



Floyd of Rosedale Sculpture

College football fans across the nation recognize the Floyd of Rosedale trophy as the **Number 1** football rivalry trophy in college football today. Its unique story and robust history chronicles the rivalry between the University of Iowa Hawkeye football team and the University of Minnesota Golden Gophers. The Floyd of Rosedale sculpture project offers our community state-wide and even national exposure for being an integral part of this history.

The Fort Dodge Community Foundation is partnering with the City of Fort Dodge and the Fort Dodge Fine Arts Association to bring this unique project to fruition. For the last two years the Floyd of Rosedale Statue planning committee has been working with the University of Iowa and the University of Minnesota to get the “Okay” to move forward with this project. Iowa artist, Dale Merrill, has been selected to build a replica statue of Floyd of Rosedale. The statue dimensions are impressive: the height is 10 feet; the length is 15 feet; and the depth is 6 feet. The statue will be mounted on a 4 foot high pedestal.

The statue will be located in a new plaza area near the Rosedale Rapids Aquatics Center/Schmoker Family Park, formerly the Rosedale Farm. This location will offer Hawkeye fans, college football supporters and public art enthusiasts the opportunity to get close to the statue for pictures, to enjoy the artistic beauty and to learn about the history of Floyd of Rosedale.

The total project cost is \$210,000. Today, we are pleased to announce that we have reached 88% of our fund-raising goal in cash and pledges. We are now embarking upon phase II of our fundraising effort to raise the additional \$25,000.

The plaza area will be completed by the end of November. The sculpture will be completed by the first of March and will be installed in mid to late March of 2021.

The history of Floyd of Rosedale can be found on the Fort Dodge Community Foundation website: www.fd-foundation.org.

A donor recognition wall is also included in this project. Donations to this project can be made to the Fort Dodge Community/Floyd of Rosedale Fund, and mailed to the Fort Dodge Community Foundation, 24 North 9th Street, Suite B, Fort Dodge, Iowa 50501.

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