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Economic Development Grant Application - Submission #287

Date Submitted: 9/21/2018

Title of Project*

Klamath County Event Center/Fairgrounds RV Park Expansion

Funds Requested*

\$30,000

Grant Manager/Contact*

R. Todd Hoggarth, Manager

Organization Applying*

Klamath County Fairgrounds

Applicant Type*

Please check one

 Non Profit Private Business Public Body Other Tribe

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3531 S. 6th Street

City

Klamath Falls

State

OR

Zip Code

97603

Brief Description of Project*

The RV spaces on the east side of the Event Center/Fairgrounds are in need of upgrade and increased RV parking capacity. This has become increasingly evident through event usage, as well as 4-H patrons during the annual County Fair. This project will expand the current RV space site by 8 additional posts accommodating 16 more RV overnight spaces, bring the total available RV spaces to customers of the Klamath County Event Center/Fairgrounds to 40 full hookups.

If funded, the project will begin as soon as the ink hits the paper with a projected completion of June 30, 2019. Because we already have the area dedicated for RV Parking, the actual ground prep will be minimal. Pedestals will be added with sewer and water. The desire is to have everything in place in time for Fair 2019 to accommodate our 4-H families (as well as casual visitors to the Klamath Basin).

Also provide a project schedule if possible.

Explain the source of all funds for this project*

Partial funding from this project has been budgeted in the 2018/19 Budget within the Fairgrounds Budget (5031) and within the Facilities Improvement (3060) Budget. We also have two community groups that have indicated that they would be willing to add funding for this project as it will assist their endeavors for their own events (held annually). This added funding will be earmarked as matching funds. The Event Center/Fairgrounds will utilize funds from this Grant to offset needed dollars to complete this project. A preliminary projected project budget is attached to this application.

In addition to this answer, a project budget is necessary. A detailed budget is not required; in the box below provide a general financial description. Identify how this project would be modified if only partial funding from the County is obtained. Be sure to include the required 30% cash match in your budget

Explain what exactly the project funds (and especially the county funds) will pay for*

Project funds will pay for permits, ground preparation, electrical, water, and sanitation preparation and installation, as well as material needs (for example hardware, piping, etc.). If the project is modified, the Fair Board will adjust power and water capability for that area - and sewer capability would be deleted from the project. The 30% cash match would also adjust accordingly.

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Identify the specific economic development benefits from this project*

The Event Center/Fairgrounds revolves around the community, its young people as well as the older set in that we furnish facilities for commercial and community events, as well as livestock events at an affordable and economic price. The Fair, produced by the Fair Board, is a vital resource for personal development along with the key focus of education whereby the year-round activities constitute a living classroom for all involved.

With regard to this specific project, the Event Center/Fairgrounds has seen a definitive increase in RV traffic within the past 2 years. Travelers are stopping through on their way south, attending local events, and visiting with family members who live in the area. The Event Center/Fairgrounds offers an affordable, safe, clean venue for these travelers. This increase adds to the Event Center/Fairgrounds income as well as restaurant and fueling station businesses within our community. These travelers also attend many events taking place within the Klamath Basin, which in turn support our community partners. With the advantage of additional RV parking, Transient Room Tax money generated from these overnight stays will benefit the basin's tourism effort, as well as the budgets for the Event Center/Fairgrounds and other entities receiving funding from the increased RV traffic.

The above supports the promotion of economic development in Klamath County and assisting with facilities that support economic development in Klamath County.

Reference to economic development objectives in section 5 in grant memorandum

Identify how this project is consistent with regional or local economic development plans*

This project meets the intent of the goal "business retention and expansion" as we continually expand the size and usable space within the property at 3531 S. 6th Street. The RV expansion project is one of many planned for the future moving forward.

<http://www.scoedd.org/docs/2013%2020CEDs%20Final.pdf>

Describe the prospective applicant's experience in administering and/or delivering similar types of projects*

As the Event Center/Fairgrounds evolves into the future, it is ever changing. As the history of the Fairgrounds is reviewed, we have evolved from a Quonset hut type multi-purpose building to a full-use facility that is utilized 365 days each year. The Fair Board and Management have been involved first-hand in ALL project management, the development of buildings and facilities, and the management of funds, from start to finish (for example, the Event Center build). This facility development takes into consideration the best use of the grounds for our customers and for those traveling through the area.

Describe how the prospective applicant intends to publically acknowledge the assistance received from the County:*

Signage will be developed and displayed at our "pay kiosk", along with advertising (Press Release), web site presence, social media, etc.

At a minimum, the applicant will provide a press release to local media

Let us know of any questions, comments or concerns that you would like to give us about the Economic Development Grant Program or any feedback you would like to offer

As this is our initial grant application, there are no further questions at this time.

Supporting Docs (put them all in one file)*

Grant Supporting Documentation.pdf

***Proof of federal tax id (if one is issued, do not upload docs for SSN) ***Entity's W-9 form (omit SSN) ***Grant Budget - Use the grant budget template provided
 ***Support letters - All entities are required to obtain support from 3 businesses/organizations ***If your grant project involves signage of any kind, you are required to gather and submit letters from all required local, regional or state sign authorities involved demonstrating approval to place signage on their land/property during the timeframe of the grant ***If your grant project involves infrastructure development/construction you must include plan drawings and approval from permitting authorities if required locally

Insurance Requirements

Insurance Acord 25-S with County required minimums, Klamath County as additional insured, additional insured endorsement, proof of workers comp and auto coverage (if needed). If no employees or autos will be used for grant fulfillment, a document on letterhead stating no employees or autos will be used for grant fulfillment must be submitted.

Electronic Signature Agreement

By checking the "I agree" box below, you agree and acknowledge that 1) your application will not be signed in the sense of a traditional paper document, 2) by signing in this alternate manner, you authorize your electronic signature to be valid and binding upon you to the same force and effect as a handwritten signature, and 3) you may still be required to provide a traditional signature at a later date.

I agree.

Electronic Signature

Richard T. (Todd) Hoggarth, Manager