



T-Mobile Hometown Grant Recipients Quote Sheet

Prichard, Alabama

"We are thrilled to announce the city of Prichard has been selected as a recipient of the T-Mobile Hometown Grant! This incredible opportunity will support the enhancement and revitalization of the heart of our community, boosting economic growth and fostering a renewed sense of pride among our residents. As the crossroads of Mobile County, Prichard is poised to stand out even more with this beautification effort. We extend our deepest gratitude to T-Mobile for their investment in our city's future. Together, we look forward to creating a brighter, more vibrant Prichard!"

- **George E. McCall, Jr., Council President, District 4**

"Downtown Prichard is fortunate due to the announcement of the T-Mobile Hometown grant award to the Port of Africatown. This wonderful award for the purpose of beautification and comfort sites will help greatly in the revitalization of our downtown Center City area. We feel that this tremendous award is a sign of new life for the community and its quest to rebuild economic and community development strides. The Prichard Housing Authority is grateful to T-Mobile and the Port of Africatown for this Honor and life lifting gift."

- **Kimberly Levingston, C.E.O, Prichard Housing Authority**

Monticello, Florida

"Jefferson County is thrilled to be chosen as a recipient of the T-Mobile Hometown Grant. Installing a mural in historic downtown Monticello will help us not only beautify the town but will help draw the perfect type of visitor—one who appreciates nature and wildlife and who will love our community like we locals do."

- **Austin Hosford, Jefferson County Chairman of the Board of Commissioners**

"T-Mobile's support of Jefferson County's mural project will help educate visitors and residents about the unique natural beauty in the area and raise awareness of the importance of conservation and preservation of our natural resources."

- **David Ward, Jefferson County Tourist Development Council Chairman**

"A public mural made possible by T-Mobile's Hometown Grant Program will help Jefferson County create interest and draw visitors to our downtown. Showcasing what is wonderful about our community affects tourism, economic development and general quality of life. We definitely plan to build on this first step and are so appreciative of this support."

- **Eydie Tricquet, President of the Board of Directors, Monticello-Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce**

Milledgeville, Georgia

"From the day Oconee Heights citizens came to a board of commissioners meeting four years ago to ask that their neighborhood receive attention, much planning has taken place to revitalize the Oconee Heights neighborhood. This new park and the playground equipment that will be purchased with the T-Mobile grant will be the first

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visible improvement. We anticipate that the neighborhood's excitement will grow and hope for a better future will abound.”

- **Carlos Tobar, Baldwin County Manager**

“This is an exciting opportunity for Baldwin County to team up with T-Mobile USA and take advantage of the T-Mobile Hometown Grant Program. The proceeds from this generous grant will be used to build a new community park in the Oconee Heights Neighborhood and will offer recreational services that have never been available in this area of Baldwin County. This \$50,000 grant provides the avenue for building this new park and playground and will promote outdoor activity among both children and adults, it will foster stronger connections among neighbors and will breathe a revitalizing breath well beyond the streets of this one neighborhood. I'm proud of what this collaboration has created, and I am sure we will see many more such partnerships that maximize the services Baldwin County provides to our citizens.”

- **Emily C. Davis, Baldwin County Commissioner District 1**

Effingham, Illinois

"We are deeply honored to receive this grant from T-Mobile, which will enable us to expand career pathways and add additional technologies for CORE. This funding represents not only an investment into our mission but also the future of the individuals and businesses we serve and the importance of preparing our community for the demands of modern workforce while fostering meaningful economic growth."

- **Jami Sidwell, Effingham Regional Career Foundation President**

"The Effingham County Board has been a big supporter of ERCA and is excited to see how the new CORE will strengthen partnerships with local industries which will provide our students with even greater opportunities for success in their chosen fields. I encourage all businesses to support CORE in achieving its mission and applaud the Effingham Regional Career Foundation in securing this \$50,000 grant."

- **Josh Douthit, Effingham County Board Chairman**

Crystal Lake, Illinois

The teams at New Directions Addiction Recovery Services (NDARS) and The Other Side are honored to be awarded a T-Mobile Hometown Grant. This grant allows us to support even more people seeking recovery, by making some much-needed renovations to our sober bar and cafe. At The Other Side we will continue to provide a dynamic social space for people to thrive without the necessity of alcohol, thanks to the support from T-Mobile.

