

# **System Membership Information**



***“Serving the  
needs of Iowa’s  
Water and  
Wastewater  
Industries  
Today and into  
the Future”***



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## What is IRWA?

Water and wastewater utility personnel face multifaceted technical, managerial and financial issues in the course of their work. The Iowa Rural Water Association exists to help those in need of training, technical assistance as well as legislative and regulatory representation. This passion of service has made IRWA Iowa's leading membership organization for public water and wastewater systems. Today our membership includes over 600 community and regional water supplies and wastewater systems serving customers throughout the state. In addition, we have over 150 Associate members that partner with IRWA to provide the industry with great resources.

## Why is an IRWA membership a benefit for me?

### SOLUTIONS

Our members look to us for solutions, great or small.

### LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

IRWA is your voice before the Iowa legislature, Iowa's Congressional delegation and the agencies that regulate water and wastewater systems in our state.

### THE WATER STREET JOURNAL

A publication that is printed three times a year with up-to-date information on water and wastewater related issues, training and membership.

### IRWA TRAINING FACILITY & LIBRARY

Our facility is located in Newton, Iowa. The training facility offers seating for up to 75 people complete with AV equipment. Our library is stocked with various educational books for water, wastewater and source water education. Call for a listing of our publications, study guides and videos.

### TECHNICAL TRAINING

Operators, clerks and decision makers can take advantage of IRWA's training. Several events are scheduled throughout the year across the state.





### **ANNUAL TECHNICAL CONFERENCE**

An annual event held each February. This conference is the largest water and wastewater conference in the state of Iowa. It is “The Industry Event”.

### **FALL EXTRAVAGANZA**

We offer two events for fall: one at Arrowwood Resort, Okoboji and one at the Grand River Center, Dubuque.

### **TECHNICAL & TESTING EQUIPMENT**

Call for availability and a complete listing of our equipment available for loan.

### **WATER & WASTEWATER RATE STUDIES**

Call for details on these studies.

### **SOURCEWATER PROTECTION**

Program development assistance at no charge to your system.

### **IRWA WEB SITE**

[www.iowaruralwater.org](http://www.iowaruralwater.org) - for up-to-date training and current IRWA information. Register for any of our events on-line!

### **ON-SITE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**

IRWA has staff available to assist community and rural water systems at no charge with leak locating, line tracing and various other problems. Nearly 2,000 on site visits per year.

### **MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY**

Our membership directory includes contact information for your industry professionals, senators and representatives, key state agencies, and Iowa communities.

### **AVESIS VISION PLAN**

We offer a vision plan benefit to any member employee at a special group rate.

### **EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH**

Each year we partner with small communities to promote “Water Week” in April. In addition, IRWA assists each spring at the Children’s Water Festival in Ankeny, Iowa. We have several educational hand-outs for elementary and high school students to promote environmental awareness and to highlight careers in the water and wastewater industry.

### **FLEET VEHICLE PURCHASE PROGRAM**

IRWA offers these programs to members so that they may take advantage of great discounts on Ford and Dodge vehicles.

### **SERVLINE**

The IRWA ServLine Program is a program that protects your utility against losses due to residential customers’ water leaks, and provides the opportunity to add service line repair and replacement coverage.

### **RURAL WATER IMPACT**

Municipal Impact and Rural Water Impact provide beautiful, mobile-friendly websites for towns and Water Systems – all at a very affordable price.

### **FREE CCR WEB POSTING**

Save your city or system money! Post your CCR online at [www.iowaccr.org](http://www.iowaccr.org).

### **HEALTHY BENEFITS**

Our Affinity Partner, Healthy Benefits, offers a unique benefits program for utility system members throughout the state of Iowa and in select states nationwide. With Healthy Benefits, you will receive a 7% premium discount because of your membership in the Iowa Rural Water Association!





*"We appreciate all IRWA has to offer  
to help our small community."*

Crystal Lake City Clerk

*"Hiawatha has utilized IRWA for the continuing  
education, for city staff, equipment and technical  
assistance. We plan to utilize IRWA and  
their services for years to come."*

City of Hiawatha Superintendent

*"Without the assistance of the services that your  
association provides, smaller communities would  
ultimately be burdened with high costs of maintaining and  
operating their water and wastewater departments."*

City of Hazleton Public Works Director

*"Thank you for providing a program to cities like ours  
that work on a budget but still experience unforeseen  
issues and circumstances. We look forward to a  
continued relationship working with IRWA."*

City of Palo Mayor

45<sup>TH</sup> IRWA ANNIVERSARY

**RURAL  
WATERCON  
2020**

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**17-19**  
FEBRUARY 2020

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COMMUNITY CHOICE CREDIT UNION CONVENTION CENTER

**HOST HOTEL - HILTON DES MOINES DOWNTOWN - DES MOINES**