

Park Place Neighborhood Association, Oregon City, Oregon



The Neighborhood at the End of the Oregon Trail

City of Oregon City

Metro Enhancement Grants

May 12th, 2017

Dear Board Members:

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Yours Truly,

Linda VanHaverbeke

Service Committee Chair

Park Place Neighborhood Association



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Enhancement Grant Program Application

Before filling out this form, please read the Enhancement Grant Program Information for complete submittal instructions and to be sure that your proposal qualifies for funding. Applications received after the deadline will not be accepted. Liability insurance coverage may be required. Limit answers to the space provided.

Title of Project Six Gateways Enhancements

Organization Two Rivers, Holcomb Park Place Associations and Rivers of Life Center

Is this a Non-Profit Organization? Yes ☒ No ☐

Non-Profit Federal tax exempt ID Number 46-470358

Address PO BOX 2526

City, State, Zip Oregon City, OR, 97045

Project Coordinator Linda Van Haverbeke Phone 503-806-6630

Email linda@vanhaverbeke.org

Chairperson of Governing Board (If Applicable) Linda Van Haverbeke

Phone Linda Van Haverbeke: 503-806-6630 Bryon Boyce: 503-655-4457

Signature 

(The person authorized to represent the organization must sign the application with a digital signature or actual signature on a hard copy.)

*****Complete the budget sheet on page 7 first.**

Amount totals from that sheet will auto fill into this table

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|---|----|--------|
| Grant Amount Requested: | \$ | 19,500 |
| + Matching Funds (Cash): | \$ | 10,000 |
| + In-Kind Matching Funds (See question #15): | \$ | 14,500 |
| = Total Cost of Project: | \$ | 44,000 |

Proposal Information

1. Is this your first grant application to the Enhancement Grant Committee?

Yes ☐ No ☒

2. Have you received an Enhancement Grant in the last 3 years? (Include past Metro Enhancement Grants)

Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, please describe the projects/programs for which you received funding.

Holcomb Park Place Neighborhood Association worked with a non profit organization to clean up - enhance Hiram Straight Pioneer Cemetery, the Holcomb Park Place Abernethy Gateway and Clackamas River - Forsythe Gateways. Other gateways we are targeting with the help of Two Rivers Neighborhood Association include: The Metro Wetlands - Washington Street Gateway (1 acre), The Riverview Plaza Park (The entry to the Legacy Project area along 99 E) 99E near tunnel and Railroad Ave. Overhanging invasives.

3. If you received an Enhancement Grant last year, what is the status of the project?

Grant completed. All objectives met.

4. Will this grant-funding request be used for the first phase of a project, with possible grant requests for future phases?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, please explain.



5. Briefly describe the project for which you are requesting funds.

Two Rivers and Holcomb Park Place Neighborhood Associations are partnering with a non-profit youth program and Junior ROTC program at Oregon City High School to address six high visibility sites that serve as Oregon City Gateways. These areas serve local businesses, citizens, and visitors to the city. All of these areas need attention, since their creation in the past decade. We are excited to partner with our neighbors and trained youth to make these gateways appealing elements of our city.

The Gateways constitute nearly seven acres of land (approximately 300,000 square feet) and are as follows:

1. Clackamas River Road - Forsythe Road Gateway
2. Hiram Straight Pioneer Gateway
3. Metro - Washington Street Gateway
4. Holcomb, Abernethy, Redland Road Gateway
5. River View Plaza Park (Gateway to the Legacy Project on 99E)
6. 99E Tunnel and Railroad Avenue Gateways

Note: Oregon City Public Works and Operations Department see these areas as important assets to be maintained and will assist us in providing materials, permitting, and other operation needs.

6. Describe why this project was selected and the community need(s) to which it will respond.

These areas are all premier entry features to neighborhoods, or the cityscape. All areas received initial attention when Oregon City Clean Up and Enhancement was founded in the 1990's. Landscapes have grown up and, in some cases, are getting overrun by invasives. Careful pruning and shaping will be conducted by youth trained in those activities at the John Inskeep Environmental Learning Center located at Clackamas Community College. The city's Public Works and Operations Departments are providing technical assistance, right-of-way permitting, mulches, supplies and disposal services. They recognize the need to keep these primary visibility areas looking attractive, but do not have the staff or manpower to do this work because of other basic requirements.

