



2023 Travel Federation of Iowa (TFI)
27th Annual Legislative Showcase

Tuesday, January 31, 2023
Elwell Family Foods Center
Iowa State Fairgrounds, Des Moines
Exhibitor Registration Form

Organization: _____
 Contact Person: _____ Email: _____
 Phone: _____ Mailing Address: _____
 City/State/Zip: _____

SCHEDULE:

12:30 pm — Legislative Seminar/Luncheon. Updates from industry leaders, legislators and others to assist you in preparing for the evening showcase. Seminar will be held at **The Latin King**, 2200 Hubbell Avenue, Des Moines. *Cost for the legislative seminar is \$30 per person (lunch included) and register below.*

2:30 PM — Building Opens for Set-up. *Please be set-up & ready by 4:30 pm as some legislators arrive early.*

5:00 to 7:30 PM — Legislative Showcase. Tear down begins at 7:30 PM and we ask that you do not take down early because some legislators do not arrive until later in the evening.

REGISTRATION FEES & PAYMENT:

- **Early Registration fee is \$100** \$100 **Received by January 17, 2023**
- **Regular Registration increases to \$200 after January 17** \$200 **Received after Jan. 17, 2023**
- **Legislative Seminar/Luncheon - \$30/person** \$ ____ = \$30 x ____ person(s)

\$ ____ **Total Amount Due**

1. **Choose the size of area you need.** The showcase will feature an open area (no pipe & drape). Bring your display, pull-up banner(s) or other items to highlight your area, business, etc.
 _____ 8 foot wide
 _____ 10 foot wide
 _____ Other (example – race car), specify how many feet are needed _____
2. There will be 8-foot banquet tables available for your materials, food, beverages, etc.
 _____ Yes - we want an 8-foot table **and understand table covering/skirting is not provided**
 _____ No – we do not want a table or will bring our own table
3. Do you need electricity? **Must provide your own extension cord.**
 _____ Yes _____ No
4. List special requests below (example - if you want to be placed next to or near another group).

Send registration form and payment to:
 Travel Federation of Iowa | PO Box 454 | Webster City, IA 50595
Make checks payable to: Travel Federation of Iowa
 Credit cards accepted by calling 515.832.4808 or
Register online at <https://form.jotform.com/223394723788166>
 Questions: call or email Ann Vogelbacher at 515.832.4808 or ann@iowatourism.com



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Leading Iowa's tourism industry advocacy efforts since 1996, the Travel Federation of Iowa (TFI) has hosted this important legislative event for over 27 years. The legislative showcase allows you to be a part of our unified industry message to share how travel & tourism is important to your area and to Iowa.

Why Attend:

- Opportunity to be a part of a unified message with other industry members from across the state.
- Showcase your attraction, business, community, area, etc.
- Introduce legislators to existing or new projects planned for your area.
- Inform/educate legislators that tourism is a revenue generator for the entire state - **\$1 billion** in state & local tax revenues in 2021.
- Introduce yourself to legislators from around the state.
- Network with your peers on issues that affect the travel industry.

Food & Beverages:

- Providing food or beverages is optional but encouraged to showcase Iowa and our hospitality to legislators.
- If you have local foods or beverages, this is a fantastic way to highlight unique offerings from across our state including Iowa foods, local specialties, wines, beer, spirits, etc.
- Or think about how you might tie-in with the tourism assets in your area like "trail mix" if you have bike trails; apples, cider, or apple crisp if you have an orchard; Dutch letters, Kringla, etc. to play off local heritage, festivals, etc.

Special Items/Activities:

- Consider bringing an item that showcases your area, event, business, etc. Example – hot air balloon basket from the National Balloon Classic – a great photo opportunity for legislators!
- Do you have a locally themed bag game you want to set-up, or other ideas for unique ways to inform legislators about the gems across Iowa.
- **Let us know by January 17** if you want to bring larger sized items so we can accommodate logistics for you to load-in/load-out large sized items and allow sufficient space for special activities.

Theme - Tell Your Tourism Story

- Consider using this year's theme ***Tell Your Tourism Story*** by sharing past or present projects, funding programs you utilize (CAT, Enhance Iowa, Destination Iowa, Meet in Iowa, Iowa Tourism Grants, Regional Sports Authority Districts, etc.) and why these are important to you, and highlight the importance of travel & tourism to your area and to the state of Iowa.

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Travel Federation of Iowa reserves the right to refuse participation in the showcase. Information/materials that contain what is considered to be false, illegal or libelous information or material that gratuitously offends members of the general public area not allowed.