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KELLY GREGORY RECOGNIZED AS MISSOURI COMMUNITY CHAMPION

Kelly Gregory, Area Director for Clinton USDA Rural Development, was recognized as the Missouri Community Champion by Morris Westfall, State Director, in a ceremony December 15, 2008.

“Kelly is a true Community Champion,” Westfall said. “He is a positive person with a strong record of employing innovative measures to ensure individuals, families, businesses and communities benefit from the Rural Development programs. He is truly “committed to the future of rural communities!”



Gregory serves as Area Director of twenty-three counties in west central Missouri headquartered out of Clinton, Missouri and supervises twenty-four employees. During fiscal year 2008, his Area led the state in delivery of programs including over \$25 million in infrastructure for water and wastewater systems, community facilities and business loans plus over \$70 million for single family and multi-family housing assistance.

The Community Champion award is meant to recognize outstanding employees, who excel at customer service by using Rural Renaissance marketing to perform above expectations, bring innovation to their work, demonstrate strong leadership skills and honor their commitment to rural America.

Westfall added, “Kelly is an excellent communicator and builds relationships with a full range of partners. We are proud to have him on the Rural Development team and appreciate his excellence in delivering the programs to assist individuals, families, businesses and communities.”

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