

**Deschutes County
Board of County Commissioners
Discretionary Grant Program**

Board Meeting Date: July 27, 2016

Organization: Sisters Schools Foundation, Inc.

Project Name: Seed to Table Project

Description: Provide a classroom and packing shed to operate the S2T (Seed to Table) project. The project provides education and instruction in nutrition, wellness, science, and the development of a garden and farm plot to approximately 1,000 students and 500 community members annually. Participants grow and donate fresh produce each week to approximately 150 low-income families through the Sisters Kiwanis and Sisters Bread of Life Food Banks.

Project Period: Not indicated.

Amount of Request: \$2,500

Previous Grants:

11/1/1999	\$ 3,000.00	Starry Nights Concert Series
10/1/2000	\$ 300.00	
12/1/2000	\$ 2,500.00	
11/15/2001	\$ 2,500.00	Starry Night Concert Series
11/10/2003	\$ 3,000.00	Sisters Starry Night Concert Series fundraiser
1/24/2005	\$ 3,000.00	Sisters Starry Night Concert Series fundraiser

Approved: _____

Declined: _____



Deschutes County Discretionary Grant Narrative

June 8, 2016

1. Describe the applicant organization, including its purpose, leadership structure, and activities.

Seed to Table Project(S2T) began in 2013, as a project of the Sisters Science Club. Both operate under the 501(3)(c) umbrella of the Sisters Schools Foundation. The mission of the project is to increase the health and wellness of students and families, specifically decreasing obesity, in the Sisters community by providing equal access to nutritious foods and offering opportunities in garden-based wellness education.

The S2T project director and the S2T farm manager are paid employees, contracted through the Sisters Schools Foundation. The director reports to the Sisters Science Club Board of Directors on a monthly basis. During the 2014-15 school year, the project partnered with eight teachers to engage nearly 1,000 students in the project, which included regular classroom instruction in both wellness, science and the development of a garden and farm plot. All students had multiple on-site learning experiences and participated in all aspects of the food production work. In addition, hundreds of community volunteers contributed to the first year success. In October 2013, Sisters Science Club sponsored a community event focused on the Seed to Table project. Over 150 people attended, many of which committed to offer additional support of the project. Also, in 2013-14, Sisters School District submitted and received \$15,060 from ODE Farm to School program. So far, the Seed to Table project's management of the grant has helped secure over 7000 pounds of fresh produce for the Sisters Schools meal program and provided \$3,000 for Seed to Table operations.

From the S2T's farm plot, students and community members currently grow and donate 70 pounds of fresh produce per week to the community including the Sisters Kiwanis Food bank and the Sisters Bread of Life food bank. Each week throughout the Central Oregon growing season, 124 low-income families receive fresh garden produce. In

HOYB Partnership Pay: \$1,000

Matching Funds Secured Total: \$2,500

\$2,000 from Whole Kids Foundation

\$525 from Community Donations

Need:

\$2,500 to complete project

7. If the grant will support an ongoing activity, explain how it will be funded in the future.

This grant will be used for a one time expansion project. Seed to Table Project is following a five year strategic plan that has been set forth to develop project sustainability.

**Deschutes County
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Board Meeting Date: July 27, 2016

Organization: La Pine Lodgepole Dodgers

Project Name: Oregon State Snowmobile Association Convention

Description: Host the 2017 Oregon State Snowmobile Association convention in January 2017 in La Pine.

Project Period: 2/23/2016 through 1/15/2017

Amount of Request: \$1,000

Previous Grants:

4/7/14 \$ 1,000.00 OSSA State Convention

Approved: _____

Declined: _____



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**DESCHUTES COUNTY
DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION**

Today's Date: Project Name:

Project Beginning Date: Project End Date:

Amount Requested: Date Funds Needed:

Name of Applicant Organization:

Address:

City & Zip Code: Tax ID #:

Contact Name(s): Telephone #:

Fax #: Email Address:

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Proof of the applicant organization's non-profit status.

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The La Pine Lodgepole Dodgers is a non profit incorporated snowmobile club whose purpose is to promote, preserve, protect and enhance the sport of snowmobiling at the Newberry Caldera east of La Pine, Oregon.

Our leadership structure is comprised of a board of directors which includes a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, past president and four directors. All positions are elected by the general membership for two year terms. Our activities include dinner membership meetings September through April each year and we provide the trail grooming and maintenance of about 175 miles of trails in the Newberry Caldera system. We have organized weekly family rides during winter months with barbeques and also an annual poker run open to the public plus a Christmas party for members. The club supports the Candlelighters organization that benefits children with cancer with a \$500 donation plus volunteer help annually at the Candlelighter snow playday for the children. We sponsor a \$1,000 scholarship annually at the La Pine High School plus \$300 is donated to the La Pine Christmas basket and about \$100 worth of canned goods is donated each November to the La Pine Food Bank. We raise the funds needed for donations through the sale of our snowmobile trails map ads and occasional raffles.

The La Pine Lodgepole Dodgers will be hosting the 2017 Oregon State Snowmobile Association convention in La Pine in January, 2017, with people attending from all over the state and nearby other states.

The convention rides will start on Wednesday, January 11th and the convention will finish up on Sunday, January 15, 2017. The actual planning for this started in February, 2016.

The convention will impact the La Pine and Sunriver areas with lodging, food and general shopping with an anticipated attendance of between 225 – 275 attendees for the six day event.

Grant funds will be used to help with promotion expenses; hall rental and equipment; registration costs and refreshments.

We will receive some funds from OSSA and the La Pine Lodgepole Dodgers rental of vendor booths plus banquet receipts.

Anticipated expenses are the event center rental \$1,400.00; advertising and registration \$1,500.00 and banquet costs of \$4,000.00. Grant funds will be used to help offset the anticipated expenses.

**Deschutes County
Board of County Commissioners
Discretionary Grant Program**

Board Meeting Date: July 27, 2016

Organization: Tumalo Business Association

Project Name: Second Tumalo Monument

Description: Complete second Welcome to Tumalo Monument.

Project Period: 1/1/2016 through 12/31/2016

Amount of Request: \$2,500

Previous Grants:

7/6/2015 \$ 2,000.00 Tumalo Monument

Approved: _____

Declined: _____



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**DESCHUTES COUNTY
DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION**

Today's Date:	April 25, 2016	Project Name:	Second Tumalo Monument (sign)
Project Beginning Date:	January 2016	Project End Date:	December 2016
Amount Requested:	\$2,500	Date Funds Needed:	July 2016
Name of Applicant Organization:	Tumalo Business Association		
Address:	65765 Highway 20		
City & Zip Code:	Bend, OR 97703	Tax ID #:	47-1053441
Contact Name(s):	Mel Stout	Telephone #:	503-720-2756 (cell)
Fax #:	N/A	Email Address:	tumalomonuments@gmail.com

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April 25, 2015

Deschutes County Discretionary Grant Program Application Narrative Response to Application Questions:

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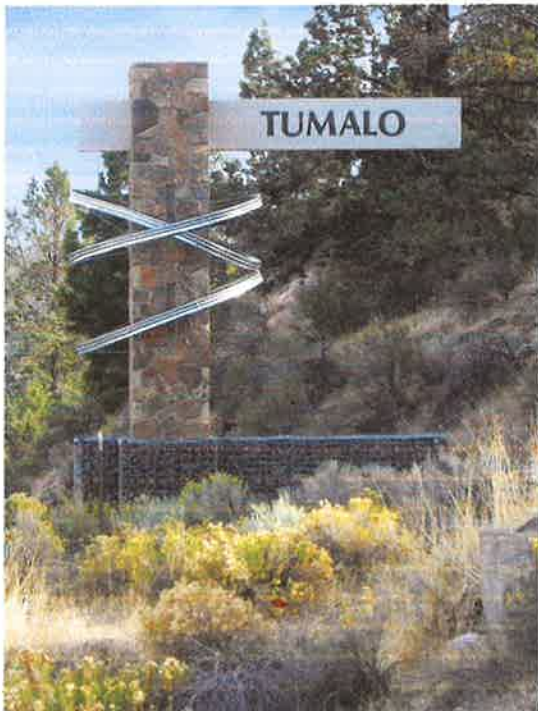
The Tumalo Business Association is a Mutual Benefit Corporation registered with the Oregon Secretary of State Corporation Division. Registry number is 1022303-98.

