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Dear Supporter of the Milaca Community:

The 2015-2016 Milaca Robotics Team had a fantastic start during their first year by designing, building, troubleshooting and competing with a fully-functional homemade robot, through the FIRST™ robotics program.

FIRST™ is an acronym for "For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology." It is an international competition, which pairs high schools with community sponsors and mentors to build a robot which will compete in a sport-like event. The students benefit by learning real-world problem solving and communication skills that can be transferred to a large number of career fields. In fact over 85% of participants in FIRST™ robotics say that they have more interest in school, more interest in taking a challenging math and science course, and more interest in going to college. Students also qualify for \$25 million in college scholarships just by participating.

Last year we funded our program through grants, donations, fundraising and work-projects. Many of those dollars came through first-year grants that we will not be eligible for this upcoming year. We are currently looking for more community sponsors to help us reach our goals and continue our robotics team. The dollars we raise will go largely towards the purchase of parts, tools, and competition costs for our team. Would you be interested in helping us reach our goals and support the future of our team?

We are contacting you because you are involved in a business that matches with what we are doing--solving people's mechanical, electrical, parts and manufacturing needs. If you are interested in making a donation, please see the back side of this letter for more information.

Thank you so much for your support in the past and taking the time to read this letter. We appreciate any support that you can give to our team. It will go a long way to help train students for future success!

Sincerely,

Coach Brent Jergens and The Milaca High School Robotics Team

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Donation Levels: Gold: \$200 and above. You will be considered one of our team's official sponsors, announced at competitions. Your company's name or logo will be on our robot and T-shirts. You will also receive a free team T-shirt.

Silver: \$100-\$199. Your company's name or logo will be on our robot and T-shirts.

Bronze: \$50-\$99. Your company's name or logo will be on our robot.

Company Name: _____

Please include a business card containing your company's logo as you would like it to appear on the robot.

Checks may be made to Milaca High School, with "Robotics Team" in the memo line.

Your T-shirt size for Donations in the gold level: _____



The pit crew Joselito and Bailey with advisor Erik Wall at Duluth regional competition.



The 2015-2016 Milaca Robotics Team with the robot at Duluth regional competition.

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