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On Monday, April 7, the Tremont Betterment Association disbursed a portion of the proceeds of the 2013 Tremont Turkey Festival. The group approved the following:

Tremont District Library	\$ 1,625.00
Tremont Food Pantry	\$ 2,000.00
Tremont Garden Club	\$ 800.00
Tremont In Touch	\$ 4,500.00
Tremont Lions Club	\$ 5,000.00
Tremont Rescue 702	\$ 10,000.00
Tremont Roboteers Team 2481	\$ 3,000.00
Tremont Senior Nutrition	\$ 3,000.00
Tremont Youth Basketball	\$ 1,500.00
Tremont Swimming Pool	\$ 7,500.00 (Annual commitment for future maintenance)
Tremont Rescue 702	\$ 5,000.00 (Annual commitment for future Ambulance)
TBA Scholarship Fund	\$ 2,000.00 (Annual Commitment)

In addition to the above disbursements, the Tremont Betterment Association agreed to work with the Tremont Area Park District to replace the playground equipment at City Park.

The group also voted to invest in 12 computer tablets that will be used by cashiers in the food-line. This will provide data for sales, inventory, and many other indicators that will improve efficiency throughout the food lines.

Tremont Betterment Association (TBA) is a section 501(3)(c) non-profit group that was formed in 1976 as the sponsoring and steering organization for each Turkey Festival. The group consists of former Festival General Chairpersons who wish to continue their interest and involvement with the festival and the community.

TBA is responsible for setting budgets and policies for the festival and notably, for distributing festival proceeds to the Tremont community for special projects and assistance to organizations that make Tremont a better place to live and visit. Since its inception, the Turkey Festival has returned over \$2,000,000 to the community.