

## **Browns Hometown Victory Foundation**

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Dear City Council Members,

My name is Megan Vorwald and I am the Community Coordinator at Victory Ford. One of the main facets of my job is to oversee the *Reading 4 A Reason Program* that is funded through the Brown's Hometown Victory Foundation. The goal of the *Reading 4 A Reason Program* is to encourage children to read every night for enjoyment with the opportunity to earn nine age-appropriate books throughout the school year. During the 2022-2023 school year, we served over 1,600 students at the following schools: St. Francis Xavier, Dyersville Elementary, Aquin Elementary, Earlville Elementary, Delhi Elementary, Johnston Elementary, Central Elkader Elementary, and Clayton Ridge Elementary. We were able to distribute 3,132 books.

I am requesting your approval to hold a "Dinner on the Bridge" event on Wednesday, Sept 13, 2023 on the David Vorwald Memorial Bridge from 6pm-9pm. This event would consist of hors d'oeuvres, beverages, desserts and live music. The goal of the event would be to create more awareness of the *Reading 4 A Reason Program*.

I have attached an aerial photo of the Vorwald Bridge and Westside Park to show you the areas that I am proposing to use. I used icons to indicate where I would like to put things, such as a port-a-potty, area for live music, food tent, and a mobile source of electricity. Some things may change with vendor set-up, but this should give you a good idea of the event layout.

Thank you for your time and please let me know if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

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