

# **Des Moines Radio Amateurs' Association Ham Radio Field Day Invitation June 27-28, 2020**

The Des Moines Radio Amateurs' Association ([www.dmraa.com](http://www.dmraa.com)) invites the public to visit our 24-hour Field Day operations this year on the fourth weekend in June. This year the event is taking place on the south side of the Fort Des Moines Museum and Education Center, 75 East Army Post Road in Des Moines, 2 miles east of the airport.

**Field Day is Ham Radio's open house: For 24 hours on the fourth weekend in June from 1PM Saturday June 27<sup>th</sup> to 1PM Sunday June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020 more than 40,000 Hams** throughout North America set up temporary transmitting stations in public places to demonstrate Ham Radio's science, skill and service to the public and their communities. Field Day combines Amateur Radio, public service, community outreach, emergency preparedness, and technical skills all in a single event.

**Field Day has been an annual event since 1933, and remains the most popular and highly attended event in Ham Radio.** Field Day's purpose since 1933 is to simulate emergency conditions when normal communication systems are compromised or unavailable. All radio equipment is powered by off-the-grid power sources.

**Students interested in STEM programs, scouting organizations, and any organizations or individuals interested in science, technology or communications are welcome to stop by.** You are invited to observe and learn about Amateur (Ham) Radio through actual hands-on operation. No experience is needed, as FCC-licensed control operators from the Des Moines Radio Amateurs' Association will be present to help and to answer questions.

**Ham Radio operators will be contacting other Amateur Radio stations in the U.S. and around the world for 24 hours from 1PM Saturday to 1PM Sunday June 27-28, 2020.** You are invited to participate in our Field Day event at the Fort Des Moines Museum and Education Center any time during that 24 hour period. The museum itself will be open on Saturday afternoon until 4:00pm. Ample onsite parking and a convenient entrance ramp is available.

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