

50+ THINGS TO DO IN DES MOINES

- 1. Science Center (free with BBBS Match membership card)
- 2. Historical Museum
- 3. Jester Park Hiking trails of all types
- 4. Parks in Des Moines
 - a. Raccoon River
 - b. Ashby Park
 - c. Union Park
 - d. Greenwood Park
 - e. Colby Park
 - f. Sargent Park
- 5. Roller Skating
- 6. Bowling
- 7. Blank Park Zoo (free when you check-out pass from BBBS)
- 8. The Art Center
- 9. The Botanical Gardens (free when you check-out pass from BBBS)
- 10. Gray's Lake
- 11. Snookies Ice Cream Shop in Beaverdale
- 12. Sculpture Park
- 13. Downtown Farmer's Market
- 14. Sledding at Waveland Golf Course
- 15. Civic Center
- 16. Des Moines Playhouse
- 17. Living History Farms (free when you check-out pass from BBBS)
- 18. State Capitol Building
- 19. Mini Golf
- 20. Big Creek State Park
- 21. High Trestle Trail Bridge
- 22. Ice Skating
- 23. Jolly Holiday Lights
- 24. Meals from the Heartland
- 25. Pumpkin Patch or Apple Orchard
- 26. Valley Junction
- 27. Go on a picnic



- 28. Visit the library
- 29. Go swimming
- 30. Iowa Cubs Game
- 31. Fishing
- 32. Go out to eat
- 33. Go for a bike ride
- 34. Go to sample Sunday at Picket Fence Creamery
- 35. Des Moines Menace Soccer Game
- 36. Attend a local festival
 - a. Art Festival (usually held in late June!)
 - b. Iowa's Latino Heritage Festival
 - c. Italian American Heritage Festival
 - d. Festival of Trees and Lights
- 37. Iowa Hall of Pride
- 38. Rent a Kayak
- 39. Rent a Canoe
- 40. Go to a movie
- 41. Reiman Gardens
- 42. Iowa Arboretum
- 43. Volunteer at the Food Bank of Iowa
- 44. Glazed Expressions (no sitting fee for Littles)
- 45. YMCA (free with your BBBS Match membership card)
- 46. Skyzone (buy one get one free jump time)
- 47. Climb Iowa
- 48. Iowa Energy Game
- 49. Iowa Wild Game
- 50. Iowa Barnstormers Game
- 51. Renaissance Fair
- 52. Adventureland
- 53. Ring bells for the Salvation Army
- 54. Visit the castle and covered bridges in Winterset
- 55. The Old School Arcade