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AK-SAR-BEN FRIENDS ACCEPTING 2008 COMMUNITY GRANT PROPOSAL

May 5, 2008, Omaha, Nebraska- The Ak-Sar-Ben Friends announced today the continuation of their community grant program. The matching-fund grants are to be used for support by any non- profit organization which strives to improve their community.

The Ak-Sar-Ben Friends will award \$5,000 in grant money based on demonstration of emerging community need, the goals and objectives addressed in the community's need, the capacity to implement the proposed project, and the proposed results of the project.

Submit proposals to the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben Foundation office at 302 South 36th Street, Suite 800, Omaha, NE 68131, by June 30th, 2008. They must be accompanied by a letter of support from an Ak-Sar-Ben Friends Ambassador.

Forms can be obtained from the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben website at www.aksarben.org.

Last year, Ak-Sar-Ben Friends awarded thirteen grants to communities across Nebraska and Western Iowa.

The Ak-Sar-Ben Friends is a membership-based organization established to work with and support the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben Foundation, established in 1895 with the mission "to build a more prosperous Heartland where communities can flourish and every child can succeed."

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