What are visitors saying about your community?

Have you ever wondered how people feel about your town after they see it for the first time? Now you can find out through a program known as First Impressions. The way the program works is to have teams of people arrive at a town, go around and view on average and, after viewing the town from a car window and visiting with business owners and people on the street, an impression is made. These impressions are combined and written up into a report and presented back to the community at a town meeting. Thus far, eight communities have participated in this program and the follow-up activities have been exciting. For further information, contact Sonny Sisk, K-State Research and Extension, (913) 532-5940.

PRIDE special emphasis continue

Rural health, tourism, and community outreach will be the PRIDE Program's special emphasis for the 1997 PRIDE year. All three have been carried over from the previous year. In addition, the print and electronic Communications recognition will also be continued.

1995-1996 PRIDE sponsored projects

The insert in this newsletter is a compilation of all the PRIDE sponsored projects that were submitted by the 50 communities completing the 1995-1996 PRIDE year.

Information Hot Lines

For community and economic development technical assistance, resource information, and referrals, help is available by calling either the K-State Research and Extension DIRECT Line at (913) 532-7987 or the K-State Department of Commerce & Housing's FIRST STOP CLEARINGHOUSE at (913) 296-5298.

Important PRIDE Dates

February 4 ... State PRIDE Board Meeting, Salina
April 13-15 ... National Volunteer Week
April 18 ... PRIDE event of the year is the September 1 ... PRIDE project book is the September 22-26 ... PRIDE judging week
November 26 ... State PRIDE Recognition Day, Salina.
Blue Ribbon applications approved

The following communities were evaluated and approved as meeting the required standards for PRIDE Blue Ribbon recognition at the November 8, 1996, State PRIDE Board meeting: Belleville - Culture & Arts and Health; Meriden - Emergency Medical Services; and Wallingford - Police Protection.

Communities receive recognition awards during PRIDE Day

At the PRIDE Day activities in Great Bend on November 9, 1996, awards were presented to the following Kansas PRIDE communities:
The page contains a list of events and information about community initiatives and PRIDE Surveys. It appears to be a document related to community development and PRIDE surveys. The content includes names, dates, and locations of various activities.