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Encino Energy Donates \$35,000 Toward Environment, Health and Safety Projects

Louisville, OH – Encino Energy made major donations from the Encino Energy Community Partnership Program earlier today supporting environment, health and safety projects in Carroll and Jefferson counties.

In Jefferson County, Encino was asked to provide funding for the Wintersville Fire and Rescue to purchase eight Conex shipping containers. These containers will be used to build a training facility for the Wintersville Fire and Rescue, which will be located adjacent to the burn building and to support hose line operations, search and rescue, roof operations, ladder operations, confined space rescue, rope rescue, sprinkler systems, and foam operations. The training center will be available for use by fire departments from Jefferson, Belmont, and Harrison counties. Encino invested \$20,000 from its Community Partnership Program toward this effort.

"These new containers are incredibly important—and Encino Energy was the first to answer our call for action to help make this happen. More important than the check, has been the partnership and collaboration we've had with Encino throughout this entire project, "said Rob Harrington, Fire Chief, Wintersville Volunteer Fire Department. "We look forward to continuing to work on ways we can partner together."

The second major investment made from the Encino Community Partnership Program supports the Carroll County Sheriff's Department with a \$15,000 investment toward a new state-of-the-art unmanned aerial system (UAS). Carroll County Sheriff Dale Williams originally made Encino aware of this need shortly after the county had experienced a series of critical events, where an unmanned aerial system could have significantly aided local first responders' efforts. Encino was particularly interested in this call-to-action after learning that one of the company's employees was directly impacted by a recent high-profile missing persons fatality. The project was also appealing because the funding was a collaborative effort between the Carroll County Commissioners, the Carroll County Foundation, and several other local entities who also participated in the funding of the project.

"As I said in my letter to Encino Energy, serving for years as your Sheriff, I felt that this state-of-the-art tool is vital for Carroll County," said Sheriff Dale Williams. "This drone will provide much-needed assistance to go where our police officers can't go and most importantly improve the health and safety of the people we serve. Our community really came together to support this special operation and Encino's support was a key driver to our fundraising efforts."

Encino's Director of Environment, Health and Safety, Dave Edwards, advised that its newly formed Community Partnership Program is designed to provide investment in long-term, sustainable projects in the areas in which the company has drilling and production operations with an emphasis on environment,

health and safety. Carroll and Jefferson Counties are among Encino's "core assets" where it is actively drilling, completing and producing wells.

"The protection of our environment, health and safety of the communities in which we live, and work is paramount to Encino's core values and really is the heart of our Community Partnership Program, "said Dave Edwards. "These two projects are personal to us because we work with first responders on a day-to-day basis and rely on them to support our operations in time of need. The UAS project, of course, really hit home because we saw the value with our own employees living right here in Carroll County. The investments we are making through this program captures the spirit of company's long-term vision, and we want to do our part to be a good neighbor."

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Editor's Note: This is the <u>second major investment</u> from the Encino Community Partnership Program. To learn more about the program and how to apply for funding visit <u>www.encinoenergy.com</u>.

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