

BUILDING WITHIN YOUR COMMUNITY

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COMMUNITY-- LOCATION

- Located in Central Missouri, about 1 ½ hours east Kansas City
- Small Rural Community
- Nearest Cities: approximate 25 miles
- Many vacant lots
- Downtown: Main Streets
 - 10 buildings – 2/3 are vacant
 - Buildings are deteriorating due to aging, and no repair
 - Families occupying very old homes

Community - PEOPLE

- City Population: Approximate 600
- School Population: 315 K-12, 50 pre –k
- Social Economic Status: 65% free and reduced
 - ▣ Families on disability
 - ▣ Retired families
 - ▣ Unemployment families
 - ▣ Single families
 - ▣ Fixed income families

COMMUNITY--PEOPLE

- ▣ Rural: Crop and Livestock Producers
 - Farms: small to mid size
 - Multiple family generations
 - Most families supplement and work off farm jobs and careers to make sure self sustainment.
 - Many students of farm families work part time jobs when available.

COMMUNITY– BUSINESS

- Businesses in community
 - Bulldog Express, Deli
 - Casey's
 - Family Style Restaurant
 - Bank
 - Plastic Company
 - Elevator
 - Flee Market
 - Electrical Contractor
 - Plumbing Contractor
 - Various Construction Contractor
 - Waste Management Business

COMMUNITY– OUTLINE AREAS

- Whiteman Air Force Base
 - ▣ Located nearby in Knob Noster, approximate 20 miles north.
 - ▣ 10% of Student population are military families.
 - ▣ Some families move to country settings and have hobby farms.
 - ▣ Students enrolled in school.

STUDENTS GIVING BACK TO COMMUNITY

- Hiring Students to work part time
 - Before and after graduation
 - Students interact with community
 - Leadership/management roles
 - Students volunteering with various school and community groups.
 - Tradition of students improving school and community environment.
 - Students knowing the importance of integrity, reliability, responsibility, community service, and values.
 - Hope and future for community renovation

COMMUNITY GIVES TO STUDENTS

- Values, history, untold stories, traditions
- “Extended families”
- Life lessons
- Future Opportunities for students after graduation
- PRIDE
- Time and patience: community members make time to come to the store and interact with the students
- Website Creation and Design

RESOURCES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY

- Resources within the community...
 - People
 - Businesses
 - Plumbing
 - HVAC
 - Bank
 - Farmer's Market
 - School
 - Ag Business
 - Industrial Arts
 - Business/Marketing
 - FACS
 - Local Committees
 - LCBC
 - Fair Board
 - Lion's Club
 - Boosters
 - Cope
 - Boys and Girls Club

FUTURE FOR COMMUNITY



- Grants
- Continue to involve community
- More Businesses
- Recycling
- Farm to School and Community Gardens project
- Harvesters
- Farmers Market

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