The purpose of the Tumalo Business Association (TBA) is to promote the economic vitality of Tumalo as a rural small-town, by enhancing essence of community and sense of place in collaboration with the surrounding rural community.

The TBA desires that this project will contribute to the 100th birthday celebration of Deschutes County. The monuments project will reflect **pride in one of the County's communities** while promoting continued progress and **economic growth**.

The TBA leadership structure is as follows: President, Mike Ludeman; Vice President, Glenn Willard; Treasurer, Mara Stein; and Acting Secretary, Mel Stout. Mel Stout also serves and the Welcome to Tumalo Monuments Development Project Manager.

The TBA is a project based organization and currently is focused on completing the Welcome to Tumalo Monuments project.



2. Describe the proposed project or activity.

With the first monument on Highway 20 in Tumalo is complete. See insert left. The TBA is determined to complete the second monument of the project. The TBA received a Discretionary Grant in the amount of \$2,000 toward the first monument in 2015. This grant application is requested to assist with our effort in completing the second monument on Highway 20 in Tumalo.

In 2008, Deschutes County rallied the community to begin the process of creating the Tumalo Community Plan 2010-2030. The resulting document states that foremost, the Tumalo community wants to maintain our unique rural character, while managing inevitable

growth and increased traffic. The plan suggests that community groups work to improve the livability, economy, accessibility and safety of Tumalo. The TBA accepted that challenge and is building Welcome to Tumalo Monuments which were designed and are being built to help fulfill those goals.

Planning work began in March 2012 when TBA members submitted a Citizen's Concept Plan to ODOT, proposing "Welcome to Tumalo" monument signs on Hwy 20 at each end of town. Mel Stout volunteered to lead in the design planning, and David Olsen and Katrina Langenderfer with Harper Hauf Peterson Righellis, Inc., volunteered to produce working documents and permits. The drawings are stamped by an Oregon registered structural engineer. Mel Stout volunteered to manage the joint effort with Deschutes County and ODOT. TBA has the County's approval and ODOT right-of-way permit in hand, and has one monument nearly built! The TBA has begun fund raising for building the second monument and hopes this grant application will be approved and help with that effort. The project is being built almost totally with donations and in-kind services!

3. Provide a timeline for completing the proposed project or activity.

The TBA plans to complete the second monument sign this year. It is located in Highway 20 ODOT right-of-way as the highway passes through Tumalo. ODOT has issued Deschutes County, the applicant, a permit (#10M38258), dated 1/21/2014 for approval to build the monuments. In turn, Deschutes County, with approval of ODOT, has authorized the TBA to be responsible for implementing construction and for maintenance of the monuments.

Construction of the first monument was completed in September 2015 and construction of the second monument is scheduled to be completed before September, 2016.



4. Explain how the proposed project or activity will positively impact the community.

Tumalo is a relatively low-income unincorporated town in Deschutes County, Oregon. Medium household income is approximately \$26,000 to \$28,000 as compared to approximately \$50,000 for Oregon statewide. Most of the housing stock is relatively old due to the lack of a public sanitary sewer system in Tumalo. Any new development in the town requires individual specialized waste treatment facilities. As the Tumalo Community at large may be considered more "well to do", the town has long suffering businesses and residents coming and going. This project will promote more stability and potential for economic improvement.

This project will benefit Tumalo in a number of ways including:

1. The monument signs provide for a **sense of community** and pride for improving **economic development**.
2. The monument signs will help create a visual gateway, sense of arrival, and signify to those traveling Highway 20 to take notice that there is **community and commerce** and encourage them to **stop and visit stores and businesses**.
3. The monument signs will help travelers recognize that they are passing through a community and encourage them to **slow down for the safety of themselves and local crossing traffic of Highway 20**.

5. Identify the specific communities or groups that will benefit.

Deschutes County designated Tumalo as a Rural Unincorporated Community in 1997. The community has approximately 372 residents in the town area with an expected 2030 population of roughly 600. These residents value sense of place and desire to maintain rural character offered by Tumalo as density and business and tourism activity increases. The monuments will create sense of place recognition and visually say, hey; there is something here, this is our community, slow down, take a look, come visit, shop, and enjoy. Medium household income in Tumalo is approximately \$26,000 to \$28,000. Figure 3 in the chart below compares Tumalo with other local communities. The chart is shown to substantiate income demographics. It was derived from Census Bureau statistics for the town of Tumalo. The benefit of the project will be to serve residents that live and work in the community through **enhancing sense of community and spurring economic vitality** for those residents and businesses.

Description:

Tumalo, OR Economy Data

In [Figure 2](#) we see the median household income, and it has \$36,917 median income which is less than most other places in the area. The place with the highest median income in the area is [Seventh Mountain](#) with an income of \$87,917, which is about twice as large. Comparing median income to the [United States](#) average of \$63,482, Tumalo is approximately half the size. Also, versus the state of [Oregon](#) average median income of \$50,521, Tumalo is approximately half the size.

The next section examines a variety of income statistics. In [Figure 3](#) we see that [Tumalo](#) has the largest proportion of median earnings of less than \$10,000 at 48.6% of the total.

Demographics Housing Economy Education Healthcare

▶ AdChoices ▶ Monthly Income ▶ Klamath Falls, Or ▶ The Economy ▶ US Economy

Choose Places to Show: Choose

Single Places Charts: Show Tumalo*

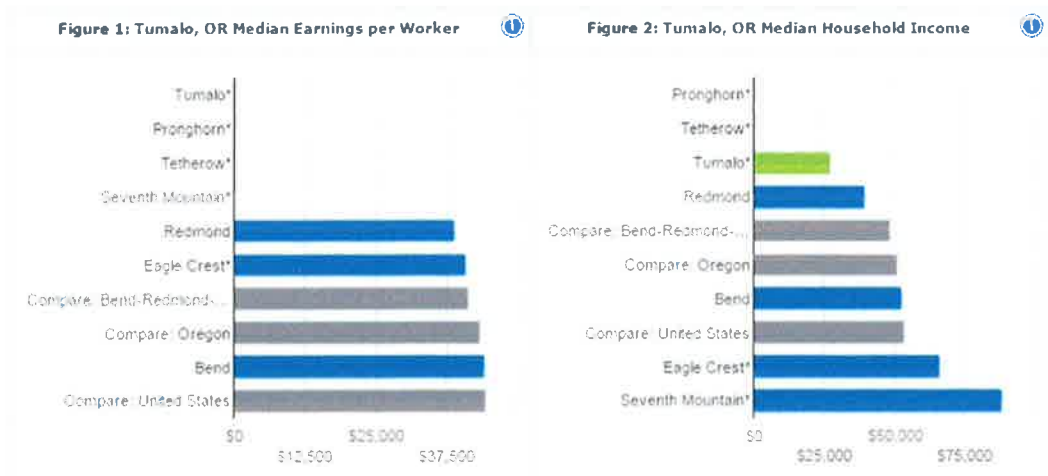


Figure 3: Tumalo, OR Earnings Distribution

6. Describe how grant funds will be used and include the source and amounts of matching funds or in-kind contributions, if any. Itemize anticipated expenditures.

