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Valley Falls gains state tire grant

(KAIR)--One local city and one local area school district are set to benefit from the annual allocation of waste tire product grants from the State of Kansas.

The funds, a release explains, are distributed through the Kansas Department of Health and Environment Bureau of Waste Management and awarded annually "to local municipalities and public and private schools...across the state" in order "to fund projects that include the use of recycled tire products, including playground surfacing and picnic tables."

The City of Valley Falls is named as a recipient, receiving a grant amount of \$8,226, while the Inclusive Playground Committee of Leavenworth County-based USD 469 is set to receive an award of nearly \$32,189.

According to the release, the grants, funded by revenue collected through the tire excise tax, a \$0.25/vehicle tire fee, totaled more than \$529,600 and were awarded to 51 organizations across the state.

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