

# T-Mobile Hometown Grant Recipients Quote Sheet

"The City of Fruitland is thrilled to be one of the first recipients of the T-Mobile Hometown Grants program. We are in the process of building a new city park that will be a great asset to the citizens of Fruitland and surrounding communities. This much appreciated grant funding will be used to purchase a Tot-lot playground that will be one of the central features in the Payette River Sports Complex. This playground will entertain kids who visit our park for years to come. We appreciate T-Mobile's commitment to giving back to communities, it makes those communities a better place to work, live and raise a family. Their generous contribution to the City of Fruitland is greatly appreciated."

## Stuart Grimes, Fruitland City Administrator

"Raton is so honored to have been selected as a T-Mobile Hometown Grant recipient. Partnerships like this will help us continue to make Raton a perfect get-away destination and put us on the map of great places to visit."

## Brenda Ferri, Raton MainStreet Executive Director

"The Dixon: Historic Theatre is a cultural hub that serves multiple rural counties. Revitalizing it is a key project for our community's burgeoning arts and theatre scene. Thank you to T-Mobile for investing in rural America!"

#### Liandro Arellano Jr., City of Dixon Mayor

"The Downtown Moses Lake Association is thrilled to bring this project to our wonderful city! We've been working closely with our community, local organizations and downtown businesses to identify the wants and desires of Moses Lake. We feel that this business incubator will jumpstart our hopes of a Creative District in Moses Lake, complement our existing downtown businesses and highlight our local entrepreneurs. We want this to be a space people can come when they want to stimulate their creative mind and double as an opportunity to try new things alongside our community. The DMLA is so grateful for this funding to help us bring one of our dreams to life!"

## Lexi Smith, Executive Director of the Downtown Moses Lake Association

"We are honored T-Mobile has selected our project of Main Street beautification for funding. These funds will assist us in securing dark sky compliant lighting, as well as the opportunity to expand our design elements along our historic Main Street. We deeply appreciate T-Mobile's efforts to impact and revitalize small communities such as Helper and look forward to delivering results worthy of the award."

## Lenise Peterman, Helper City Mayor

"Thanks to T-Mobile, these two historic readapted facilities will allow our town to overcome barriers for both students and adults by providing internet and computer access which is a necessity. The pandemic and Hurricanes Sally and Zeta brought this need to the forefront and the T-Mobile grant has allowed us to address critical needs of rural broadband internet and computer access. The Pride of Atmore's two facilities include multiple projects in our efforts to bridge the opportunity gap in our small, underserved community. We are extremely grateful for the opportunity to partner with T-Mobile."

### Dale Ash, Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company of Atmore executive and Pride of Atmore advocate (AL)

"The O'Brien Watershed Bike and Hike Park will continue to transform Erwin and enable us to leverage our natural assets for the physical health and wellness of our community. We appreciate T-Mobile's contribution to this project and are excited to partner with them to showcase this part of Real Wild Unicoi County."

## Glenn White, Mayor, Town of Erwin, Tennessee

"Elgin has two public locations that offer free accessible WIFI. For a community of 10,000 that's unacceptable. We are glad to be working with T-Mobile and this grant to create a welcoming, comfortable space for our whole community with free access to WIFI."

### Ron Ramirez, City of Elgin, TX Mayor

"The City of Wedowee is very pleased that Hope Cottage of Randolph County has been chosen to receive the \$50,000 grant from T-Mobile's Hometown Grant Program. This investment in our community will reap benefits for families for generations to come. We look forward to seeing all the positive results of this project."

## Mayor Tim Coe, City of Wedowee (AL)

"We are extremely grateful to T-Mobile for this generous grant, which will allow our Inspiration Park outdoor gathering space to finally come to fruition after over a year of planning and a lot of teamwork. This space will not only give visitors to our downtown district a safe outdoor space to gather, we hope it will serve as inspiration to our next generation of young visionary women. The green space, seating area, sculpture and shade will provide a great place to sit and learn the history of women who shaped the heart of our city."

## Tina Longstreth, Executive Director, Batesville Main Street

"Thank you for the generous grant to Batesville Main Street to help shine a light on women's history. They have worked very hard to create a new park that will highlight the local women that have shaped our community. It will also offer a place where citizens and visitors can come together to work, live, and engage with one another."