The project consists of construction of the second monument located at the approach to Tumalo from the east to west. The western most monument was completed September 2015. This grant will help fund construction of the eastern most monument. At the first of this year TBA received a labor and materials estimate from Kevin Spencer Masonry for the second monument that totaled \$19,058. That included laying block for the column, installing the sign arm, face rock material and applying the face rock material.

The estimate did not include costs for gabion baskets for the base of the monument and weather capping of the column which amounts to an approximate additional \$4,000. **Total estimated cost for the second monument is \$23,000.** Note that the first monument is complete and associated costs have been paid.

In-kind services and materials provided for the second monument include CMU block provided by Willamette Graystone, concrete and rock provided by Knife River and wheel-line wheel art provided by Cascade Pump and Irrigation totaling an estimated value of \$7,500.

In addition TBA and community members will contribute project manage services and work parties for filling the rock gabions (work party for first monument shown below), installing landscape restoration, and site clean-up for an additional \$7,500 estimated value.



None of the items shown have been used as matching funds for other grants. **This grant request for \$2,500 would help build the second monument.**

7. If the grant will support an ongoing activity, explain how it will be funded in the future.

This grant would be applied for construction only. The TBA will be responsible for maintenance of the monuments and will provide such per agreement with Deschutes County with subsequent donations and volunteer efforts as required.

Attach proof of the applicant organization's non-profit status.

See below listed attachments:

- a. Oregon Corporation Division Registry for Tumalo Business Association #1022303-98.
- b. Notification of IRS Employer Identification Number 47-1053441.

Also enclosed are project authorization attachments:

- a. June 27, 2014 letter from Deschutes County Legal Counsel, David Doyle.
- b. July 1, 2014 maintenance agreement with Deschutes County for Tumalo Roadside Monument Signs.

**Deschutes County
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Discretionary Grant Program**

Board Meeting Date: July 27, 2016

Organization: La Pine Rodeo Association

Project Name: La Pine Rodeo and Lonestar Concert

Description: Annual Fourth of July La Pine Rodeo and concert with Nashville Recording Group, LONESTAR. Event was held during the weekend of July 4, 2016, but the Association is still seeking support to pay for expenses.

Project Period: 1/1/2016 through 12/31/2016

Amount of Request: \$2,500

Previous Grants:

9/2/2002	\$ 2,000.00	La Pine Frontier Days and Rodeo Association events
12/16/2002	\$ 8,900.00	La Pine Frontier Days and Rodeo Association events
5/17/2004	\$ 2,000.00	
10/13/2004	\$ 4,000.00	Event
5/24/2005	\$ 3,000.00	Rodeo
5/19/2006	\$ 3,500.00	Rodeo
3/20/2007	\$ 2,500.00	
1/28/2008	\$ 1,500.00	
8/18/2008	\$ 2,000.00	2009 La Pine Rodeo
2/8/2010	\$ 900.00	2010 La Pine Rodeo
1/19/2011	\$ 1,000.00	2011 La Pine Rodeo
3/25/2013	\$ 1,500.00	2013 La Pine Rodeo
4/7/2014	\$ 1,000.00	2014 La Pine Rodeo
6/3/2015	\$ 1,500.00	2015 Rodeo and Concert

Approved: _____

Declined: _____



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**DESCHUTES COUNTY
DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION**

Today's Date:	5/30/16	Project Name:	LaPine Rodeo + Lonestar Concert
Project Beginning Date:	1.1.2016	Project End Date:	12.31.2016
Amount Requested:	\$2,500.00	Date Funds Needed:	7.1.2016
Name of Applicant Organization:	LaPine Rodeo Association		
Address:	PO Box 674		
City & Zip Code:	LaPine 97739	Tax ID #:	54-2125846
Contact Name(s):	Desiree Russell	Telephone #:	(541)420-0462
Fax #:	n/a	Email Address:	DesireeRussell@og.com

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La Pine Rodeo Association
"The Greatest Little Rodeo in Oregon"

EIN #54-2125846

June 3, 2016

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Sent via e-mail: judithu@deschutes.org

Re: La Pine Rodeo Discretionary Grant Application

Dear Ms. Ure,

Please see our attached Discretionary Grant Program Application for the La Pine Rodeo Association. Our Rodeo will take place July 2-4, 2016 and we are also bringing Nashville Recording Group, LONESTAR, to the rodeo grounds for a concert on July 1st. We appreciate the commissioners' continued generous support in the growth of the La Pine Rodeo.

We are requesting funds up to \$2,500.00 to match a very generous sponsorship received from the City of La Pine to help with the concert expenses for 2016. We had a very successful year in 2015 with our 1st Concert, Buck n' Boom & 13th annual NPRA Rodeo and are again hoping to bring visitors from all over the Pacific Northwest to Central Oregon for the 4th of July weekend. The "Greatest Little Rodeo in Oregon" just keeps continuing to grow each year.

We've continued our Play Day series for 2016 and had a great turn-out for our first event in May. We also loaned our facility to Deschutes County 4-H for their annual Spring Horse Show. In conjunction with the Frontier Days celebrations, La Pine is becoming the place to be over the 4th of July weekend. Our entire board is a team that is very excited and committed to putting on events that continue to bring visitors to Central Oregon to support our community. I have enclosed anticipated costs for the concert this year.

If you have any questions, please call or e-mail me.

Sincerely,

Desiree Russell,

Treasurer

Cell: (541) 420-0462

E-mail: desireerussell@q.com

Enclosures

**2016 LA PINE RODEO - Anticipated Concert Expenses
Item #6**

Item	Cost
LONESTAR Contract	\$ 30,000.00
(2) buses	donated
(10) motel rooms	donated
tents for meet and greet	donated
transportation	donated
laborers, stage hands, runners	volunteers
meals	\$ 400.00
security	\$ 300.00
Advertising	
KSJJ Radio Ads	\$ 2,000.00
K Falls Radio Ad	\$ 200.00
Zolo Media Commercial	\$ 7,500.00
Posters	\$ 200.00
The Competitor Ad	\$ 250.00
All Breed Horse Source Ad	\$ 300.00
WEB SITE	
Little d Technology	\$ 100.00
TICKETS	
bendticket.com	\$ 100.00
Stage & Equipment Rental	
Suntrack	\$ 12,100.00
TOTAL ANTICIPATED EXPENDITURES: \$ 53,450.00	

**Deschutes County
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Discretionary Grant Program**

Board Meeting Date: July 27, 2016

Organization: DAWNS House

Project Name: DAWNS House

Description: Create an emergency fund to assist clients of DAWNS (Directly Assisting Women Newly Sober) House who are in need of essential toiletries and clothing. Dawns House is a sober housing option designed to provide aid and relief to displaced, recovering addicts and alcoholics in Deschutes County.

Project Period: 9/1/2016 through 8/31/2017

Amount of Request: \$1,500

Previous Grants: None recorded.

Approved: _____

Declined: _____



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DESCHUTES COUNTY DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

Today's Date:	6/24/16	Project Name:	Dawns House
Project Beginning Date:	Sept 1, 2016	Project End Date:	August 31, 2017
Amount Requested:	\$1500	Date Funds Needed:	Sept 1, 2016
Name of Applicant Organization:	Dawns House		
Address:	20813 Liberty Lane		
City & Zip Code:	Bend, OR 97701	Tax ID #:	47-2553213
Contact Name(s):	Dawn Holland	Telephone #:	541-410-6065
Fax #:		Email Address:	homeofanewdawn@gmail.com

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DAWNS House
Proposal to the Deschutes County Commissioners
Discretionary Fund
June 2016

I. Project Summary

DAWNS House, Directly Assisting Women Newly Sober, is a sober housing option designed to provide aid and relief to displaced, recovering addicts and alcoholics in Deschutes County through structured, guided, sober transitional housing. The mission of Dawns House is to create a hands-on, nurturing, structured environment for women directly out of treatment or prison. Safe housing is a necessity for some women to gain the life skills needed to maintain long-term sobriety and reduce criminality. Founded in November 2014, Dawns House helps women in Deschutes County to stay sober and connect with necessary resources already established in their community.

