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**DUBUQUE BUSINESS CHOSEN FOR STATEWIDE SBDC AWARD**

***Shaggy's Indoor Flea Market, Dubuque, chosen for Small Business of the Month Award***

AMES, Iowa – America's SBDC Iowa (SBDC) is pleased to announce that Shaggy's Indoor Flea Market in Dubuque, is the winner of the SBDC's statewide Business of the Month Award.

Lisa Hammel has a clear vision and understanding of the market for used and collectible items for your home. She wanted to develop an innovative approach to creating spaces for individuals to rent display space to sell their items. As a result, Shaggy's Indoor Flea Market was opened in June 2017

Shaggy's Indoor Flea Market has been very successful since it opened last year. The business has expanded already into a larger store. Hammel employs a new technology that allows her to track and record the commissions that are to be paid to the individuals that rent space from. According to Ralph Kluseman, Business Counselor with the Northeast Iowa SBDC, "She has successfully created a retail location for our community to recycle items and create a positive impact on the community."

Shaggy's Indoor Flea Market is a family owned and operated business. The owners of the business love antiques and handcrafted items and wanted to share their passion with others. Their goal is to help people find the "perfect item" for themselves and their homes.

For more information on Shaggy's Indoor Flea Market, please visit [www.shaggysfleamarket.com](http://www.shaggysfleamarket.com).

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