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State Senator Bill Stouffer Announces Tax Credits for an Energetic Missouri Community

JEFFERSON CITY – Senator Bill Stouffer, R-Napton, today announced the Orrick Community Center has been awarded \$176,540 in Neighborhood Assistance Program (NAP) tax credits, which the center will use to remodel a historic structure in the downtown district.

Plans for the facility, located in a town of almost 900 in western Ray County, include renovating an upstairs library, installing an elevator, reviving the outside of the building and providing supplies for activities such as dance, ceramic, karate and youth theater, according to Karla Waters from the Orrick Community Center.

“This passionate group has no limits for enthusiasm or ability,” Stouffer said. “The volunteers who have provided labor, materials, and expertise make this community center a success.”

The NAP program is administered by Missouri’s Department of Economic Development, which awards tax credits based on a number of factors, including the demonstration of a need for a particular project, the scope and suitability of the project and the project’s estimated benefits.

“Here is a town that will not let its downtown crumble to the ground in disrepair,” Stouffer said. “It is truly amazing what a small town can do if the right people have a mission and are determined to get the job done.”

Waters said the renovated community center will help speed Orrick’s economic development and keep individuals from traveling to other towns for community events.

“The renovation is vital and important to the community life,” Waters said. “Getting this far is a real community effort and we look forward to continuing with the process.”

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