

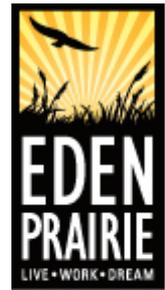
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KOHR'S FAMILY MAKES SIGNIFICANT PLEDGE TO OBSERVATORY BUILDING

Eden Prairie, Minn. — The Kohrs Family has made the first significant pledge toward the construction of an observatory building, needed to house a large telescope which was donated to the City in 2006.

Upon making the pledge of \$75,000, Doug Kohrs cited his long-time interest in space, and the ability of this unique facility to offer science education to youth.

Currently, the costs of constructing the building are estimated at \$120,000. In addition to the Kohrs Family, one other donor has stepped forward with a commitment to contribute \$10,000 to the project.

The City is seeking additional donations in order to proceed with plans for the observatory building. For more information, or to make a contribution, contact **Jay Lotthammer**, director of parks and recreation, at **952-949-8440**.

The City of Eden Prairie is a vibrant community of more than 60,000 people located just southwest of Minneapolis. Eden Prairie has been nationally recognized as a great place to live, work and raise a family. In 2006, MONEY Magazine named Eden Prairie the 10th "Best Place to Live" in America.

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