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DOLE ANNOUNCES GRANT RENEWALS FOR SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

WASHINGTON -- Kansas Sen. Bob Dole today announced that ACTION, the federal agency on volunteerism, has renewed two grants for senior volunteer programs for 1986.

The grants totaling more than \$60,000 keep Retired Senior Volunteer Programs (RSVP) operating in Marshall and Sedgwick counties.

"These programs play a vital role in keeping senior citizens active in our communities while allowing them to lend their assistance to people in need," Dole said. "Seniors volunteer their time in many ways including assisting teachers in reading programs at neighborhood schools; lending their support for nursing home residents; providing nutritious meals to the elderly or disabled in the Meals on Wheels programs, and participating in many other volunteer activities thanks to the RSVP programs.

"I'm pleased that these programs will continue to allow senior citizens to volunteer their time. Our senior citizens are an important asset and the services they provide to others should never be overlooked," Dole added.