



To Whom It May Concern:

For the past 5 years we have held our annual fundraising dinner at the Iowa Events Center. When it is an election year our crowd grows immensely and the event becomes more than just a dinner. This year is no exception and the collaboration between the Iowa Events Center and all involved shows why we keep returning.

Our plated meal served just over 2,000 attendees in conjunction with concessions being available for the additional 6,000 bleacher seated guests. Our event is high-energy with extremely high-profile speakers and working through those hoops can be daunting, but the coordination between our staff and the IEC events and catering staff was excellent. The culinary and concession team by far met our expectations and rolled with the changes as the night progressed. The food was great, staff was polite and always available to help. I would recommend the Iowa Events Center for all aspects of hosting an event!

We look forward to 2016 and another successful year!

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Iowa Events Center
Letters of Recommendation

Annual Dinner for 1500 – 2000 attendees

“Thank you all for the great work of you and your respective teams that made our Annual Dinner a tremendous success!! The feedback has been phenomenal. You all are so responsive and accommodating to our requests and ideas during the pre-planning and event day, but more importantly you anticipate those small (and sometimes large) details that result in a very special experience for our guests and our staff. It is always a great pleasure to work with you and we look forward to next year’s dinner and other events in between.”

-Mary Bontrager, Greater Des Moines Partnership