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State Records Board awards \$250,000 in grants

LINCOLN – The Nebraska State Records Board has awarded \$250,000 in grants to 12 governmental entities for development of projects to improve online access, according to Secretary of State John Gale, board chairperson.

Most of the grants were awarded for geographic information system (GIS) projects, which are designed to store, analyze, manage and present all types of geographically referenced data.

The GIS grants included the following: Cass County, \$20,706.50; Cheyenne County, \$19,757.50; Dodge County, \$23,742; Garfield County, \$23,742; Greeley County, \$23,742; Harlan County, \$23,742; Hitchcock County, \$23,742; Pierce County, \$12,300; Saunders County, \$23,742; Seward County, \$7,300; and Thayer County, \$23,742.

In addition, the Plattsmouth Public Library was awarded a grant of \$23,742 to digitize the Plattsmouth newspaper.

“These grants show the Record Board’s strong commitment to help develop rural Nebraska,” Gale said.

The Records Board oversees Nebraska.gov, the state’s official website. The grant program is funded by a portion of the board’s share of fees received from Nebraska.gov, and no state tax funds are used for the grants.

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