Since its opening to clients in May, 2015, Dawns House has housed 37 women, assisting them in finding employment and seeking a transition to permanent housing, helping to reduce criminal recidivism, and aiding in maintaining sober living. Women are referred to Dawns House by a broad network of community partners within Central Oregon and across the state, including BestCare, Pheifer, Serenity, and Wilderness Treatment Programs, the Bethlehem Inn and other homeless services providers, Deschutes County Human Services and Family Drug Court, and multi-county Parole and Probation programs, including Coffee Creek Penitentiary. The need is great: Dawns House receives 10-20 requests per month from these and other community partners, for an average of only 1-2 beds which become available monthly. The program has already achieved a measurable impact, with nearly 70% of participants maintaining sobriety from the time since they entered Dawns House (May 1, 2015 or later) until the time of this grant submission, compared to typical rates of 20% retained sobriety for untreated individuals and 40% for individuals directly out of treatment¹

In just one year, Dawns House has established itself as a program with a demonstrated impact for its participants and through them, their families and community. With its success and stability established, the program now seeks to grow by addressing specific needs. Dawns House respectfully requests a grant of \$1,500 to create an emergency fund for new residents in need of essential toiletries and clothing during the coming year.

II. Dawns House – History, Demand, Impact

Dawns House was founded in November 2014 by Dawn Marie Holland, an experienced and active advocate within Central Oregon's addiction treatment and recovery community, who recognized the substantive need for structured, sober transitional living for women in Central Oregon. With support from the Bethlehem Inn, Family Drug Court, and parole and probation programs of Deschutes County and Coffee Creek Penitentiary, Dawns House opened in May 2015, in a renovated residential property in North Bend's Boyd Acres. The house includes 8 permanent beds, and one emergency or 'e-bed', with shared common living areas, communal chores, and clear expectations of personal behavior for each resident.

¹ Moos, R. and B. Moos. "Rates and predictors of relapse after natural and treated remission from alcohol use disorders." February, 2006. *Addiction*. 101(2), 212-222. Accessed <http://europepmc.org/articles/PMC1976118?jsessionid=7k6hBAUE4X9DDYar0YGH.0> on 12/15/15

Although Central Oregon offers 8 transitional houses for men, only two other women's facilities exist in Central Oregon, offering only 10 beds. Best Care treatment center provides a 4-bed structured inpatient facility, and Oxford House offers 6 beds in a cooperative living environment without an on-site director or other external accountability structures. Other short-term housing options, such as the Bethlehem Inn, are limited and serve a general population without any structures to help residents manage or prevent substance use.

In its first year of operation, Dawns House has already demonstrated significant impact: 96% of residents have found employment of 25 hours weekly or more (or enrolled in full-time school, or had existing Social Security benefits); 66% of participants (including women who have transitioned to permanent living) have maintained sobriety, with an additional 7% whose status is not known. No residents have returned to jail. Only 9 known participants out of 37, or 24%, have suffered a relapse in substance use during their time in the house, a figure significantly lower than the overall relapse rate of 80% for all users, and 40% for users who transitioned through a treatment environment². With substantial support from local, tri-county, and state agencies who support women in treatment, Dawns House has established itself as a reliable and impactful program.

III. Statement of Need

Addiction leads to significant and well-documented impacts for an individual and her family and community. Addiction is linked to criminal behavior³, to homelessness⁴; to job loss and unemployment⁵; and fractures families and communities as addicts struggle to maintain healthy relationships and commitments⁶. As one of few programs serving women in Central Oregon, Dawns House serves a significant need to aid women, their families, and their communities in the region and the state. By helping women to find and maintain sobriety, Dawns House reduces homelessness and criminal behavior; aids women in finding employment; and strengthens parenting and relationships, which lead to healthier children and families.

Substance users in recovery often struggle to find housing, much less sober or 'safe' housing, where they will not be in contact with other users, drugs, or alcohol. In Central Oregon in 2014, 283 individuals identified drug and alcohol dependence as the reason for their homelessness⁷. Nearly 100% of these individuals identified a need for safe, drug and alcohol-free housing in order to pursue and maintain sobriety⁸, a request which mirrors ample evidence supporting the positive impact of sober housing on treating addiction and homelessness⁹. Since recovering addicts are often also serving probation, parole, or other court-ordered sentences tied to criminal offenses, treatment and safe housing can also make the difference between sober and criminal-free behavior, and a return to prison¹⁰. Of

² *ibid*, citing a meta-analysis of alcoholism treatment outcome studies.

³ e.g. Kopak, A.M. et al. "The connection between substance dependence, offence type, and offence severity." 2014. *Journal of Drug Issues*. 44(3), 291-307.

⁴ Didenko, E. and Pankratz, N. 2007. "Substance Use: Pathways to homelessness? Or a way of adapting to street life?" *Visions: BC's Mental Health and Addictions Journal*, 4(1), 9-10. Available from <http://www.heretohelp.bc.ca/>. This and other citations <http://www.nationalhomeless.org/factsheets/addiction.pdf> Accessed 12/15/15.

⁵ E.g. Mark, T. G. Woody, et al. "The economic costs of heroin addiction in the United States." 2001. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*. 61(2) pp.195-206.

⁶ E.g. Shoni Davis. "Chemical dependency in women: A description of its effects and outcome on adequate parenting." 1990. *Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment*. 7(4), 225-232.

⁷ 2014 Point in Time Homeless Count Data. Central Oregon Homeless Leadership Coalition. Available from http://cohomeless.org/homeless_count_2014.html. Accessed 12/15/15.

⁸ *ibid*.

⁹ National Mental Health Association. "Ending Homelessness for People With Mental Illnesses and Co-Occurring Disorders." Apr. 2006. Available from <http://www.nmha.org>.

¹⁰ e.g. Gossop, M. et al. "Reductions in acquisitive crime and drug use after treatment of addiction problems: 1-year follow-up outcomes." 2000. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*. 58 (1-2), 165-172.

equal importance, sober housing gives recovering users a solid foundation for seeking and maintaining employment, in order to regain custody of children, return to families, and find permanent housing¹¹.

Since its opening, Dawns House has served women from particularly diverse, high-need, and marginalized communities within Central Oregon. Of its 37 participants to date, 42% are African-American, Hispanic, or Multi-racial; 80% are mothers to children under age 18, with 56% mothers of children under age 10. All residents were homeless or did not have access to safe, substance-free homes prior to Dawns House, and 93% of residents were unemployed when they moved into the house. 100% of Dawns House clients live at or below the poverty level according to HUD standards for Oregon. By helping women from high-poverty, single-parent and racial minority families, Dawns House addresses the multiple risk factors (including poverty, race, and single parent status) which make it even more difficult to maintain sobriety, employment, and permanent housing.

As described above, there is substantial demand for Dawns House. Since its opening in May, 2015, referring agencies made over 350 inquires and/or applications for the program's 8 rotating/rolling beds, an average of 20-30 inquiries monthly for the 1-2 beds which typically become open. The high demand for Dawns House speaks to the significant community need for sober transitional housing for services, and to the value which Dawns House has already provided.

IV. Program Objectives and Methods

Program Philosophy

Dawns House was created specifically to serve women in recovery through a structured, sober living program with an on-site director. Ample research shows the impact of 12-step recovery programs and sober living on successful maintenance of sobriety. According to a recent Brown University study, residents in sober living houses (SLH's) made significant improvements in a variety of key areas, including alcohol and drug use, employment, severity of psychiatric issues, and arrests. Further, participation in 12-step programs predicted fewer future arrests, as well as lower future incidence of drug and alcohol use¹².

