

RESOLUTION 35-10
Board of Trustees, the Village of Chatham, Illinois

WHEREAS the Village of Chatham recognizes West Central Illinois Educational Telecommunications Corporation, dbd Network knowledge, as a vital part of the community, headquartered in Chatham and local employer of 25 full and part-time employees; and

WHEREAS Network Knowledge is the community licensee of WSEC/PBS serving the citizens of Chatham and a two-state area population of more than 915,000 persons in 29 Illinois counties; and

WHEREAS Network Knowledge is facing a severe financial crisis as the result of state and federal funding cuts; restrained corporate and foundation participation; and further restraint in viewer financial support during this recessionary period; and

WHEREAS Network Knowledge has, since May 2009, furloughed most of its work force and faces the inability to retain personnel thereby and risking its ability to operate; and

WHEREAS the Comprehensive Plan of the Village of Chatham includes both the creation and retention of jobs in its goal of Economic Development:

BE IT THEREFORE RESOVLED THAT on Tuesday, October 12, 2010, the Village of Chatham Board of Trustees approved a grant request to the Community Development Assistance Program in behalf of Network Knowledge in an amount not to exceed \$450,000.

President
Thomas Gray

Clark

Pat Shanley

Present +
Approved

10/12/10

YES - 6

NO - 0

ABSENT - 0

