

# West Parking Lot Project Fundraising Campaign

## Buy a Brick Program

The Design Committee of the Main Street D.R.E.A.M team has developed a landscaping project for the public parking lot on North Washington Street across from Hope's Castle – behind Hunan's Chinese Restaurant. For years, the local merchants have wanted this area cleaned up. The improvements that have been developed will make the parking lot inviting and safe for visitors, area employees, and the general shopping public. The additional landscaping will help to soften the hard lines of the backs of the commercial buildings and create a nice walkway into the downtown area.



The project includes an arched entrance sign with solar lighting; a hard-brick walkway; a landscape strip of drought resistant plants and trees; benches; and up-lighting in the foliage. The entrance path, which leads from the sidewalk into the parking lot, will be made of 250 hard-brick. These bricks will be engraved with names of businesses, organizations, families, individuals, or loved ones "in memorial". 23 spaces can fit on a brick for the engraved name - including blanks space. Organizations, community members and area merchants are invited to participate at the following levels:

**Platinum Level** - \$1,000 – acknowledgement in the newspaper along with 4 engraved bricks for the pedestrian walkway.

**Gold Level** - \$500 – acknowledgement in the newspaper along with 2 engraved bricks for the pedestrian walkway.

**Silver Level** - \$250 – acknowledgement in the newspaper along with 1 engraved brick for the pedestrian walkway.

**Individual Level** - \$100 – acknowledgement in the newspaper along with 1 engraved brick for the pedestrian walkway.

**\*Any other contribution amount is welcome.**

The initial clearing of the area was completed by the City Public Works Department last week. The ground work will be installed this fall and the final planting will be completed next spring. Note: the east public parking lot (by the VFW) will be developed in spring 2008. Please mail your requests to D.R.E.A.M. @ Monte Vista Main Street Program, 947 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Monte Vista, CO 81144. Write West Parking Lot in the margin. Include a letter with the wording for the engraved brick along with a check made payable to: Monte Vista Main Street Program. Only 250 bricks can fit in the project and they will be engraved and installed as the applications are received.