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Keep Fremont Beautiful

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Dodge County Board of Supervisors Bob Missel, Chairman 435 N. Park Ave Fremont, NE 68025

Dear Board of Supervisors,

On behalf of Keep Fremont Beautiful (KFB), I am pleased to inform you that we have been awarded grant funding from the Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy (NDEE) through the Waste Reduction and Recycling Incentive Grant Program to host a one-day household hazardous collection event. This collection event will be open to Dodge County residents and has been scheduled to take place on Saturday, October 5, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. to noon at Christensen Field.

KFB remains dedicated to improving waste handling practices and encouraging citizens to take greater responsibility for our community environment. We take great pride in providing Dodge County residents with this free opportunity to safely dispose of their household hazardous waste on an annual basis for 14 years and counting. Nearly all the hazardous waste items accepted at this event cannot be disposed of elsewhere, making this service imperative to the safety and health of our county.

As the cost of hiring an environmental services contractor to accept and properly dispose of the collected hazardous waste has doubled in recent years, we would like to ask for your consideration to increase the grant cash match provided by Dodge County from \$2,000 to \$4,000 annually. This additional funding will assist our organization in continuing to meet cash match requirements that place our grant application as a high priority. We would like to extend our gratitude for the financial assistance Dodge County has provided in the past and we look forward to continuing to work together to keep our county clean and healthy!

Respectfully,