Program Foundations

To live at Dawns House, a woman must be between the ages of 18-65, have been recently released from either jail or treatment, be in need of safe housing, and struggle with addiction issues. No children are allowed to live in the home, in order to help the women to focus solely on their recovery and build stronger relationships in the community. There is a live-in house monitor who also serves as the program director of the home. All women are selected through an interview process prior to release from jail or a treatment facility; admission is based on each woman's need, willingness, and compatibility with the home dynamics. As described above, women are referred to Dawns House by community partners from Central Oregon and across the state. *See attached list of partners and letters of support.*

Recovery and Education

Recovery at Dawns House includes specific expectations for participation in recovery supports and for seeking and maintaining employment, volunteer work, and formal and informal education. While living in the home, each woman is required to create a strong living recovery plan which includes 12-step meetings, sponsors, and education on nutrition, life skills, and setting goals for the future. Each woman is required to volunteer in the community for 2 hours per week, and each is required to find

¹¹ E.g. Polcin, D., Ed.D. et al. "Sober living houses for alcohol and drug dependence: 18-month outcomes." June. 2010. *Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment*. 38(4) 356-365.

¹² "Sober living houses associated with good outcomes for drug and alcohol dependence." 2010. *DATA: The Brown University Digest of Addiction Theory and Application*. 29(7), 5-6.

employment of 25 hours weekly (or enrolled in full-time school) within 30 days of joining the house. As needed, each woman will be given coaching to help develop skills to enhance employment opportunities, including resume writing, college enrollment assistance, obtaining a GED, or creative career advising. The women who need parenting classes are referred to the appropriate resources within the community. While living in the house, each woman commits to shared responsibilities and to an accountability plan, which she maintains with the support of her housemates and the live-in program director.

Accountability in Community

Each woman agrees to work a 12-step program with an off-site sponsor, and to maintain requirements of her parole, probation, or any other court-ordered responsibilities. In addition, Dawns House residents agree to a code of clear community expectations, including work requirements, curfew hours and limited visitation, and urine analysis (UA) by request of the program director or any other resident. Residents who violate aspects of this agreement are subject to probation, and may be required to collect belongings and leave immediately if their behavior endangers other residents' right to a safe and sober living environment.

Women's, Family, and Child Welfare

All of the women who have participated in Dawns House are parents, with over 80% parents of minor children under 18 years of age and 56% parents of children 10 years old or younger. The program has specific structures which aid women in maintaining and rebuilding their relationships with children and family. The live-in director meets with residents' families and children as needed, in order to support and supervise increasing contact between residents and their partners and children. Sundays are designated as a day for children to visit, often with structured supervision. Through these and other critical interventions to help women strengthen relationships with often-estranged families, Dawns House creates a critical foundation for children's healthy growth and development. These interventions extend far beyond Dawns House residents by helping them to be supportive and healthy parents and partners in their families and relationships.

Building Independence, Self-Sustaining

Dawns House works to provide aid to as many women as possible. The program was designed to be self-sustaining, with each woman contributing \$500 per month towards her room and board and with the live-in director currently donating her entire salary in-kind. As it enters its second year, Dawns House targets a needed expansion by funding transition counseling services, providing occasional transportation for residents, and helping each resident to save funds for her transition expenses. Ultimately, this expansion supports the program's general operations, by enabling Dawns House to open beds sooner and to offer them for service to other women in need.

V. Priority Goal – Emergency Fund

100% of Dawns House residents did not have safe, sober housing when they began living in the house; 100% were living at or below the poverty line, and most had limited or no resources, including basic essentials such as clothing, toothpaste, deodorant, or other toiletries. Dawns House currently operates on a very limited budget, requiring all women to contribute to their monthly rental and utilities costs, and in which 100% of women must obtain employment within 30 days. **With support from the Deschutes County Commissioners, Dawns House seeks \$1,500 to create an emergency fund which will be used to purchase needed essentials for new residents within their first 30 days in the house, until they are able to find employment and begin to be self-supporting again.**

Overall outcomes and evaluation:

a. Ensure that 100% of Dawns House residents obtain needed, basic items including a change of clothing, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, and other toiletries, upon entry into the house.

- b. Support 100% of new residents in focusing on transitioning into the house, obtaining employment, and creating basic life routines in order to continue maintaining their sobriety.
- c. Foster healthier families and children for the women who are program participants and alumnae.

VI. Evaluation

In addition to the specific outcome measures listed above, Dawns House uses qualitative and quantitative measurement tools to evaluate the success of its program. Formal assessments include residents' participation in recovery/12-step programs; residents seeking, obtaining, and maintaining required employment; graduating to permanent housing or returning to families; assuming or regaining custody of dependent children; and meeting all parole or probation requirements.

Dawns House also measures its program by the substantial demand for its services from a diversity of community partners, as well as its graduates' informal reporting on their continued employment, housing, and sobriety following their transition from the program. *See list of referring partners.*

VII. Project Duration, Timelines, and Staffing

This project will extend throughout the current and upcoming calendar years, with ongoing review of priority objectives as needed.

Dawn Marie Holland is Founding Executive Director of Dawns House. An active leader in the 12-step and recovery communities, Dawn has an AA in Business Administration from Central Oregon Community College, and is continuing her education in Psychology and Addiction Studies. Dawn serves as In-House Residential Director of Dawns House.

The founding board of Dawns House is an active and supportive group of experts in mental health, medicine, and law, with demonstrated commitment to helping women in recovery. Key board members include a physician, lawyer, health and poverty professional, and addiction treatment counselor, who contribute significant time, resources, and efforts to the business operation of the organization. *See attached board list for more information. The board meets monthly, and all members contribute money and regular volunteer hours.*

VIII. Cost and Financing

Total planned expenses for Dawns House from May 1, 2016 to April 30, 2017 are \$51,598, which includes rent, utilities, food, taxes, insurance, facilities costs and other program expenses. Dawns House funding comes primarily from fees for service, with the rest from donations, including substantial volunteer hours. *Please see attached budget précis for FY16 for more information. An I-990 is in process and will be forwarded as soon as it is available.*

IV. Conclusion

In its first year, Dawns House has already established a strong record of success in supporting women in maintaining sobriety through supportive and structured cooperative living. A grant from the Deschutes County Commissioners will ensure that Dawns House continues to provide critical services as it grows in its capacity to benefit Central Oregon's women, families, and community.



Dawns House

**Support Revenue & Expenses
May 1, 2016-April 30, 2017**

**projected, draft*

	2016
	<i>(projected)</i>
Income	
Billable Expense Income	\$ -
Individual Contributions (pledged to date)	\$ 1,000.00
Foundation Donations (pledged to date)	\$ 600.00
Non-Profit Income (Rent: Fees for Service, @\$600 first month, \$500 add'l months)	
Best Care Treatment Centers	\$ 2,100.00
Dept Human Services of Deschutes Cty	\$ 2,000.00
Family Drug Court of Deschutes Cty	\$ 2,500.00
Parole and Probation of Oregon	\$ 2,000.00
Pheifer Treatment Centers	\$ 1,500.00
Self-pay	\$ 40,394.20
Total Non-Profit Income	\$ 50,494.20
Total Support and Revenue	\$ 52,094.20
Expenses	
Advertising	\$ 450.00
Bank Charges	\$ 130.29
Office Expenses	\$ 850.00
Other General and Admin Expenses	\$ 265.15
Legal & Professional Fees	\$ 500.00
Total Administration	\$ 2,195.43
Fundraising	\$ 1,500.00
Promotional	\$ 247.71
Total Development	\$ 1,747.71
Insurance - Liability	\$ 2,274.72
Taxes & Licenses	\$ 250.00
Total Insurance and Taxes	\$ 2,524.72
Rent or Lease	\$ 27,000.00
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 2,800.00
Appliances, Housewares	\$ 2,500.00
Utilities (average \$550/mo)	\$ 6,600.00
Supplies and Food (avg \$450/mo)	\$ 5,400.00
Total Housing	\$ 44,300.00
Meals and Entertainment	\$ 807.39
Travel Meals	\$ 23.14
Total Transportation and Program	\$ 830.54
Total Expenses	\$ 51,598.41
Excess (Deficiency) of Support and Revenue Over Expenses	\$ 495.79



