



COUNCIL GROVE AREA FOUNDATION
P.O. BOX 137, Council Grove, Kansas 66846

GRANT APPLICATION

Organization Information

SOS, Inc.

Organization Name

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Is your organization a tax-exempt? **Yes**

Date of tax exemptions status granted: **9/3/81**

Is your organization a nonprofit 501(c)(3)? **Yes**

Date status granted: **9/3/81**

Tell us about your organization.

Originally founded in 1976 as a women's organization to assist local rape survivors, SOS, Inc. is now the only organization in Kansas to offer integrated crisis, child and educational services in Lyon, Chase, Osage, Coffey, Greenwood and Morris counties. SOS originated during a time when few organizations or civic leaders would even mention the word 'rape', let alone try to raise awareness for the victims. When the indelible link between sexual violence and domestic violence became increasingly evident, SOS sought to support and advocate for the forgotten victims of both crimes (1978). The rural setting of our organization, coupled with increased funding opportunities, has helped SOS expand its services and provide additional safety programs for traditionally vulnerable populations: those underserved women, children & men living in geographically isolated locations. In 1995, SOS added a CASA program, a Child Visitation and Exchange Center in 1999 and a Child Advocacy Center in 2002.

Project Information

Name of project: Teen Giveaways & Parent Information Cards
What geographic area will be served: SOS Service Area (Lyon, Morris, Chase, Coffey, Osage, Greenwood Counties)
Who will benefit: Possible Teen Victims & Parents
July 2019 May 2020
Anticipated Project Start Date Anticipated Project Completion Date

What is the purpose of this project; what specifically will it accomplish?

This project would grant SOS the means to provide potentially life-saving information to all teens that are served within our service area. Each giveaway would inform recipients of how to reach out to SOS for help, as well as provide valuable tips for parents to have conversations with their kids about body safety, internet security, and teen dating violence.

What problem is this project attempting to solve?

Our organization is largely funded by state and federal grants that typically forbid promotional items. This obstacle requires SOS to find alternative support to produce these aesthetically-pleasing items to ensure kids will always have our helpline information and that parents possess the necessary resources to help them better understand what their kids are may be doing and are exposed to online.

Who else in the community is working on this issue? Please list all other groups and/or committees.

Danielle Armitage, the SOS Outreach Prevention Coordinator, will be working with area school districts to distribute these items during class presentations and special events.

How will the project be implemented and how will you coordinate with others working on this issue?

SOS would like to use local businesses in Council Grove to create personalized giveaways for students and information cards for parents. The businesses selected will be Lexinet and Redbud Designs. We would like to use 55% of the money we receive for promotional items and 45% on informational items for parents.

What local support is there for this project?

SOS has a strong legacy of community collaboration to assist in our outreach education efforts, including working with local schools, law enforcement, medical and mental health professionals, media and various civic organizations.

Financial Information

\$1500.00 \$1500.00
Total Project Cost Amount Requested from CGAF

Please list the amount and source of pledge or commitments to date:

SOS currently has no other outside pledges for this project.

Please list any additional funding requests that will be made:

If our request is denied, then SOS will seek other suitable funding opportunities.

Connie J. Cahoone
Print Name
Connie J. Cahoone
Signature

Executive Director
Title
4/30/19
Today's Date

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