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Lucy Flores Mendez

From: Jayne Mercer
Sent: Wednesday, December 03, 2014 1:59 PM
To: Kathy George; Allen Springer; Mary Starrett
Cc: Laura Tschabold; Lucy Flores Mendez
Subject: Yamhill County Spirit Mountain Community Fund Application
Attachments: IT's LOI, 11.18.pdf; DA's LOI, 12.1.pdf

Commissioners,

In an effort to provide the best fit application to our annual county opportunity to apply to the Spirit Mountain Community Fund (SMCF), we have conducted an internal call for applications. We have received two:

1. Information Technology has requested \$59,897.50 to complete the microwave link to connect the county's system to the Saddlebag Mountain site. This site is rural and some of the area cover falls on tribal land, ensuring a link in emergency communications (Category: Public Safety).
2. District Attorney's Office has requested \$5,000 in funding to support the Courthouse Dog- Marybeth II program that supports victims and witnesses of domestic violence. The program plays an important role in support victims, mainly children, through their legal proceedings (Category: Health- Healthy Mothers/Healthy Children: DV Child Abuse).

As a reminder the SMCF funding categories are:

- Arts & Culture
- Education
- Environmental Preservation
- Health
 - Healthy Mothers/Healthy Children
 - Overcoming Obesity
 - Oral Health
- Historic Preservation
- Problem Gaming
- Public Safety

The applications are attached with full detail of the funding priorities from the SMCF on the first two pages. We are hoping to meet a January 3rd deadline.

Lucy, could you add this to the agenda for the next informal or formal session? Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jayne

Accepted by Yamhill County
Board of Commissioners on
12.11.14 by Board Order
14-720



SPIRIT MOUNTAIN
COMMUNITY FUND

Spirit Mountain Community Fund Grant Information for Yamhill County

<http://www.thecommunityfund.com/>

Funding Priorities

Spirit Mountain Community Fund supports projects within seven programmatic categories;

- Arts & Culture
- Education
- Environmental Preservation
- Health
- Historic Preservation
- Problem Gaming
- Public Safety

The Fund remains receptive to supporting projects that fit within the traditional funding categories and to creative new ideas.

Within the seven funding categories three specific areas have been given priority by the trustees:

1. Health

- *Healthy Mothers/Healthy Children:*
We believe that by supporting programs that focus on women's health needs, pre and post natal care, early childhood health, domestic violence, and child abuse or neglect, we may have positive impact on the health of our children over the course of their lives.
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- *Oral Health:*

As research continues to reveal the intrinsic role that oral health plays in overall physical and mental health and development of persons of all ages, we support programs that provide access to oral care.

2. Education

- *Ready for School:*
We support programs that improve early childhood learning and development to empower each child's learning to their full potential.
- *Reading Success:*
We support programs that create and support the success of young readers.
- *Effective Education for All:*
We believe that programs that build on the school experience are often necessary to help children who experience challenges to their learning success. Valued programs include after school programs, tutoring, summer school and year-round education programs.

3. Environment

- *River Health:*
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- *Water Quality:*
The water quality of our rivers must be able to support a recovering and one day thriving fish population.
- *River Habitat Conservation and Restoration:*
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environmental damage must inform how our environment is maintained, managed, and regulated.

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The county qualifies for the Large Grants program, which funds up to \$50,000 (program requests) or \$100,000 (capital requests).

No more than 50% of the budget can be covered by the grant.

**Project Description for Spirit Mountain Community Fund Grant;
Yamhill County Form**

Contact Information

Department Name: Information Technology

Date: 19 November, 2014

Contact Person: Murray Paolo

Project Information

Project Title: Saddlebag Mountain Public Safety Communications

Project Start Date: March 1, 2015

Project End Date: August 30, 2015

Program Area: Public Safety

(Pick one: Arts & Culture, Education, Environmental Education, Health, Historic Preservation, Problem Gaming, Public Safety)

Request Amount: \$59,897.50

Total Project Budget \$119,795.00

Source of Matching Funds: Communication Systems Reserve, remaining balance.

Project Description (300 word limit):

For many years, Yamhill County's communication system design has anticipated the inclusion of the Saddlebag Mountain site. The coverage from this site enables public safety services to adequately communicate well into the VanDuzer corridor on Highway 18, as well providing coverage into the mountainous areas and valleys along Highway 22. A significant amount of tribal land will also receive receive Public Safety radio coverage from this communications site. These areas, while often requiring public safety services of either Fire or Law Enforcement, are not well covered with existing communications systems.

This project will include the acquisition and installation of a microwave link to connect our system to the Saddlebag site. It will also include the acquisition and installation of a UHF radio base station at the site, along with the associated antennas, connection equipment, and the required power systems needed to run the new equipment. Yamhill County has previously sought and acquired UHF radio frequencies at this site in anticipation of one day installing radio equipment at this location, thus we are fully licensed to operate at Saddlebag Mountain. Since this site is on private property, and owned by the State of Oregon, we have made previous arrangements to co-locate on this site.

This location will provide the final required system coverage needed for our Public Safety communications system to adequately serve areas where our Public Safety services are often needed. The Highway 18 and Highway 22 corridors carry a substantial amount of traffic. Serving citizens in these areas has long been identified as a critical Public Safety need. This project will directly address that need.

If applicable, how will the project be maintained after the grant is completed?

Yamhill County presently has a Public Safety radio system that is maintained through a private contractor. That contract would be expanded to include this new site. In addition, a replacement fund has been established to replace radio system components that reach the end of their lifetime. Thus, the maintenance and eventual replacement of equipment has been accounted for.

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Contact Information

Department Name: Yamhill County District Attorney

Date: 12/1/14

Contact Person: Bradley Berry

Project Information

Project Title: Courthouse Dog - Marybeth II

Project Start Date: 2/5/14

Project End Date: 2/5/22

Program Area: Health - Healthy Mothers/Healthy Children: DV/Child Abuse

(Pick one: Arts & Culture, Education, Environmental Education, Health, Historic Preservation, Problem Gaming, Public Safety)

Request Amount: \$5,000 (1/8 of the Total Project Budget)

Total Project Budget: \$40,000

Source of Matching Funds: Community Fundraising, Business Sponsorship

Project Description (300 word limit):

This is a project designed to bring comfort to and reduce the stress of victims of domestic and sexual violence and for children who are witnesses to and victims of Domestic Violence. In Yamhill County, every crime victim is assigned a crime victim advocate who assists victims as they navigate the very complicated criminal justice system. Every victim we work with, is suffering from some level of trauma and we believe the assistance of an advocate is paramount to the victim begin their very lengthy healing process. In February, 2014, the Yamhill County District Attorney's Office became the first office in the sate of Oregon to have a court house assistance dog from the national organization, Canines Companions for Independence (CCI). CCI provides highly trained dogs and then trains the handler to work with the dog. Marybeth provides a calming and stabilizing presence for all victims. Marybeth is able to accompany victims to court for hearings and is available to go into grand jury with them as well. Marybeth has a very calming effect on victims as they are relaying their experience to police officers and really can help them focus as the victim tries to remember details of the crime. Children love Marybeth and are willing to share very sensitive and traumatic information with her and they find comfort in petting her during hearings. Marybeth makes victims feel safe when they are at their most vulnerable.

If applicable, how will the project be maintained after the grant is completed?

It is expected that Marybeth will be able to work for 8-10 years. We have committed to private resources for this program and believe we will be able to apply for community based grants and fundraise locally. We have found that this is a very compelling cause and people are very supportive of this project.

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