D.A.W.N.S HOUSE

Directly Assisting Women Newly Sober
20813 Liberty Lane
Bend, OR 97701

Key Staff and Board Biographies

Dawn Holland, Founder and Director

Dawn is the live-in house director and founder of DAWNS House (Directly Assisting Women Newly Sober). Dawn has an AA in Business Administration/Hospitality Management from COCC, (Central Oregon Community College) and is continuing her education in Psychology /Addiction Studies. Dawn has been an active member of the 12-step community for 15 years, with volunteer service including the crisis hotline, jails, sponsoring and housing struggling addicts and alcoholics. Contact: homeofanewdawn@gmail.com, 541-410-6065

Doug Macbeth – Board President

Doug is Board President and legal adviser for Dawn's House. An attorney for over 30 years, he has worked with many non-profits in his career, which focuses on advising new enterprises. An active member of the recovery community in Bend, he handles business and compliance matters for Dawn's House. Doug has a BA from the University of Virginia and a JD from Dickinson School of Law. Contact: dbmacbeth@gmail.com, [610-864-1976](tel:610-864-1976)

Kara Kelly – Board Secretary and Mental Health Consultant

Kara is a Board Certified Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner with a Master of Science in Nursing and Post-Masters Certificate in Addiction. Kara serves as Board Secretary and Mental Health Consultant for Dawns House. As Mental Health Consultant, she assists in the detection of “at risk” residents and development of plans to keep the environment healthy and safe. Kara is a nationally Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor in private practice. Kara works as a volunteer advocate for Saving Grace and is part of the medical team for Central Oregon Veterans Ranch (COVR). Contact: kelly4good@live.com, [949-274-2881](tel:949-274-2881)

Sue Solitz – Board Treasurer

Sue has worked for over 35 years in the health care arena. She was instrumental in establishing a free care service at Sacred Heart Hospital in Eugene and Saint Charles Medical Center in Bend. These programs allowed indigent patients to receive medical care at no charge to them. Since retirement, she has volunteered at the Family Kitchen twice weekly & served on their board of directors for two years. Sue is very active in Alcoholics Anonymous & presently sponsors 3 women at Dawns House working the 12 step program. For the last 3 years she has volunteered to take the AA message into the Deschutes County Jail system. Contact: solitz@msn.com, [541-610-8448](tel:541-610-8448)

Kent Pressman – Board Member

Kent is a retired emergency physician from Idaho. He attended the University of Oregon and earned his MD from Oregon Health Sciences University medical school. Kent helped start the Wood River Land Trust in Hailey, Idaho and was their president for over 10 years. He also was a board member and the president of the Building Materials Thrift Store for a number of years. While practicing emergency medicine in Twin Falls, Idaho for 35 years, he was on many boards, committees and organizations. Kent joined the board of Dawns House to support its work on behalf of women’s mental health and addiction. Contact: kentpressman@gmail.com, [208-720-7296](tel:208-720-7296)

Jennifer Woolley—Board Member

Jennifer has worked in the nonprofit sector for 20 years and has a broad range of experience, including advocacy, policy, stakeholder relations, financial management, and administration. Jennifer is currently an independent consultant focused on non-profit event management, advocacy and coalition building. Most recently her work has been in the area of global public health. Prior to that, she worked for many years on women’s empowerment and advancement, which continues to be her passion. Jennifer has a BA from Cornell College and an MSW and Certificate in Human Services Management from Boston University. Contact: jennwoolley@gmail.com; [541-588-2294](tel:541-588-2294)

Michelle Mahony- Board Member

Michelle is a seasoned financial professional who currently serves as Director of Financial Performance for Cascadian Group, LLC in Bend. Michelle led internal consulting and audit functions for OpenTable through its IPO and subsequent acquisition by Priceline Group. She has extensive experience instilling financial rigor in organizations ranging from Dolby Laboratories to Providian Financial (which sold to Washington Mutual for \$6.45B). Her early career included experience as a Sr. Associate with PwC consulting, encompassing business process improvement, information technology audits, and key control reviews. She graduated from Pennsylvania’s private Bucknell University, with a Bachelor’s degree in Business Administration. Contact: michelle.r.mahony@gmail.com; [415-385-9407](tel:415-385-9407)

**Deschutes County
Board of County Commissioners
Discretionary Grant Program**

Board Meeting Date: July 27, 2016

Organization: John Tuck Elementary School

Project Name: John Tuck Elementary Robotics

Description: Start a FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Lego League Robotics Team for youth ages 9 to 14. Participants will 1) research and solve a real-world problem based on the challenge them; 2) present their research and solutions; and 3) build an autonomous robot using engineering concepts.

Project Period: 9/2016 - ongoing

Amount of Request: \$2,000

Previous Grants: None recorded.

Approved: _____

Declined: _____



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**DESCHUTES COUNTY
DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION**

Today's Date:	06/29/16	Project Name:	John Tuck Elementary Robotics
Project Beginning Date:	September 2016	Project End Date:	continuous
Amount Requested:	\$2000.00	Date Funds Needed:	October 2016
Name of Applicant Organization:	John Tuck Elementary School (Redmond School Dist)		
Address:	John Tuck: 209 NW 10th St (Redmond School Dist 145 SE Salmon Ave)		
City & Zip Code:	Redmond 97756	Tax ID #:	93-6000392
Contact Name(s):	Dusty Porter	Telephone #:	541-923-4884/541-848-0686
Fax #:	541-923-4883	Email Address:	dusty.porter@redmondschools.org

On a separate sheet(s), please briefly answer the following questions:

1. Describe the applicant organization, including its purpose, leadership structure, and activities.
2. Describe the proposed project or activity.
3. Provide a timeline for completing the proposed project or activity.
4. Explain how the proposed project or activity will positively impact the community.
5. Identify the specific communities or groups that will benefit.
6. Describe how grant funds will be used and include the source and amounts of matching funds or in-kind contributions, if any. Itemize anticipated expenditures*.
7. If the grant will support an ongoing activity, explain how it will be funded in the future.

Attach:

Proof of the applicant organization's non-profit status.

* Applicant may be contacted during the review process and asked to provide a complete line item budget.

APPLICATION FORM ADDENDUM:

If Mr. Porter is unavailable since it is summer break, please contact Elizabeth Oliver, current school year contact for robotics team grant applications.
541-548-5594, oliverem@me.com
Thank you!

PROOF OF APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY:

Applicant is John Tuck Elementary School, part of the Redmond School District which is a publicly funded agency that serves populations within Deschutes County. Please see attached letter.

RESPONSES TO APPLICATION QUESTIONS:

1. Describe the applicant organization, including its purpose, leadership structure, and activities.

John Tuck Elementary School is a part of the Redmond School District (2J)/High Desert ESD in Redmond, OR. As an elementary school in the Redmond School District, John Tuck strives to provide a variety of educational options to meet its diverse students' and community's needs. The District offers five K-5 elementary schools, two K-8 community schools, two middle schools, two high schools, one educational center, a District sponsored charter school and a K-12 virtual program for all students.

John Tuck Elementary is staffed with a principal, administrative staff and certified and classified staff providing support in the areas of counseling, psychology, speech pathology, FAN advocacy and overall educational instruction.

