

**ERS: Rural Community Wealth and Health Care Provision
Provider Respondent Thank-You Letter 2015**

DATE

NAME
ADDRESS
CITY/STATE/ZIP

Dear [NAME],

You may recall receiving information earlier this year about the Community Assets / Community Health (CA/CH) project, which is currently in process in 150 communities in 9 states. CA/CH focuses on the challenges of providing affordable and quality health care in rural communities. Its researchers at Iowa State University and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Economic Research Service are working to identify how the unique assets of communities can contribute to strengthening their local health care, and how, in turn, a strong local health care industry can help communities to prosper.

We have received your completed survey on behalf of [TOWN, STATE] and we want to thank you for your time and thoughtful participation. While we cannot provide full compensation, please accept the enclosed \$40 gift as a token of our appreciation.

Our hope is that this project will significantly benefit many rural communities like yours. As we noted in the past, all information you provided will be used only for statistical research purposes. Your responses will be kept completely confidential and the data that is reported will be summarized by groups of communities to protect the identity of respondents.

If you have any questions, please contact Iowa State University project staff at sbrs.cach@iastate.edu or 515-294-4824.

Thank you again for your cooperation and assistance. We wish you all the best.

Sincerely,

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