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## Sen. Frank Barnitz Announces Nearly \$75,000 in Funding for Montgomery City Library

JEFFERSON CITY – State Senator Frank Barnitz, D-Lake Spring, today announced that Montgomery City has been awarded a \$74,918 community grant. The Community Development Block Grant will be used to improve accessibility to the city library building in order to bring the library into compliance with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act.

"These needed funds will allow all residents to take part in the vital educational activities the Montgomery City library provides," Barnitz said.

The Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) offers grants to small Missouri communities to improve local facilities, address critical health and safety concerns, and develop a greater capacity for growth. It offers funds for projects ranging from housing and street repairs to industrial loans and job training.

Grants are issued by the Missouri Department of Economic Development. Block grant staffers at the Community Development division rely on communication with community leaders to determine which areas are most deserving of development grants.

"This grant is a result of the hard work of the citizens and community leaders of Montgomery City," Barnitz said. "They have put forth the effort to improve their quality of life, and they deserve the benefits these funds will provide."

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