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## 2011 All-America City Finalist Quilt on Display

**Beloit, Wisconsin** (**August 24, 2012**) – In 2011, the City of Beloit was a finalist for the National Civic League's All-America City Award. Each year, finalists in the All-America City competition submit a quilt square representing their municipality or county.

In the spring of 2011, Sally McFerren, the owner of Attic Quilts located at 322 State Street, donated her time, talent, and materials into sewing Beloit's 12" inch quilt square, which replicates the City's flag. In June of 2011, the City of Beloit's delegation traveled to Kansas City, Missouri for the All-America City competition and delivered Beloit's quilt square.

The squares were then stitched together into a quilt, which has toured the country visiting each of the finalist cities. The quilt's 24-city tour was scheduled in alphabetical order by state. The quilt's first stop was Kenai, Alaska and its last stop is here in Beloit, Wisconsin.

The City of Beloit appreciates the generosity of Sally McFerren of Attic Quilts for her assistance in creating the quilt square for the City of Beloit. Attic Quilts is now displaying the 2011 All-America City Finalist Quilt. The store will display the quilt from Friday, August 24, through Monday, September 3. The public is invited to stop by and view the quilt.

The quilt tour is paid for with support from Southwest Airlines, the official airline of the All-America City Award.