#### Mayor Mike Bettice, City of Batesville

"Aumsville is grateful for T-Mobile's grant funds which will enable the community's vision come true. Maude's will provide a facility for the community to use for programs and business during the summer market season. As a small community, these funds have a huge impact on our projects. We're so excited to complete Maude's. The space will allow us to expand our programs and events in ways that meet our community's needs."

## Mayor Derek Clevenger, City of Aumsville

"Our village parks and recreation board has worked hard with very modest funding to provide continued improvements which in turn support our growing economy. Today, T-Mobile is helping us to launch a new adventure with new breath and freedom to build on new ideas. We look forward to the many great benefits that our community will have as a result of T-Mobile's generosity."

## Ken Van Portfliet, Village Council President, Lake Orion

"We are grateful for this opportunity to fulfill the original intent of this space. We envisioned the stage project as a way to unite the community in creating a public space that is inviting and relaxing, even when events are not being held. This grant affords us the means to bring that vision to life. This is a huge boost in confidence that will serve to accelerate our efforts to improve quality of life in Clarksville and Johnson County."

#### Jessica Gunn, Executive Director, Clarksville Chamber of Commerce

"The Art Loop Trail is an innovative project that blends and celebrates the beauty of nature and transformative power of art. The end result will be a natural trail with direct connectivity to the downtown and an organic exhibition space."

## Michael Lombardo, Mayor of Pittston (PA)

"As a recipient of the T-Mobile Hometown Grant program, we are now one-step closer to installing a free, pet-friendly dog park that will not only promote community inclusion and socialization for both dog owners and their pets, but will ultimately build a stronger, safer and happier community of Mammoth Lakes."

#### Stuart Brown, Town of Mammoth Lakes Parks and Recreation Director.

"We are greatly appreciative to T-Mobile and their dedication to help small towns like ours bring Murals and other beautification projects to our wonderful city!"

#### Rod Cross, Mayor of Toledo

"We are appreciative that T-Mobile chose to invest in the City of Oxford. As a recipient of a T-Mobile Hometown Grant, Oxford will transform an underutilized building and space in our historic Courthouse Square District, into a third space where people are able to read a book, where citizens are able to enjoy their lunch break, a place to visit with a friend, where someone can admire the beautiful architecture while waiting for a spouse that is shopping, or to listen to a local musician. Like T-Mobile, Oxford is in the business of connecting people, and because of this grant, we will be able to connect people to a new space on the Square."

## Robyn Tannehill, Mayor of Oxford Mississippi

"We are so grateful to have been selected as one of the T-Mobile Hometown Grant recipients. Over the years the Phoenixville community has become a regional hub for entertainment and non-profit events; bringing people of all backgrounds together in our beautiful historic downtown. The T-Mobile Hometown Grant will allow us to improve the downtown experience, creating a safe, welcoming space where our residents and visitors can come together. Thank you to T-Mobile for investing in our small community and helping us thrive."

## Peter J. Urscheler, Mayor, Borough of Phoenixville (PA)

"We are grateful to T-Mobile for the opportunity to revitalize such a historic, central space within our community!"

## Jordan, Talent City Manager

"The Martin County Chamber of Commerce is honored and thrilled to be part of this amazing project for the Town of Robersonville, North Carolina. We are so grateful that our town was the chosen recipient for the Hometown Grant. This funding will have a tremendous positive impact on our community and further a sense of unity and pride among our citizens."

#### Rebecca Harned, Executive Director, Martin County Chamber of Commerce (Robinsonville, NC)

"Thank you, T-Mobile, for this honor and to all who made this award possible. We're excited to add improvements to our town that move us forward in a positive direction."

#### Mayor Tina Brown, Town of Robersonville, NC

"The Chamber is so excited that T-Mobile chose Robersonville, North Carolina to receive this grant. This is an amazing opportunity for our small town."

#### Kasey Fletcher, Board Chair, Martin County Chamber of Commerce (Robinsonville, NC)

"South Fayette is excited to be chosen as a recipient of the T-Mobile Hometown Grant. These funds will be used towards the construction of new baseball fields in Fairview Park which will provide recreational opportunities for years to come. Thank you to T-Mobile for choosing to invest in the South Fayette Community."

## Gwen Rodi, South Fayette Township President of the Board of Commissioners