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For Immediate Release - LNC Class #3 Announces Class Projects

Leadership Nebraska City is a nine-month leadership development and board readiness program. It selects up to ten participants each year representing the public, private and non-profit sectors of business and government. The program is a balanced combination of skills training, site tours, panel and guest speaker presentations, small group discussions, simulations and a class project enhancing the community.

As a requirement of the program, each Leadership Nebraska City class identifies and develops a class project that will demonstrate volunteerism and stewardship which will directly impact and benefit the community. Class #3 has selected two projects to donate their time, talent, funds and leadership.

Project Response plans to open "The Neighborhood Closet" in Nebraska City by the end of March. The class has pledged to donate funds, marketing efforts and up to 50 hours of community service to help promote the grand opening of the store. This will include a clothing drive, drop-off site for clothing and accessory donations; as well as help arranging and organizing displays in the store. Dawna Perkins has been chosen by the class to chair this project.

Additionally, the class has decided to pursue starting a Youth Leadership Nebraska City program. This will resemble the adult program and will be open for all Nebraska City sophomores and juniors. The class will develop, organize and facilitate the sessions for the first Youth Class which will launch this fall. As part of the development, the class will identify and structure an advisory council and seek sponsorships to provide sustainability for the continuance of the program. Lisa Chaney has been chosen by the class to chair this project.

For more information about these projects, contact Dawna Perkins at 873-3388 or Lisa Chaney at 873-3334.

Class #3 includes Lisa Chaney, News-Press; Shelli Eyman, Fingers Faces & Feet; Jen Fitch, Cargill; Brett Gay, A. Logan Properties; Vaughn Hammond, UNL Kimmel Education & Research Center; Dion Higgins, Nebraska City Chiropractic; Karen Houser, Lied Lodge & Conference Center; Mike Kearney, Ambassador Rehab & Wellness Center; Dawna Perkins, Arbor Bank; Rose Ralstin, Nebraska City Tourism & Commerce; Emily Valquier, Cargill; and Tracy Wieckhorst, Nebraska City Housing Authority.