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CITY OF KEARNEY **PRESS RELEASE** **For Immediate Release**

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City of Kearney Receives Grant Funding from Nebraska Environmental Trust

The City of Kearney is excited to announce the Nebraska Environmental Trust has awarded the Sanitation Division a \$220,000 grant towards the construction of a new "Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility". The Trust Board announced funding for the project at its meeting on April 2, 2015 in Lincoln. This project is one of the 113 projects receiving \$19,491,958 in grant awards from the Nebraska Environmental Trust this year.



Nebraska Legislature created the Nebraska Environmental Trust in 1992. Using revenue from the Nebraska Lottery, the Trust has provided over \$233 million in grants to over 1,700 projects across the state. Anyone - citizens, organizations, communities, farmers and businesses - can apply for funding to protect habitat, improve water quality and establish recycling programs in Nebraska. Then Nebraska Environmental Trust works to preserve, protect, and restore our natural resources for future generations.

The City of Kearney has been collecting household hazardous waste (HHW) from the residents of Buffalo County for approximately 15 years. This program provides residents with access to a safe and environmentally responsible way to dispose of unwanted household chemicals. The new Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility will not only provide room for safely processing and sorting HHW, but it will also include a "Re-Store" area that will offer visitors an opportunity to acquire paint and select household chemicals to use at no charge. The new HHW building will be located on the property of the Kearney Area Recycling Center, conveniently making this a "one-stop-shop" for recyclers.

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