

Muscatine County Decategorization (Decat)  
Quarterly Proposal Process  
July 1<sup>st</sup>, Oct 1<sup>st</sup>, January 1<sup>st</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup>

**Mission:** To partner health, education and welfare resources for the betterment of children and their families.

**Goal and Purpose:** Muscatine County Decategorization is a community based project that utilizes Department of Human Services and Juvenile Court Services funding to create and support services that will deter children and youth from entering these systems. Decategorization values community input and looks at patterns, trends and gaps in services. The Quarterly Proposal Process allows an opportunity for community members to raise awareness and propose a solution for current community needs. A proposal submission does not guarantee funds and your proposal may lead to a community Request for Proposal (RFP) depending on the scope of services and specific population.

**Evaluation:** Proposals are evaluated by the Muscatine County Decategorization Coordinator and the Muscatine County Decategorization Board, who may seek additional information from applicants or members of the community knowledgeable of the subject area. The Muscatine County Decategorization Board makes final decisions on all proposals. **Muscatine County Decat is not granting body for funds.** Muscatine County Decat enters into contractual agreements with agencies on a fiscal year basis. Contract funds are only guaranteed for the specific contract period. However, all community input is crucial to determine the services needs to grow and support healthy children and youth in Muscatine County.

**Time Line:** This is a quarterly proposal process. Proposals are due:  
June 30<sup>th</sup>  
September 30<sup>th</sup>  
December 31<sup>st</sup>  
March 31<sup>st</sup>

**Instructions:** Please answer the following questions within a two page document:

1. Define the community need for this service.
2. What specific population will this project serve?
3. What other agency are you collaborating on this request?
4. Within your agency, please list service provider(s) partners.
5. Within your agency, please list funding partners.
6. Please define the outcomes to the service.
7. Is this proposal for one time funding or on-going funding?
8. Please submit your budget for this proposal.

Please submit the two page document to:  
Scott County Kids  
Attn: Nicole Mann, Decategorization Coordinator  
600 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Davenport, IA 52801

Thank you for your interest in Muscatine County Decategorization (Decat) funding.