- **Bobby Gattone, Executive Director, NDARS**

Great Barrington, Massachusetts

“The Town of Great Barrington is proud to be the home of Berkshire Busk!, a highlight of our summer that brings people together through the arts and culture. This generous support from T-Mobile provides an exciting opportunity to further develop the festival, and we hope it serves as an inspiration to other downtowns seeking to strengthen their communities and drive economic growth through the arts.”

- **Mark Pruhenski, Town Manager, City of Great Barrington**



Gloucester, Massachusetts

"On behalf of the City of Gloucester, I would like to express our deepest gratitude to T-Mobile for their incredible generosity and vision in selecting the Sawyer Free Library as a recipient of a \$50,000 Hometown Grant. This funding will help bring to life the new Digital Learning Lab—a cornerstone of the 2025 Sawyer Free Library transformation. As a future-focused library, they are committed to bridging the digital divide and equipping our community with the skills and resources needed to thrive in the 21st-century learning environment. The Digital Learning Lab will provide a welcoming, fully accessible space where individuals can connect with cutting-edge technology, develop digital literacy, and unlock new opportunities for innovation, entrepreneurship, and economic growth. Thanks to T-Mobile's investment in Gloucester, the Sawyer Free Library is poised to continue serving as a beacon of learning and empowerment, ensuring all members of our community have access to the tools they need to succeed in our rapidly evolving world."

- **Greg Verga, Mayor, City of Gloucester**

Cumberland, Maryland

"Congratulations to REACT, Inc. in receiving the T-Mobile Hometown Grant. The REACT Institute for STEM Education will provide Allegany County with a valuable educational resource for years to come."

- **Mike McKay, Maryland State Senator, District 1**

"REACT is truly honored and delighted to be chosen as a recipient of the T-Mobile Hometown Grant. This generous donation will go towards establishing a permanent location for our STEM-based education programs, activities and events for the youth of Cumberland, Maryland and the surrounding area. Thank you to T-Mobile for joining us in investing in and inspiring the next generation of scientists, engineers, software developers and so much more."

- **Barry Hartung, President, REACT**

Ellsworth, Maine

"There are many things that the Grand needs, but the sound system has been lacking for many years. This grant from T-Mobile's generosity is incredibly appreciated from the stage to the audience. What a terrific enhancement the audio will provide to the Grand for many years to come. Thank you, T-Mobile."

- **Jim Pendergist, Former Grand Board Member & Community Leader**

Harrisonville, Missouri

"The City of Harrisonville prides itself on serving our community with a lens that seeks to meet the needs of our entire demographic. Projects like the Community Connections Path, made possible by the T-Mobile Hometown Grant, allow us to do just that; meeting the needs of the young and the old, of those who call our wonderful community home and those who are just here for a quick visit."

- **Mike Zaring, Mayor, City of Harrisonville**

"I've always envisioned creating a walking loop in City Park for the community, along with a scenic walkway by the lake. Thanks to the T-Mobile Hometown Grant, we can now make both of these ideas a reality."

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- **Grant Purkey, Parks and Recreation Director, City of Harrisonville**

Morven, North Carolina

"We extend our sincere gratitude to T-Mobile for their commitment to uplifting small town communities. HOLLA! is thrilled to receive the Hometown Grant, which will support the development of an amphitheater — a project that will ignite pride and excitement throughout our region. This venue will serve as a central hub of community engagement and activity, further advancing the mission of HOLLA!"

- **Leon Gatewood, Founder & CEO, HOLLA! Community Development Center**

Liberty, New York

"The Village of Liberty greatly thanks T-Mobile for their generous grant, which will allow us to continue to clean up and brighten our streets. We are excited to use this grant to purchase new trash receptacles throughout the village of Liberty. This will support our initiative of making our village a warm and welcoming place for all who live here and all who visit. Many thank-yous to the help and support of T-Mobile!"

- **Joan Stoddard, Mayor, Village of Liberty**

Decatur, Ohio

"The Byrd Township Trustees were very pleased to learn about the \$27,000 award to our Community Center from the T-Mobile Hometown Grant Program. Making the Center more accessible to all township residents with the installation of ADA compliant access ramps is wonderful! Thank you to T-Mobile for their support of small towns and rural residents across America."

