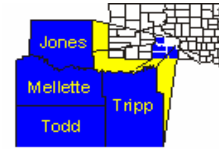


South Central RC&D Council, Inc.



Playground Equipment for Parmelee, South Dakota

The Horizons of Parmelee Entities (HOPE) along with South Central RC&D Council, the Boys and Girls Club of Parmelee, and Community Resource & Economic Development Organization (CREDO) of Mission were determined to create a safe place for the Tribal youth in the small town of Parmelee to play at. Susan Kary and Eldon White, HOPE volunteers, began the search for playground equipment funding in 2007 when they partnered with South Central RC&D. The playground has been constructed on land behind the Boys & Girls Club in Parmelee. In June 2009 a basketball court and small activity set was assembled by different church groups from Iowa, Nebraska and Illinois. Gene Hopkins instructed a welding workshop at the Boys & Girls Club where he assisted students in welding two swing sets and the Larson Foundation awarded a \$28,700 grant written by South Central RC&D Council for HOPE and the Boys & Girls Club to put in a large play center for the community. Construction for the large play center was completed during the first week of October. This group won the 2009 South Dakota State Association of RC&D Councils, Inc. Outstanding Sponsor Award.



Outdoor Welding Workshop

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Partners

- Church groups from Iowa, Nebraska and Illinois
- He Dog School
- Boys & Girls Club, of Parmelee, SD
- Gene Hopkins-Cante Ohitika ISS, Nebraska
- LaCreek Electric
- Game Time
- Russell Stubbles– SDSU
- Horizons of Parmelee Entity (HOPE)
- Larson Foundation
- Sinte Gleska University
- Sicangu Wicoti Awayankapi (SWA)
- Community Resource & Economic Development Organization (CREDO)