



Scribner lighting project wins award, cash

NMPP Energy awarded the City of Scribner with a Project of the Year Award in the under 1,500 population category for its LED Street Light Project at its 37th annual meeting and conference in Hastings March 28.

The award is presented annually to honor a project or program by an NMPP Energy member community that creates a more cohesive community, whether it is a project created for the entire community or one that makes it easier for city staff and employees to serve their customers. One award is given to one community in each of the three categories, based on population. The City of

Scribner has been a member of the Nebraska Municipal Power Pool, the utility and energy services organization of NMPP Energy, since 1988.

The recently completed project involved replacing 175 mercury vapor lights with more energy efficient LED lights (light emitting diodes). The project also included the installation of 12 new LED street lights and 12 new historic LED street lights along the city's Main Street business district. LED lights use about 70 percent less electricity to produce the same amount of light and last ten to 12 times longer.

The project, which was part of the city's downtown revitalization effort, improved the community's infrastructure and enhanced the aesthetic appearance of its entry corridor into the community. The City funded a majority of the project by securing an energy efficiency block grant from the [Nebraska Energy Office](#).

Along with the recognition at NMPP Energy's Annual Meeting and Conference, the city was awarded \$200, which the City of Scribner will donate to fund a spotlight to illuminate the American flag that flies over the community.



Scribner City Administrator Al Vacanti (middle) accepts a Project of the Year Award from NMPP Energy Executive Director Gary Stauffer (left) and NMPP BVBoard Chair Mike Beachler.