# **GRINNELL, IOWA**

## **ZONE ASSETS**

- A total of \$155 million worth of investment is committed to improving the area in and around the central business district (\$18 million in public infrastructure projects, \$7.5 million rehab of former school into a boutique hotel/event center, \$30 million mixed-use area at the confluence of Grinnell's historic downtown and Grinnell College's campus, \$110 million for Grinnell College campus improvements).
- Since its 2016 \$3.5 million upgrade, Central Park has been embraced by the community and visitors alike. Usage of the park has increased 700% since its reopening and reinvigorated the area creating a community epicenter.
- Grinnell's Opportunity Zone is an expansive area that includes Grinnell's central business district, agricultural area and residential opportunities for investors.

## ZONE OPPORTUNITIES

- Redevelopment of historic buildings which have recently received facade improvements could include office, retail, restaurant, mixed-use and multi-family units. Grinnell's Beyer Building provides an opportunity for mixed-use development utilizing state/federal historic tax credits, workforce housing tax credits, grants and additional investment.
- Partner with City of Grinnell, Grinnell College and others on two mixeduse developments in the area between downtown Grinnell and Grinnell College's campus.
- Redevelopment opportunity on the eastern edge of the central business district and Central Park which could include destination-based businesses, mixed-use and multi-family units.



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Census Tract #: 19157370400 Land Area (Square Miles): 6.1 Zip Code: 50112

Zone Typology: Residential, Mixed-Use, Agricultural

| JOBS  |       |          | RESIDENTS |       |          |
|-------|-------|----------|-----------|-------|----------|
| 2010  | 2015  | % CHANGE | 2010      | 2018  | % CHANGE |
| 4,547 | 4,590 | +1%      | 4,122     | 3,993 | -3.1%    |

#### **Top 3 Industries:**

- 1. Professional Services
- 2. Retail
- 3. Restaurant/Hospitality/Food Service

**Median Household Income:** \$43,791

Median Age: 43.2

Vacant Residential Properties: Number: 306 Percentage: 14.2%

Local Incentives: Tax Increment Financing, Tax Abatement

New Market Tax Credits: Yes – Qualified Severely Distressed Zone

USDA Programs: Available, project-specific

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