

210 E 5th St  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.1700

### **MetaBank**

121 East 5th St ~ P.O. Box 1307  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.4117

### **Northwest Bank**

730 Lake Ave  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.1070

### **Security Trust & Savings Bank**

601 Lake Ave ~ P.O. Box 429  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.3022

### **United Bank of Iowa**

1270 Lake Ave  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.1620

## **Insurance Agents**

### **American Family Insurance**

808 Michigan St  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.3578

### **Buena Vista Mutual Insurance Association**

1711 N Lake Ave ~ PO Box 862  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.6595

### **Cherry Corner Insurance Agency**

315 East 5th Street  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.2056

### **Colburn & Elk: Insurance & Real Estate**

718 Lake Ave  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.3358  
Toll Free: (800) 677.4531

### **Heartland Insurance**

711 Lake Avenue  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.6691

### **Mike Sharar/Blue Cross Blue Shield**

517 Erie St ~ P.O. Box 1403  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.5129

### **Northwestern Mutual Financial Network**

525 Cayuga Street  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.4967

### **State Farm Insurance**

610 Geneseo St  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.5057

### **Stille, Pierce & Pertzborn**

*Insurance Services*  
112 E 5th St ~ PO Box 459  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.3747

## **Contractors**

### **[Lundell Construction Co.](#)**

1420 E Richland St  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.4059

### **[Taylor Contracting](#)**

307 Flindt Drive  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.1619

## **Concrete Work**

### Northwest Concrete Products

6134 Hwy 71  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.1885

### Smith Concrete Services, Inc

P.O. Box 372  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.4131

## **Electrician**

Stanton Electric  
402 E 4<sup>th</sup> St  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.4145

## **Heating & Cooling**

### Whelan & Bentley Heating & Cooling

1205 Lake Ave  
Storm Lake, IA 50588  
Phone: (712) 732.4403

## **2011 Community Calendar**

### **Extreme Winter Festival**

February 5th & 6th, 2011

Scout Park (BVU)

### **Fishing Tournaments in the Spring**

### **Municipal Band Concerts (Band Shell – Sunset Park)**

June 5<sup>th</sup> through July 10<sup>th</sup>

Sundays at 2:00pm

### **Marathon to Marathon**

Saturday, June 11, 2011

Marathon from Storm Lake to Marathon

### **The Star Spangled Spectacular**

July 3-4, 2011

Various locations around Storm Lake

### **Buena Vista County Fair**

July 22-25, 2011

### **Ridiculous Days**

July 21-24, 2011

Storm Lake Business District

### **BV County Races (BV Raceway, Alta)**

Wednesday Nights (Summer)

### **Storm Lake Farmers Market**

Saturdays 8:00am-12:00pm (June 18-Oct 15)

Thursdays 4:00-6:00pm (July 7-Sept 15)

BV County Courthouse Square

### **2011 Taste of Storm Lake**

Thursdays in the summer (June-September 15<sup>th</sup>)

Chautauqua Park Shelter House

### **Labor Day Weekend Celebration**

September 4, 2011

### **Storm Lake "Jump Right In & Run"**

#### **5k, ½ Marathon & Relay**

September 4, 2011

**Thanks with Franks/Fall Festival**

Thursday, September 15, 2011

**[BVU Homecoming](#)**

September 23-24<sup>th</sup>, 2011

**Chills & Thrills Trick or Treat**

October 29, 2011

**Holiday Open House**

November 6, 2011

**Miracle on Lake**

December 5, 2011

## **State Links**

Iowa Government - [www.iowa.gov](http://www.iowa.gov)

Iowa Tourism - [www.traveliowa.com](http://www.traveliowa.com)

Western Iowa Tourism Region - [www.visitwesterniowa.com](http://www.visitwesterniowa.com)