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RAHALL ANNOUNCES SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICE GRANT FOR WEST VIRGINIA

WASHINGTON, DC -- CONGRESSMAN NICK J. RAHALL, II (D-W.Va.) TODAY ANNOUNCED THAT THE WEST VIRGINIA COMMISSION ON AGING HAS BEEN AWARDED A \$788,791 GRANT BY THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR.

THESE GRANTS ARE ISSUED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM, WHICH PROVIDES A SUBSIDY TO EMPLOYERS WHO EMPLOY THOSE WHO ARE AT LEAST 55 YEARS OLD, AND WHO ARE WITHIN 125% OF THE POVERTY LEVEL. THE GOAL OF THE PROGRAM, WHICH HAS BEEN EXCEEDED EACH YEAR SINCE 1986, IS TO PLACE 20% OF ALL PARTICIPANTS IN NON-SUBSIDIZED POSITIONS.

"I BELIEVE THAT THIS PROGRAM IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF OUR OVER-ALL EFFORT TO ADD DIGNITY AND RESPECT TO THE LIVES OF OUR SENIOR CITIZENS," RAHALL SAID.

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