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Sherman County Courthouse Sidewalk

Sherman County has some new sidewalks on the east side of the Courthouse square, thanks to the State's approval to repurpose some unused federal Community Development Block Grant funds.

With CNEDD's assistance, Sherman County was able to invest these dollars locally, rather than sending the funds back to the State.



All at once, summer collapsed into fall. -Oscar Wilde

Grants Keep Solid Waste Plant Running Efficiently

KBR Solid Waste has received a **\$21,600 USDA Community Facilities (CF) Grant** and a **\$28,400 USDA Economic Impact Initiative (EII) Grant** with the assistance of Central Nebraska Economic Development District, especially Community Specialist Carla Kimball. These grant funds have been used to purchase a **2018 Caterpillar backhoe loader**, replacing a 35-year-old model that replacement parts have become difficult to obtain. Total cost of the backhoe loader is \$79,700.



The backhoe is an **integral part** of the transfer station. It loads and packs the trash onto the trailer box for the 140-mile trip to Lexington Area Solid Waste. Every day, this backhoe loader is used on the iron pile, tree pile, and compost pile. With the parts becoming more unavailable, utilizing the old backhoe was starting to become a hazard, rather than helpful. Being able to afford the new backhoe greatly helps keep the solid waste plant running efficiently.

These grant funds are **essential** to keeping the cost of operations for the transfer station economical for the citizens of Brown County.