

# CONGRESSMAN TOWELL - INGS

WASHINGTON--Congressman David Towell has introduced legislation which would promote the establishment of police grievance committees and create bills of rights for police officers in communities across the nation.

Towell and more than 100 co-sponsors submitted the measure as an amendment to the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968.

Under the legislation, police would have the right to:

- Engage in political activity during off-duty hours.
- Bring civil suits for damages arising out of official duties.
- Be notified of any planned disciplinary action.
- Have police representation on complaint review boards.
- Have no fear of reprisal for exercising their rights.

The amendment would go into effect one year after enactment. It would require states and communities to adopt similar bills of rights for police officers in order to remain eligible for grants from the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration.

WASHINGTON--Congressman David Towell's first "Nevada Newsletter" will begin appearing in mailboxes throughout the state within the next few days.

"The purpose of this newsletter," Towell said, "is to make sure that all concerned Nevadans are aware of what I've been doing and how I've been voting here in Washington. Not everyone may agree with the votes I've cast, but they have a right to know."

The newsletter details the Congressman's efforts to slow down inflation and tackle the gasoline shortage.

The four-page mini-newspaper notes that Towell has a voting record of 94 percent and it lists a number of major bills which he supported on the floor of the House. It also includes a summary of the most significant pieces of legislation sponsored by the Congressman during his first six months in office.

In addition, the newsletter contains complete results of his questionnaire--a profile of how the typical Nevadan views 19 different issues.

Towell said nearly 12,000 copies of the newsletter are being mailed to people and communities throughout the state. He pointed out that printing costs were paid for with private contributions.

WASHINGTON--Congressman David Towell has announced that the Office of Economic Opportunity is sending more than \$100,000 in grants to Washoe and Clark Counties to help fund legal assistance programs for the poor.

Towell said the Washoe County Legal Aid Society will receive \$60,450 to enable the organization to continue its program for the next nine months.

The other grant, in the amount of \$40,300, is going to the Clark County Legal Services Program to finance its operation for a six-month period - Dec.

WASHINGTON--Congressman David Towell announced today that the Department of Housing and Urban Development has approved three grants totaling nearly \$375,000 for the development of public parks in Clark County.

Towell said the City of Las Vegas would receive \$150,000 toward the continued development of Lorenzi Park, a 60-acre area located within walking distance of the Westside. He explained that this grant is earmarked for construction of a sports complex field and a parking lot as well as more landscaping. The completion of these projects would push the development past 50% in completion.

Towell said the second grant, in the amount of \$100,000, would be used by North Las Vegas to develop the main channel of the Las Vegas Wash into a greenbelt linear park. Plans call for the park to be about eight miles long and at least 100 feet wide.

## BOY SCOUT NEWS

Ed Fike, President of the Boulder Dam Area, Council of the Boy Scouts has announced a major grant by the Max C. Fleischmann Foundation which is specifically designated for development of the Council's Utah property. The Fleischmann Grant is in two parts - a \$47,000 cash payment for immediate work on the Utah property and a pledge of \$178,000 which will be paid upon achievement of the Boulder Dam Area Council's Capital Fund Campaign Goal of \$1,125,000. Mr. Jack Biegger, Chairman of the Capital Fund Raising Committee, stated that the campaign has reached \$835,000 to date, including the Fleischmann Grant. The various executives of the Boulder Dam Area Council are confident that the goal will be attained. Bill Laub, Chairman of the steering committee; Virgil Slade, Camp Development Chairman and all joined with Mr. Fike in announcing the Fleischmann Grant.

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