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BridgeValley GRID Community Meeting Announcement

(Montgomery, WV) - A community information session will be held at BridgeValley's GRID on Tuesday, August 13 from 6:00 - 7:30 PM to gather information in the form of images and stories related to Montgomery's renowned past and restorative future. BridgeValley is seeking input from citizens of Montgomery to assist with public art projects aiding the city's revitalization and beautification efforts. Inspirational ideas and photos of artifacts collected will be shared with artists interested in responding to a Request for Proposal (RFP) for public art installations at BridgeValley's GRID, which is located at 807 2nd Avenue in Montgomery.

Two murals and a sculpture will be created by West Virginia or regional artists. One mural will represent Montgomery's past and one will envision Montgomery's future. Artists selected will be awarded a stipend, material and supply costs, and travel reimbursements, which are funded through the generous support of the Greater Kanawha Valley Foundation in the form of a community and economic development grant. The artists selected will also be allowed to conduct workshops related to medium and techniques to community members.

RFPs for the project will be distributed through state arts agencies and local arts councils throughout the region later in the month. Responses to the RFP will be due September 30. Selection of submissions will be made immediately.

Artists interested in receiving the RFP should contact Laura McCullough, vice president of community education at BridgeValley. She can be contacted by phone at 304-205-6611.

About BridgeValley Community and Technical College

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BridgeValley Community and Technical College serves a six-county region including Fayette, Raleigh, Nicholas, Clay, Putnam and Kanawha counties. The college operates two campuses in Montgomery and South Charleston, along with the addition of the new Advanced Technology Center. BridgeValley Community and Technical College is a public institution of higher education independently accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Schools and Colleges and a member of the Community and Technical College System of West Virginia.

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