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Great Plains Communications IMPACT Program Contributes Grant to Benefit McCook Skatepark Project Fundraising Event, Light Up McCook

August 4, 2016 (Blair, Neb.) - The Great Plains Communications IMPACT Program in conjunction with McCook Economic Development Corporation contributed a grant to benefit the McCook Skatepark Project. The money was used to sponsor the fundraising event, Light Up McCook, which takes place Sunday, August 7, 2016 to raise money for lighting around the local skate park.

Light Up McCook will be located at the Bolles Canyon Skatepark, which opened to the public in October, 2015. Registration begins at 12 p.m. on Sunday, followed by exhibition tricks, a raffle and interviews with two local radio stations.

This grant is part of the Great Plains Communications IMPACT Program, an area development program created to encourage local organizations to receive funds by working on projects that solve a problem, serve a need, or develop their community.

"The commitment of Great Plains Communications to invest in the communities they serve is helping us remain competitive with other towns interested in staying ahead of the curve with community and business development, said Kirk Dixon, Executive Director of McCook Economic Development Corporation. "We say in McCook, 'Change is not always Better, but Better is always Better.' Great Plains Communications IMPACT Program helps us involve our young people in projects which solve nagging community issues. We are already recognized as "a great small town," and we're proud of that fact, however, Great Plains Communications IMPACT Program gives us additional resources to stay competitive progressing towards the next level of success we envision for ourselves."

About Great Plains Communications

Great Plains Communications is the largest privately owned telecommunications company in Nebraska and is headquartered in Blair, Nebraska. At the core of their service offering is an 8,000 mile regional fiber network encompassing the state of Nebraska and extending into Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, South Dakota and Wyoming.

They currently provide 90+ Nebraska communities with High-Speed Internet, High-Definition Cable Television, and Local and Long Distance Telephone services. Their business solutions range from traditional voice and data products to installation and support of large business networks with scalable Ethernet solutions. The company also prides itself on their progressive approach to accommodating the unique needs of regional and national telecommunications carriers, LECs, ISPs, and wireless carriers.

Great Plains Communications recently celebrated their 106-year anniversary, and are in their fourth generation of family ownership.