

News Release

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For immediate release:

White River Valley Electric Cooperative Supports Local Communities with Plugged-In Grants

Branson, Missouri – White River Valley Electric Cooperative (WRVEC) is proud to announce the approval of \$50,000 in grant monies for the "Plugged-In" Community Enhancement Program.



"Plugged-In" provides grants and old-fashioned sweat

equity to organizations seeking assistance for community-driven projects in Taney, Stone, Christian, Douglas, and Ozark Counties. The program is designed to grow area economies, promote community revitalization, and strengthen overall livability in each county. Grants are given to organizations that offer strong missions, proposals, and track-records. Grant monies are awarded for projects in each county that the Cooperative serves. Plus, volunteer participation is supplied by WRVEC employees, where applicable.

The grant monies will be used for a wide variety of projects throughout our five-county service territory. Some of the projects include:

- Installation of new arena lighting.
- Construction of storage and community buildings.
- Installation of security equipment.
- Enhancement of playground equipment.
- Restoration of roof.
- Purchase of new set of bleachers.
- Renovate community center bathrooms.

"Working alongside our members and supporting projects that enhance the communities we serve is just one part of the cooperative difference." Said WRVEC Vice President/Chief Growth Officer-Marketing and Communications, Cassie Cunningham. To learn more about "Plugged-In" and how to apply next year, visit <u>whiteriver.org/community/plugged-in/</u>.

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<u>White River Valley Electric Cooperative</u> is a <u>Touchstone Energy Cooperative</u> dedicated to ensuring our members receive safe and reliable service in their homes and businesses across five southwest Missouri counties including Ozark, Taney, Stone, Christian and Douglas.