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Project Name: College Student Aid Portal

<u>Is this project in support of a program designated as an Iowa Great Place, pursuant to section</u> 303.3c?:

No

Requesting Agency: Iowa College Student Aid Commission

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Goal: To research the need for and initiate web portals for the citizens of lowa.

Project Purpose: The lowa College Student Aid Commission believes there is a need for the citizens of lowa to be able to access and save college financing information that is individualized. In addition, web portals would be helpful to lowa's college and university financial aid officials so that they can more easily and efficiently provide information to lowa students and their parents.

<u>Background:</u> The Commission knows that several of the nation's state scholarship and grant agencies have successfully implemented portals on their web sites and have significantly enriched the methods by which students search for and track college student financing options.

<u>Expected Results in this Project:</u> Implementation of web portals for lowa students and their families and for college and university financial aid officials.

Request: \$20,000 for Scope Analysis

Resources Being Contributed: The Commission will provide staff to assess the project and to provide some assistance in programming of the system.

Interested Parties: College students and their families; college and university officials

Recipients of this Service: College students and their families; college and university officials