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**SUPERVISORS APPROVE BOND FUNDS
FOR AMADO COMMUNITY BUILDING**

Tucson, AZ -- On June 6, the Pima County Board of Supervisors approved the first Neighborhood Reinvestment bond project in rural Pima County, a community building to be constructed in Amado.

Supervisor Sharon Bronson, whose district encompasses most of rural Pima County, said, "The approval of the Amado community building project demonstrates that unincorporated Pima County has economically stressed populations which merit Neighborhood Reinvestment funding, and Amado is the first of these."

The Amado Community project consists of a 3,300 square foot building to be constructed on the school grounds of Sopori Elementary School. The \$500,000 project will be used for community activities and programs.

The Neighborhood Reinvestment Program is a community driven process in which Pima County general obligation bond funds are utilized to create improvements, develop infrastructure, and increase safety in communities that are facing significant challenges. 51 projects have been approved since 1997, and additional applications are in process.

Neighborhood Reinvestment bond funds were originally approved by Pima County voters in 1997, and again in May of 2004 when voters overwhelmingly approved \$20 million for small scale capital improvements in socially and economically stressed communities.

For more information, contact the Pima County Neighborhood Reinvestment Program, 243-6769.

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