

Class on Demand to Support Creation of The Kiowa County Media Center

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"We can't thank Class on Demand enough," said Janet West, president of the Kiowa County Media Center's Board of Directors. "Citizen-journalists are the backbone of our efforts with this project. Because of the instruction provided by Class on Demand, our residents will be able to produce quality programming and bridge the communication gap that has existed since the tornado."

"We are happy to help the citizens of Kiowa County rebuild their community," said Paul Holtz, founder and CEO of Class on Demand. "We admire their resilience and applaud their forward thinking and innovative approach to communications as reconstruction begins."

Upon completion, The Kiowa County Media Center will be a 5,000 square-foot facility with energy-efficient designs, technologies and equipment. It will consist of a small television studio, a small Internet radio studio as well as a studio for internet news. The state-of-the-art facility will also house the latest in video, audio and graphics workstations.

Phase One of the Media Center Project is currently underway, incorporating the construction of a 22-foot HDTV Production Trailer containing four HDTV cameras, as well as a collection of HDTV production equipment. The launch is scheduled to go online in November, 2009.

A transitory television studio will also be assembled within the new Kiowa County Community Building. Construction is scheduled to begin in the next few weeks. The Class on Demand training programs will be offered in both the Production Trailer and at the studio facilities.

About The Kiowa County Media Center Project

Started in March of 2008 after a devastating tornado hit Kiowa County, The Kiowa County Media Center Project is endorsed by the Greenburg City Council, supported by Greenburg leadership groups and founded by donations from multiple firms within the television broadcast industry. The Media Center is designed to solve multiple community communications challenges that many rural communities and counties face through the integration of Internet, live and on-demand television coverage, Internet radio and various digital media into a new forum for community journalism. For more information about the project, please visit the Kiowa County Media Center Project website.

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<http://www.nilmt.ksu.edu/projects/greensburg/docs/kcmc.pdf>

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