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Rocky Mountain Power Foundation grant supports Education Outreach at the American West Heritage Center

WELLSVILLE, Utah — The Rocky Mountain Power Foundation has awarded a \$5,000 grant to the American West Heritage Center (AWHC) to help support on-site and off-site Education Outreach Programs.

Over the last five years, the education programs of the AWHC have expanded and blossomed as more teachers and students participate every year. In 2010, more than 7,000 students, parents, and teachers participated in on-site field trips, where they learned about animals, history and the culture of the various groups of people who have lived and worked in Cache Valley. Hundreds more students in schools ranging from Lewiston to North Salt Lake have had the chance to interact with historical Traveling Trunks, which bring artifacts into classrooms.

“We are extremely pleased that we are able to support such a great educational program relating to the history and culture of Cache Valley,” said George Humbert, Rocky Mountain Power customer and community manager.

“The AWHC is grateful for the support of the Rocky Mountain Power Foundation. Thanks to their commitment to education, we have a chance to develop and maintain our one-of-a-kind learning experience,” said Nelda Ault, Education Director at the AWHC.

Funds from the Rocky Mountain Power Foundation will go toward staffing and supplies of on-site historical field trips, as well as to the maintenance of the Fur Trade and Shoshone Traveling Trunks.

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American West Heritage Center

The American West Heritage Foundation is a not-for-profit organization that strives to create an educational and entertaining environment that inspires visitors to learn, live and celebrate the American West by exploring the diverse cultures that shaped Cache Valley and the surrounding region from 1820-1920.

About the Rocky Mountain Power Foundation

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