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DOLE ANNOUNCES FUNDING FOR KU RESEARCH AND
TRAINING CENTER TO AID THE HANDICAPPED

WASHINGTON -- Kansas Senator Bob Dole announced today that the Department of Education will make \$2 million available to the Research and Training Center for Independent Living at the University of Kansas, Lawrence.

The purpose of the center is to develop the practical techniques used in training to enable people with severe disabilities to live more independently.

"I am extremely pleased that the important work of helping people with severe disabilities will be accelerated through the funding of this grant to the University of Kansas.

"The excellent work of the center has continued to support the development and refinement of the independent living concept and to enhance the quality of services to persons with disabilities in Kansas and throughout the country."

Established in 1980 by the National Institute of Handicapped Research, the center is the only research and training facility devoted exclusively to independent living.

The funding for the center will be spread out over five years with \$400,000 going to the center each of those years.