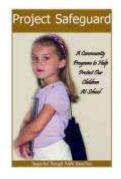


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## ASSOCIATED BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS DONATES TO "PROJECT SAFEGUARD"

## For Immediate Release



The Nevada State Contractors Board and the Washoe County School
District are pleased to announce that the Associated Builders and
Contractors Inc., Sierra Nevada Chapter, has donated \$5,862 to
"Project Safeguard," a community service project developed to help
finance the installation of protective fences around elementary schools

in the Reno/Sparks area.

A portion of the ABC funds will be used to provide protective fencing around Elmcrest Elementary School, 855 McDonald Drive, Reno, with the remainder to be applied to other school fences in the program. A presentation ceremony recognizing ABC's donation will take place at Elmcrest Elementary School at 11 a.m. on Nov. 21, 2008.

"Community service has always been a cornerstone of Associated Builders & Contractors Sierra Nevada Chapter," said Clara Andriola, ABC Sierra Nevada Chapter President. "Each year, ABC member companies strengthen our communities by serving the needs of others. ABC's members have a long history of supporting education, and continue to do their part in providing a healthy and prosperous learning environment for future generations. As an organization, our members are committed to safety in their everyday workplace. As a result, it's a natural fit for ABC to be a part of this project by ensuring our children's environment is safe.

"ABC is grateful for the opportunity to help make a difference in our community, and we would like to thank the Nevada State Contractors Board and Washoe County School District for partnering with ABC in this much needed community project."

On July 11, 2008, Microsoft Licensing, GP of Reno donated \$2,850.50 to provide fencing for Bud Beasley Elementary School in Sparks.

Approximately \$38,000 is still needed to fence the remaining five schools, according to estimates prepared by Tholl Fence, Inc. of Sparks. Those schools include: Jesse Beck, Reno; Drake, Sparks; Kate Smith, Sparks; Smithridge, Reno and Verdi, Verdi.

For those wishing to contribute to "Project Safeguard," a bank account has been established at Well Fargo Bank. You may go to any branch of Wells Fargo and donate to Bank Account Number 8045040790.