



Tips From the Experts

About 1 in 10 people have unclaimed property waiting to be claimed, and it's no different for Iowans. Every year, millions of dollars in unclaimed property are turned over to the Great Iowa Treasure Hunt when businesses are unable to locate the owners. Common examples include forgotten savings or checking accounts, stocks, uncashed checks, utility security deposits and safe deposit box contents. I want to make sure everyone is reunited with their lost money.

I'm encouraging Iowans to search and see if we're holding a treasure for you in the GreatIowaTreasureHunt.gov. Search for unclaimed property by following these tips:

1. Search for any last names you may have gone by (e.g. maiden and married) and if you own or owned a business, search the business name.
2. Expand your search by leaving the City field open.
3. If your name is commonly misspelled, try different spellings of your name.
4. If you have an uncommon last name, search by typing your last name only. You might discover unclaimed property for family members.
5. If any of your immediate family members are deceased, search their names too; you may be an heir and entitled to make a claim.

Do you believe you are owed funds but don't see your name listed? [Contact my office](#) and my staff will be happy to search for you.

Now you have the tools, put them to use! Start your search today at GreatIowaTreasureHunt.gov.