2. Describe the proposed project or activity.

John Tuck Elementary is seeking funds for starting a FIRST Lego League (FLL, FIRST is *For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology*) Robotics Team, newly starting in September, 2016. FLL is an exciting and fun international robotics program that ignites an enthusiasm for discovery, science, and technology in kids ages 9 to 14. Each year FLL teams embark on an adventurous challenge based on current, real-world issues. Guided by a team coach and assisted by mentors, the kids will: (1) research and solve a real-world problem based on the challenge theme; (2) present their research and solutions; and (3) build an autonomous robot using engineering concepts.

3. Provide a timeline for completing the proposed project or activity.

Summer 2016: coach(es) attend ORTOP FLL Adult Training Workshops in Bend, OR.
By mid-September, 2016: team is nationally registered, robots/challenge kits ordered.
Late September, 2016: finalize team members.
October, 2016: sign up for Oregon FLL Qualifying Tournament.

September-December, 2016: team meets to design, build robot and create their Animal Allies Project and work on FLL Core Values. Team will meet a minimum of once a week.

Early December, 2016: team participates in Qualifying Tournament in Bend, OR.

January – February, 2017: team potentially competes in state tournament depending on outcome of Qualifying Tournament. Team could move forward from state level depending on that tournament's outcome.

February -June, 2017: John Tuck students that are not a part of the team have opportunities for class activities using the school's robotics kits.

4. Explain how the proposed project or activity will positively impact the community.

Having this program at John Tuck Elementary will inspire our kids to get excited about engineering and technology and be able to realize and gain confidence in their abilities in these fields at a young age. We hope that they will approach STEM subjects in school with this same curiosity and confidence, and then be more likely to choose science and math classes in high school, which will set them up for STEM majors in college, and potentially STEM careers. No matter what direction their careers go, they will learn universal skills in teamwork, project management, public speaking, problem solving and critical thinking. We also hope that they will become a visible example to other youth in our school and community that science can be rigorous while at the same time, fun and rewarding.

5. Identify the specific communities or groups that will benefit.

In addition to inviting all 4th and 5th graders to apply to be on the team, we will also target historically underserved students which may include girls, students of color, students experiencing poverty, students with disabilities, and English Learners (EL). Although 4th and 5th graders are the only grade levels eligible to be on a FLL team, by having a team in the school we will be exposing all of our students to this opportunity.

6. Describe how grant funds will be used and include the source and amounts of matching funds or in-kind contributions, if any. Itemize anticipated expenditures*.

Deschutes County Discretionary Grant funds would primarily be used to purchase equipment and challenge supplies, pay for all registration and qualifying tournament fees and other costs anticipated as outlined below.

Expenditure Itemization for potential Deschutes County Discretionary Grant award

National Team Registration	\$225.00
Tournament Registration Fee - Oregon FLL Qualifying Tournament	\$100.00
Lego Mindstorms EV3 Robot Kit (2)	\$1080.00
Annual FLL Challenge Kit	\$83.00
Additional Sensors	\$50.00
Materials for Annual Project/Cores Value Boards	\$50.00
Materials to build a FLL regulation competition table	\$75.00
Laptop (new or used)	\$300.00
Team T-shirts	\$37.00
TOTAL	\$2000.00

The only other potential funds could come from the Oregon Department of Education if John Tuck Elementary is selected as one of the recipients of the Oregon FIRST Robotics Grant. If selected, the award is \$1000 and allowable uses of those funds include:

- Stipend for a designated lead coach/mentor
- *FIRST* registration fees for the 2016-2017 academic year
- Equipment*
- Materials
- Travel to *FIRST* competitions
- Other costs associated with direct participation in a *FIRST* program

* Priority expense category to buy 2 more Lego Mindstorms EV3 Robot Kits. This would not only benefit the team but would allow a broader use of the equipment by the school staff and students once the competitive season ends. و وؤؤؤ

7. If the grant will support an ongoing activity, explain how it will be funded in the future.

FLL has an annual challenge and robotics can be utilized in the school overall, so this project would be continuous. There are some smaller FIRST awards given annually for teams that are already established and we would seek to receive those awards. To sustain the team and funds, we have discussed targeting private companies in our community to seek out donations and/or sponsorships. We would also use fundraising efforts utilizing John TUCK PTO and our team to create opportunities to raise funds (for example, local pizza company card sales, bottle collections, car wash, etc.).

**Deschutes County
Board of County Commissioners
Discretionary Grant Program**

Board Meeting Date: July 27, 2016

Organization: Kids in the Game

Project Name: Central Oregon Pass Program

Description: Provide financial assistance through online pass program to help youth most in need of support gain access to structured physical activities before, during, and after school. Passes may be applied for up to four times per year to help pay required registration fees for activities already available in the community.

Project Period: 1/1/2016 through 12/31/2016

Amount of Request: \$1,000

Previous Grants: None recorded.

Approved: _____

Declined: _____



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DESCHUTES COUNTY DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

Today's Date:	12/2/2015	Project Name:	Central Oregon Pass Program
Project Beginning Date:	1/1/2016	Project End Date:	12/31/2016
Amount Requested:	\$1,000	Date Funds Needed:	2/1/2016
Name of Applicant Organization:	KIDS in the GAME		
Address:	875 SE 3rd St. Suite 240		
City & Zip Code:	Bend, OR 97702	Tax ID #:	27-1723872
Contact Name(s):	Eric Haynie	Telephone #:	619-964-8949
Fax #:	541-639-3645	Email Address:	eric@kidsinthegame.org

On a separate sheet(s), please briefly answer the following questions:

1. Describe the applicant organization, including its purpose, leadership structure, and activities.
2. Describe the proposed project or activity.
3. Provide a timeline for completing the proposed project or activity.
4. Explain how the proposed project or activity will positively impact the community.
5. Identify the specific communities or groups that will benefit.
6. Describe how grant funds will be used and include the source and amounts of matching funds or in-kind contributions, if any. Itemize anticipated expenditures*.
7. If the grant will support an ongoing activity, explain how it will be funded in the future.

Attach:

Proof of the applicant organization's non-profit status.

* Applicant may be contacted during the review process and asked to provide a complete line item budget.

Deschutes County Discretionary Grant Application – KIDS in the GAME

1. Describe the applicant organization, including its purpose, leadership structure, and activities.

KIDS In The GAME is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization focused on inspiring kids to thrive in life through sports. To that end, we provide financial assistance to youth of all abilities to allow them to gain access to structured physical activity before, during and after school. In cooperation with our funding and program partners, we raise awareness of the importance of athletics in developing future leaders, through the resulting skills and values that easily transfer from the playing fields to the classroom, workplace, and community. Together, we envision a healthier, more active generation: one kid, one community at a time.

We all know that active kids are healthy kids yet, today, so many children grow up with limited access to physical activity due to cuts in PE and the prohibitive costs of the current pay-to-play system. Our mission is to increase access to developmentally appropriate activity for all kids through partnering with communities and businesses across the country, starting here in Central Oregon.

KIDS in the GAME is a lean organization, consisting of two office staff, an Executive Director, six board members, and several advisors and partners, which allows us to focus the vast majority of our funds on the communities we serve. Our Executive Director, Suzie Nixon, interacts with our board of directors, advisors and partners on a weekly basis to determine and operationalize strategies for sustaining and growing our two programs across the country. Board members meet together quarterly to review current financial and operational activities and discuss the strategic direction of the organization and partnerships.

2. Describe the proposed project or activity.

In September of 2014, we redesigned our process for introducing more kids to after school sports. Instead of providing scholarship funds to select sports-based organizations, we created an online system to support kids directly in a wide variety of validated activities of their choice. Our new Pass Program encourages all kids to engage in physical activity by locating the kids most in need of support, due to financial need and sedentary lifestyles. Identified youth and their families or caretakers are encouraged to apply online for funds, up to four times per year to help pay required registration fees for activities already available in their communities.

