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**LA VISTA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION AWARDS OVER \$20,000 IN GRANTS
TO LOCAL NONPROFIT AGENCIES**

La Vista, Nebraska, October 10, 2008 -- The La Vista Community Foundation completed its fall 2008 granting cycle by awarding \$20,675 to eight local nonprofit agencies. These grants will go to fund programs that serve youth, families and seniors in the community.

Since its inception in 1999, the La Vista Community Foundation has awarded nearly \$75,000 in grants.

Fall 2008 grant recipients include:

- City of La Vista - \$1,750 to provide governance training for municipal elected officials.
- City of La Vista Recreation Department - \$4,000 for Automated External Defibrillators at the La Vista Recreation Center and the La Vista Falls Golf Course.
- Heartland Family Service - \$2,000 to educate students enrolled in the Papillion-La Vista public schools about domestic violence awareness and prevention.
- La Vista Fire Department - \$1,750 to install smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors in La Vista residences.
- La Vista Police Department - \$5,675 to acquire a computer server that will allow the department to upgrade to digital in-car video cameras.
- La Vista Public Library - \$4,000 for enhancements to the Mary Louise Anderson Storytime Room.
- Sarpy County Juvenile Drug Treatment Court - \$500 for activities youth in the program can attend.
- Volunteers Assisting Seniors - \$1,000 to provide Medicare education and assistance to local seniors.

The La Vista Community Foundation has improved the lives of thousands of residents through its grant-making program. The Foundation makes grants to organizations, projects and initiatives in the areas of youth and senior services, arts

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and cultural activities, civic improvement, health, social welfare, education and recreational facilities. Grant applications are available in the fall and spring.

The mission of the La Vista Community Foundation is to provide leadership in funding community needs through caring, broad-based efforts that assist people, groups and businesses in contributing to the betterment of the La Vista Community.

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