



## **Emerging Leaders' Institute for Training and Excellence (ELITE)**

### **2023 Graduates:**

Dawn Badker, Mid-Sioux Opportunity  
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Robyn Belden, MICA  
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Abra Dougherty, MICA  
Brooke Hammes, Sieda Community Action  
Heather Hinds, Mid-Sioux Opportunity  
Tamara Holmes, CAEI  
Layne Logue, SCICAP  
Katie Phillips, MICA

### **2022 Graduates:**

Kyle Breon, Sieda Community Action  
Emily Fenner, MICA  
Carey Gibson, Association of Nationally Certified ROMA Trainers (NC)  
Tarah Kovacevich, SCICAP  
Melissa Maxey, Sieda Community Action  
Shakira Meyer, UDMO  
Araceli Roberts, MICA  
Donald Snider, MICA  
Faith Tray, Sieda Community Action  
Ana Ventura, MICA  
Stephanie Viter, HACAP  
Karen Walpole, Combined Community Action, Inc. (TX)

### **2021 Graduates:**

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Dena Briones, WCCA  
Katherine Harrington, ICAA  
Tyler Henderson, UDMO  
Jennifer Fleener, Sieda Community Action  
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**2020 Graduates:**

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Jaynie Mason, Operation Threshold

Brianne Mitchell, Mid-Sioux Opportunity, Inc.

Rigo Montiel, Community Action of Eastern Iowa

Danielle Pershing, HACAP

Kelsey Smith-Walhovd, West Central Community Action

Mallory Stewart, HACAP

**2019 Graduates:**

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Amber Beal, Sieda Community Action

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**2017-2018 Spring-Summer Graduates:**

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Amber Ahrens, IMPACT Community Action Partnership  
Cindy Davis, North Iowa Community Action Organization  
Cassie Reuter, Mid-Sioux Opportunity  
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**2016 Graduates:**

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**2014 Graduates:**

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