In addition to the basic application form, a simple reference form is required from a third party, verifying the socioeconomic standing of the kid. Upon approval, a check written to the organization offering the activity is sent to the residence of the qualifying kid, allowing him/her to present the funds at time of registration. These funds cover a portion of a registration fee, with the maximum Pass amount being \$50. In addition to supporting kids towards increased physical literacy, local organizations and leagues are supported through increased enrollment. And communities, in turn, become increasingly healthy through more active, bonded citizenry.

Our Pass Program funds are restricted to those facing the most barriers to pay-to-play options, including youth in low-income situations, youth who are physically/developmentally challenged, and youth considered at-risk for destructive behavior or disconnection from support systems. We accomplish this outreach by partnering with local human service organizations, schools, and government agencies working directly with the families and caretakers that meet our criteria. To date, twenty-two (22) organizations have served through outreach and as reference providers for the kids we've supported. These organizations include:

Bend LaPine School District, Bend Park and Recreation District, Best Care Treatment, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Boys and Girls Club, Churches, Central Oregon Pediatrics Associates (COPA), Culver School District, Deschutes Health Services, Family Access Network (FAN), Housing Works, Indian Health Service, Jefferson County School District, Mosaic Medical, Mountain Star Family, Neighbor Impact, Northwest Family Services, Oregon Dept of Education, Police Department, Redmond School District, Warm Springs Tribe, Women Infant Children (WIC).

Every organization receiving a check from KIDS in the GAME receives a letter sharing our mission and encouraging them to join us in getting more kids active. Supporting partners, such as Deschutes County, have the option to be recognized via these letters, on the Pass Program website, and throughout the communications with kids and their families/caretakers.

In the last year, via our outreach partners, we have supported over 430 Central Oregon kids in getting active. Our objective is to reach more local kids in need, particularly those in the most underserved regions of Deschutes County.

Every week, we receive proof that the Pass Program is making a positive impact in the lives of youth via testimonials like this one: "Thank you for the opportunity to play volleyball, I had so much fun and learned a lot. I enjoyed playing with everyone. I really do appreciate it thank you so much. You gave me the opportunity to discover something new." - Crook County Middle School student

3. Provide a timeline for completing the proposed project or activity.

One of the top benefits of the Pass Program is its ability to inspire and support continuous, year-round physical activity among youth. For that reason, we fundraise throughout the year to ensure that our program is available to youth during every season. Once raised, we contact our outreach partners to inform them of funds available.

In 2016, we will specifically target County communities with the most need, specifically La Pine, Prineville, Madras, and Warm Springs. A grant of \$1,000 from Deschutes County will be allocated to these communities to support up to 20 inactive kids to engage in a variety of sports and other physical activities. Based on our projections, we anticipate that the grant will be fully utilized within three months.

4. Explain how the proposed project or activity will positively impact the community.

Childhood is the ideal time to prevent obesity, and none of the key strategies holds more promise in reducing obesity rates among children aged 6-12 than participation in after-school physical activity programs, according to a 2014 analysis published in the American Journal of Preventive Medicine. At KIDS in the GAME, we are committed to finding ways to help children and youth enjoy being active every day, regardless of ability, location, or income. It's critical that all kids have the opportunity to find, learn, and play sports they love.

According to the Aspen *Project Play* Report, "Sport participation has been a tool of public health for more than a century. But, today, most kids miss out. The problem disproportionately affects some groups and starts during the grade-school years." And, "money is the biggest driver to participation." Specifically in Central Oregon, nearly one in four children live in poverty as reported by the annual progress report produced by Children First Oregon. With high obesity

rates and a large percentage of low-income families, Central Oregon youth require financial assistance to gain access to programs that build physical activity and literacy.

In a 2014 George Washington University study, 9 out of 10 kids said “fun” is the main reason they participate. When we allow kids to choose their own activities, they develop their ability, confidence and desire to try new things while also increasing their physical literacy, a key to physical, mental, and emotional development. Through the Pass, kids have their opportunity to choose and re-choose their activities up to four times per year, developing well-rounded athleticism, and skill sets that transfer to all environments, include communication, critical thinking, problem-solving, getting along with others, playing as a team, trying ones best, receiving and giving feedback, and more.

5. Identify the specific communities or groups that will benefit.

The Pass Program is open to Central Oregon youth ages 18 and under, which includes Crook, Deschutes and Jefferson counties. It directly benefits underserved youth and families with the most barriers to participation in physical activity programs. This support, in turn, benefits the leagues, businesses, and youth sports agencies dedicated to healthy activity, growing community bonds, and inspiring kids to become physically literate.

With the help of school staff and human service agencies, we identify kids most in need of support due to low-income situations, disabilities, and lack of personal support. We are especially interested in finding the kids and families who will benefit from the community support that sports and other activities of their choice will provide. In our outreach, we consider kids who are homeless, kids residing in group homes or the foster system, kids with disabilities, and other risk factors for obesity and sedentary lifestyles.

After a few years of supporting youth sports organizations, we changed our model to connect with youth directly in order to ensure that our funds were reaching the most underserved kids. There is a successful model for our program in Canada, known as KidSport. As far as we know, there are not any other programs like ours in the United States. Some youth sports organizations offer scholarship options for families, though most do not meet the demand, even of those who are already active. Through our outreach, we both increase the demand and support it. Our Pass Program provides scholarships to programs, leagues, and classes that do not offer financial assistance and serves as a supplement to those needing additional funds. Our outreach and financial support allows sports organizations to share their programs with more kids and families, increasing their program enrollment and community connectivity.

6. Describe how grant funds will be used and include the source and amounts of matching funds or in-kind contributions, if any. Itemize anticipated expenditures.

Funds will be used for grants that alleviate the financial barriers of program registration fees and towards support of the Pass Program outreach and administration.

In 2015, we will award approximately \$20,000 in grants to qualified youth. We anticipate a 25% growth in the number of grants we will award in 2016. Managing this growth requires additional time processing applications and increased outreach with community partners that share our program. The internal processes include matching reference forms to applications, printing checks and award letters, sending confirmation emails to all approved applicants, maintaining digital application, writing letters to organizations that host youth, reporting outcome data to funders, and answering program questions via telephone and email.

Our outreach grows new partnerships with community organizations, the count currently at 22, helping reach more kids that meet our criteria. Our staff often meets with individual organizations and their employees, sharing the mission of the Pass, the application process, and how their employees can assist families in the process. We also attend events that partner organizations host, allowing us to directly share the program with families in the community.

****See attached budget for anticipated expenditures for the 2016 Pass Program****

7. If the grant will support an ongoing activity, explain how it will be funded in the future.

Since its inception, the Pass Program has been funded through the generous support of individual donors and corporate partners who desire to impact youth in their own communities, including: Bend Dermatology, St. Charles Health System, Les Schwab, Deschutes Brewery, Bank of the Cascades, Wells Fargo, Hydro Flask, and G5.

In addition to Deschutes County, we are currently approaching the Bill Healy Foundation, St. Charles Health System, SELCO Credit Union, Deschutes Brewery, RBC Foundation and Bank of the Cascades for funding to serve the most underserved kids in Central Oregon.



KIDS in the GAME Pass Program Budget

2016

Ordinary Income/Expense Income

Direct Public Support	
Corporate Contributions	\$25,000.00
Individual Contributions	\$10,000.00
Total Direct Public Support	<u>\$35,000.00</u>
Total Income	<u><u>\$35,000.00</u></u>

Expense

KITG Pass Allocations	\$25,000.00
Payroll Expenses	
Processing & Outreach	<u>\$7,750.00</u>
Total Payroll Expenses	\$7,750.00
Printing (marketing, checks, award letters)	\$500.00
Postage & Supplies (stamps, envelopes, paper, ink)	\$750.00
Marketing (events, brochures, Facebook ads)	\$1,000.00
Total Expense	<u><u>\$35,000.00</u></u>

Net Ordinary Income

\$0.00