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## **Rocky Mountain Power Foundation grant supports Iron Mission Museum Foundation**

CEDAR CITY, Utah — The Rocky Mountain Power Foundation has awarded a \$5,000 grant to the Iron Mission Museum Foundation to help support the reproduction of the iron foundry bellows, the final component of the replica iron works that was originally constructed and operated in Cedar City in the 1850's.

The Iron Mission Museum Foundation was organized in 1989 to act in an advisory capacity and provide financial support for museum operations. The Foundation provides guidance and assistance to the officers and staff of the Frontier Homestead State Park Museum in their efforts to collect, preserve, interpret and present historical materials to visitors.

“The vision of this organization, with their plan to create a hands-on experience for school groups and visitors of all ages, is very impressive. It is exciting to be able to support this type of a project which will educate us on the roots of this area and help us to understand how we came to have this remarkable community,” said Tom Heaton, Rocky Mountain Power customer and community manager.

“This is a great opportunity for Frontier Homestead to expand its educational opportunities. The staff is grateful to the Rocky Mountain Power Foundation for making it possible to complete the development of the Iron Works Homestead. When finished, the Homestead will reveal and preserve the roots of Cedar City and Iron County, providing a shared sense of community. It is because of the charitable support of organizations such as the Rocky Mountain Power Foundation that we are able to offer this type of expanded programming to our communities,” said Park Manager Todd Prince.

This grant will assist the museum in completing the replica iron foundry that will tell the story of the history of the park, Cedar City and Iron County. The foundry will consist of a full size blast furnace modeled after the Iron Mission plans, and a functional water wheel that will run into the furnace to simulate powering the bellows.

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### **About the Iron Mission Museum Foundation**

The Iron Mission Museum Foundation was established to provide guidance and assistance to the officers and staff of the Iron Mission State Park Museum. Their efforts will illuminate the cultural history of the Iron County region, from the first pioneer settlements through the close of the horse-drawn era, with emphasis on the Iron Mission Story and on transportation.

### **About the Rocky Mountain Power Foundation**

The Rocky Mountain Power Foundation is part of the PacifiCorp Foundation, one of the largest utility-endowed foundations in the United States. The foundation was created in 1988 by PacifiCorp, an electric utility serving 1.7 million customers in six Western states as Rocky Mountain Power (Utah, Wyoming and Idaho) and Pacific Power (Oregon, Washington and California). The foundation's mission, through charitable investments, is to support growth and vitality of the communities served by Pacific Power and Rocky Mountain Power. For more information, visit [www.rockymountainpower.net/rmpfoundation](http://www.rockymountainpower.net/rmpfoundation).