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**DOLE ANNOUNCES \$1.3 MILLION FOR
FAMILY HOUSING ASSISTANCE IN KANSAS**

WASHINGTON - Kansas Senator Bob Dole announced today \$1,321,237 in grants to provide housing assistance for families in several communities in Kansas. The funding is from the Department of Housing and Urban Development under a newly restructured program, Section 8 Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS), that uses housing assistance to leverage other resources and supportive services, such as child care or job training, to help recipients become self-sufficient.

Section 8 is the federal government's main rental subsidy program for low-income persons. Under the FSS program, families receive assistance either under the voucher or the certificate program, which have different requirements for the rent that may be charged and the percentage of income that tenants must contribute towards that rent.

"This funding will go directly to Kansas communities so families that need assistance can obtain affordable housing. Nothing is as basic as decent shelter and these programs will help promote economic independence and self-sufficiency," said Dole. "I'm pleased that the federal government is extending this helping hand to needy Kansans."

The housing authorities receiving funding under the Section 8 FSS voucher program are:

Wichita Housing Authority funding authorizes 86 units	\$571,213
Brown County Housing Authority funding authorizes 47 units	\$205,496
Cowley County Housing Authority funding authorizes 20 units	\$ 89,296
Olathe Housing Authority funding authorizes 10 units	\$ 52,226

The housing authorities receiving funding under the Section 8 FSS certificate program are:

Lyon County Housing Authority funding authorizes 50 units	\$217,983
Topeka Housing Authority funding authorizes 17 units	\$105,941
Wichita Housing Authority funding authorizes 14 units	\$ 79,082

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