- **Steve Evans, Chairman of the Byrd Township Trustees**

Sallisaw, Oklahoma

"The City of Sallisaw is grateful to receive funding from the T-Mobile Hometown grant to bring to life an off-leash Dog Park. The vision for this project originated from a community improvement group hosted by the Sallisaw Chamber of Commerce. We are thrilled to provide our community with this new dog park. This park is a testament to our commitment to improving the quality of life for our residents and their pets. A big thank you to the Sallisaw Chamber, city staff, and community members for all their hard work and dedication in bringing this dog park to life."

- **Robin Haggard, Interim City Manager, City of Sallisaw**

North Bend, Oregon

"The T-Mobile Hometown Grant is a transformative opportunity for North Bend, helping us bring the vision of a vibrant community hub to life. The T-Mobile Stage & Performance Corner will be a space where residents and visitors come together to celebrate local culture, creativity, and connection, strengthening the fabric of our community for years to come."

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- **Jessica Engelke, Mayor, City of North Bend**

Coopersburg, Pennsylvania

"The Borough of Coopersburg is deeply grateful to T-Mobile for their support in improving this historic facility to an accessible, comfortable, progressive community center. The center will be a place for all ages and demographics to gather to experience community programs, education, art, healthy food initiatives, and other services. The funding from T-Mobile for improvements will allow us to meet these needs more effectively. Thank you."

- **Timothy Paashaus, Manager, Borough of Coopersburg**

"Thank you, T-Mobile, for the significant impact that the Hometown Grant will have on Coopersburg's Community Center. Our food pantry, Betty Lou's Pantry, will be relocated to the modernized facility and will better serve those with food insecurities in the area. Betty Lou's has been operating out of a basement facility for several decades. Now, with T-Mobile's assistance, the food pantry will serve the community with an improved, accessible, facility. We appreciate the support."

- **Chris Page, Coordinator, Betty Lou's Pantry**

Cagüitas, Aguas Buenas, Puerto Rico

"These partnerships are crucial to advance citizen participation. With this support we will be able to revitalize an abandoned school that represented a risk for the community into an asset for its resilience and development."

- **Luis Gallardo Rivera, Executive Director, CRH**

Saunderstown, Rhode Island

"We are honored to be selected as a T-Mobile Hometown Grant recipient. Our young campers and staff will soon have a beachfront that's easy and safe to navigate and a road that will provide a smooth and safe ride to and from camp. We want our kids to know that they, too, deserve a great summer experience, and thanks to T-Mobile, these improvements will help to convey that message."

- **Joe Pratt, Club Executive Director and CEO**

"Improvements to the camp road will make the property easily and readily accessible to emergency vehicles, and NKFD appreciates T-Mobile's support of such improvements. Life safety is always our first priority, and having an accessible, well-maintained road helps us to reach someone who may be in need of assistance for a medical emergency and provides rapid access to the seat of a brush fire."

- **Ernest Robin, Fire Marshal, North Kingstown Fire Department**

Cleveland, Tennessee

"I have seen firsthand the positive impact that Boys & Girls Clubs of the Ocoee Region has on youth. Their programs provide a safe, supportive environment where young people can thrive academically, acquire valuable workforce skills, learn critical life lessons, gain a sense of belonging, receive mental health support, stay on track for graduation, and avoid negative influences."



- **Adam Lowe, State Senator, Tennessee**

Bremerton, Washington

“The Bremerton Foodline is a valued partner in addressing food insecurity and reducing strain on individuals and families,” said Mayor Greg Wheeler. “The new garden will be an important resource, helping to support our residents in need, providing teachable skills and bringing people together as a community. We are proud that this grant will support the Bremerton Foodline’s mission and contribute to creating a stronger and more resilient community.”

- **Greg Wheeler, Mayor, City of Bremerton**

Sheridan, Wyoming

“The Downtown Sheridan Association wholeheartedly supports this grant application. We believe this project embodies the spirit of community revitalization that the T-Mobile Hometown Grant program seeks to foster. By investing in this greenhouse initiative, T-Mobile will be supporting not just a single project, but the future of our entire community.”

- **Zoila Perry, Executive Director, Downtown Sheridan Association**