Banner Creek building project receives boosts

(KNZA)--Fund-raising efforts to build a new multi-purpose shelter house at the Banner Creek Reservoir west of Holton has received a couple of boosts.

According to the Friends of Banner Creek organization's Facebook page, they were contacted recently by someone who wants to match all donations up to \$15,000.

In addition, the Holton City Commission voted at their March 16 meeting to contribute \$5,000 toward the project.

The Friends of Banner Creek organization is working to raise \$125,000 in order to get a matching grant for the same amount from the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism to build the new shelter house.

The building is to included a kitchen, gathering area and basement for storm shelter.

As of last report, nearly \$95,000 has been raised toward the goal with a grant application deadline of April 15.

Those who would like to make a donation can go to the Jackson County Community Foundation website <a href="www.jacksoncountycf.org/donate.cfm">www.jacksoncountycf.org/donate.cfm</a>

Donations are tax deductible and any donations over \$500 will be recognized on the donor plaque that will be displayed in the new building.