

Local Community Benefits Through Generosity

(KAIR)--The Jackson County community of Netawaka remains under a boil water advisory, which is in place long term due to water line related issues.

Due to the inconvenience the advisory causes the residents of the community, the Sabetha Chamber of Commerce has been working to provide some relief.

Executive Director Gina Murchison tells MSC News generosity has been strong, with local donations allowing the purchase of a pallet of water, to be donated to the affected community.

She said she reached out to Sabetha businesses that were chamber members.

“They would donate money toward the purchase of a pallet of water,” Murchison said. “I called one of the chamber businesses, Tony from Hardware Hank, he is selling us the water at cost.”

Murchison says donations are still being accepted, and more water could be purchased in the future based on support.

“If the donations keep coming in, then the chamber will ear-mark those donations for water for Netawaka for Jackson County,” Murchison said. “As the donations come in, we’ll buy more water and take it down to them.”

Murchison said people can e-mail her at sabethachamber@gmail.com or call (785)285-2139.

The pallet of 84, 24-packs of water, will be delivered to Netawaka Wednesday morning.

The boil water advisory was issued in May, and at that time, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment said it would remain in place for up to three months.

It was issued due to a Netawaka water line repair project that has resulted in the repeated loss of pressure.

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