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Progress continues on Fair Grove Senior Center

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The Fair Grove Senior Center, Inc. has received a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) in the amount of \$250,000 to help in the construction of a building to hold its meetings. The senior center has also been approved to sell \$350,000 in Neighborhood Assistance Program (NAP) Missouri tax credits.

This is the first step, but the senior center still has to raise a \$168,872 cash match before the construction can begin.

Leon Beaty, chairman of the senior center board, said they have \$52,000 in the bank, but they still have to raise more than \$116,000.

"The senior center will have to work hard this coming year to raise the needed capital," Beaty said. "At the same time the senior center will be selling the Missouri tax credits. The tax credits are approved at the 70 percent level, so they should go fast."

The current fundraiser is a \$1,000 cash raffle. The cost for raffle tickets is one for \$10 or three for \$25. Tickets are on sale at the Fair Grove Farmers Market or at a booth at the Fair Grove Heritage Reunion, September 24 and 25. The raffle drawing is September 25 at the reunion.

At the present time the senior center meets every Tuesday at the Fellowship Hall in the Fair Grove United Methodist Church. The goal is to have a location where the group can have activities more than one day a week.