Rising from the Ashes: The Onaga Story
Onaga, Kansas
Overview

Population – 702

Nearest grocery store:
• Westmoreland – 30 minutes
• St. Marys – 30 minutes
• Holton – 30 minutes
• Centralia – 35 minutes
• Wamego – 45 minutes
• Seneca – 45 minutes
• Topeka – 1 hour
• Manhattan – 1 hour
Overview

• Community HealthCare System – award winning, full-service healthcare facility.
• Onaga-Havensville-Wheaton USD #322
• City-owned golf course
• Recently completed downtown streetscape
• New infrastructure
• Broadband internet
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Gary Holthaus, Mayor and Pam Unruh, City Clerk

- Loss of a grocery store
- Loss of sales tax
- Impact on the community
- Finding new store operators
- Financing a new store
- Neighborhood Revitalization Program – www.cityofonaga.com
Morrill & Janes Bank, Onaga

• Dan Peters, *Morrill & Janes Bank*
• Financing plan with the city
• Loan information
Onaga Country Market

• Pam Budenbender, owner
  – Background
  – Customer Service
  – Obstacles
  – Affiliated Foods Midwest
  – Financing
Onaga Country Market

• Timeline
  – December 3, 2010 - Fire
  – July 2011 - Dirt work started
  – August 2011 - Concrete was poured
  – September 2011 - Building erection started
  – October 2011 - Building shell was finished
  – October/November 2011 - Interior Finish
  – Dec 1, 2011 - Grand Opening
Thank You for Shopping

Country Market

Please Come Again!
BAGS & WRAPS
PICNIC/PLATES
ALUMINUM FOIL

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PASTA
TOMATOES
BOXED DINNERS
Rural Development/USDA

- Loan programs and assistance
Pottawatomie County Economic Development Corporation

- Pottawatomie County E-Community Revolving Loan Fund
  - 60/40 match
  - Up to $45,000

- Startup Kansas Loans [http://networkkansas.com/](http://networkkansas.com/)
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Questions ?
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