

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

GRANT APPLICATION

Organization Information

Council Grove/Morris County Chamber of Commerce & Tourism

Organization Name

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Council Grove

KS

66846

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City

State

Zip

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Please list your 3 of organizations officers below:

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Vice President

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Title

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

Date of tax exemptions status granted: 6/12/47

Is your organization a nonprofit 501(c)(3)? **No**

Date status granted: 6/12/47

Tell us about your organization.

A not-for-profit business organization. To support and develop successful businesses, encourage tourism and enhance the community by building strong partnerships throughout the county, communities and businesses by working together.

Project Information

Name of project: Trolley -- for Historic & Area Tours

What geographic area will be served: Council Grove and surrounding areas

Who will benefit: All of the businesses, residents and visitors

started
Anticipated Project Start Date

June 2019
Anticipated Project Completion Date

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

Our hope is to continue to promote Council Grove through a unique way for visitors and residents to enjoy all there is to offer in the area. In addition, it provides a fun and educational way to enjoy Historical Tours.

What problem is this project attempting to solve?

Lack of a tour trolley to help people learn about the history and other recreation opportunities in the area offering a way to partake in a tour on a unique trolley where a group of up to 25 -30 people can all ride together, making the tour more enjoyable and easier on the tour guide.

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

We have a seven member tour trolley committee to oversee this project that is working with the Chamber and numerous other individuals interested in seeing this project happen. The committee includes Chamber board members, City Council members, and individuals interested in the trolley.

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

We will purchase the trolley and begin setting up tour routes, developing the talking points and reaching out with marketing to let people know we have the trolley for tours. We will work with the area businesses to promote and schedule tours. We will work with the businesses and individual residents to raise the funds for the trolley purchase and the cost of the initial operation. In addition to tours the trolley will be available to be rented for weddings, reunions and other activities.

What local support is there for this project?

The community is very excited about the opportunity to host trolley tours to boost tourism. They feel it is a beneficial tool to give visitors a reason to come and spend time in our community.

Financial Information

\$18,000.00
Total Project Cost

\$5,000.00
Amount Requested from CGAF


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

We have approximately \$8,000 of pledges from local businesses and residents.

Please list any additional funding requests that will be made:

City Sales Tax grant, personal pledges and other foundations.

Diane L. Wolfe
Print Name


Signature

Executive Director
Title

4/29/19
Today's Date

Please submit send your application to: Director@CGKSAF.org or Council Grove Area Foundation
P.O. BOX 137
Council Grove, KS. 66846

CG Chamber of Commerce Trolley

Operational Plan

Chamber would employ drivers

Schedule all Tours and collect all fees.

Offer private and public tours to include:

Tours routes

CG Historical Sites (pre-recorded or step on guides)

It's possible that the driver could also give the tour narration.

CG Lakes tour (pre-recorded or step on guides)

Eat and Tour

Stay and Tour

Shop and Tour

Wedding Shuttle

Event Shuttle

Open Loop Tour of Historical Sites, Lakes, and Ranches (if available and accessible)

\$8 per adult

\$5 for 12 and over

Under 12 rides for free with Paid adult.

Private Historical Tours and Shuttle Transportation Passengers to and from one location to another

♣ \$100.00 for a 1 Hour Rental [minimum]

♣ \$175.00 for a 2 Hour Rental

♣ \$75.00 for each additional hour

♣ \$100.00 non-refundable deposit is required. [applied toward rental fee.]

♣ "Step on Guide" service [live narrations and story tellers] when available. Fee to be determined by guide. * Please note hourly rate includes driver, fuel, cleaning

Conditions of Operation ♣ The Trolley shall only be operated on paved roads (no dirt or gravel roads).

Purchase from Bolton/Tyner

Purchase price	\$12,000 to Bolton/Tyner
Fuel	\$87 to Tyner
Moonlite Trk	\$1,154.34 to Tyner
Jeremiah painting (labor)	\$1,500 est.
Adams Homestore	\$500 est. paint and materials
Registration costs	\$1,300 est. including sales tax
Logo design and install	\$850 est.
Full Coverage insurance	\$1,392 quote

Total \$18,783

Annual minimum costs

Insurance	\$1,400
Maintenance	\$3,000 (if we don't spend it we need to bank it for unknown)
Driver Labor	\$15 per hour of operation.
Fuel costs	40 cents per mile driven. Typical tour around 10 miles

Moonlite Trucking went through drive train and lighting, serviced vehicle and fixed leaking hoses, tires etc. Oscar feels the vehicle in great shape and doesn't foresee any major issues.

The vehicle will cost only when operating and will need to be stored indoors for both security (cannot lock doors) and weather exposure.