7a. Identify and describe how this proposal meets one or more of the goals for funding within the enhancement area boundaries (check those below that apply and describe by item number below).

- ☒ 1. Result in an improvement to the appearance or environmental quality of the area/neighborhood.
- ☒ 2. Result in the reduction in the amount or toxicity of waste, or increase reuse and recycling opportunities.
- ☐ 3. Result in rehabilitation, upgrading or direct increase in the real or personal property owned or operated by a nonprofit organization having 501(c)(3) status under the Internal Revenue Code.
- ☒ 4. Result in the preservation or enhancement of wildlife, riparian zones, wetlands, forest lands and marine areas, and/or improve the public awareness and the opportunities to enjoy them.
- ☒ 5. Result in improvement to, or an increase in, recreational areas and programs.
- ☒ 6. Result in improvement in the safety of the area.
- ☒ 7. Result in projects that benefit youth, seniors, low-income persons or underserved populations.
- ☒ 8. Result in significant improvement in the cleanliness of the City.
- ☒ 9. Result in increased employment or economic opportunities for City residents.
- ☐ 10. Result in increased attractiveness or market value residential, commercial or industrial areas.

7b. List by item number from 7a and describe how the project meets the each goal.

- 1. Appearances will be improved in two different neighborhood associations in excess of seven acres (approximately 300,000 square feet)
- 2. In this project, youth will recycle mulches, debris into mulches, pick up all on-site garbage and apply recycled materials to the areas of improvement.
- 4. These gateways either overlook rivers, or exist in close proximity to wetlands or Natural Resource Areas. This will enhance those areas through pruning and creation of wildlife habitat adjoining.
- 5. All gateway areas being upgraded will support enhanced recreation and acceptance by visitors and citizens once invasive plants and debris are gone.
- 6. These gateways are all located in traffic movement areas and their proper pruning and maintenance will improve safety at all 6 locations.
- 7. Approximately 30 local youth and an equal number of volunteers will participate in the project.
- 8. These areas have been often neglected and have become open dumping grounds over the past decades. Work will correct these problems.
- 9. Economic Vitality in 6 gateway areas will be improved. They will become "showcase projects" in Oregon City's North End and Holcomb Park Place districts.

8. Project Period: 10 Months

(Number of months in duration)

Beginning Date: July 1st, 2017

Ending Date: April 30, 2018

9. What is the geographic area of Oregon City where the project will take place?

These projects focus on Oregon City's North End district, the Holcomb Park Place area and areas near, but not within the Legacy Project adjoining Highway 99E.

They include:

1. Clackamas River Road - Forsythe Road Gateway
 2. Hiram Straight Pioneer Gateway
 3. Metro - Washington Street Gateway
 4. Holcomb, Abernethy, Redland Road Gateway
 5. River View Plaza Park (Gateway to the legacy project on 99E)
 6. 99E Tunnel and Railroad Avenue Gateways (Overhanging invasives atop Railroad)
10. How will the community benefit by your project? What is the estimated number of people affected and anticipated outcome(s)?

The return on this investment will be the enhancement of six areas of the city totaling seven acres (approximately 300,000 square feet). It will build upon previous investments of time and effort by volunteers from the two contributing neighborhood associations, non profits and youth. 25% of Oregon City's population is located in these areas and new improvements being planned at Clackamette Cove and the Legacy Project will increase usership and presence of people at many of these gateway areas.

A participating non-profit youth training organization will work with and supervise Oregon City's Junior ROTC program cadets. This will provide a reliable source of people power and management for these site enhancements and restorations. Neighborhood volunteers will be incorporated into each youth-cadet work party to complete community involvement goals within the project.

11. What community resources will be used as support for this project (i.e. community, city-owned property, city departments, transportation services or other civic groups)?

1. Oregon City Public Works and Operations Department are providing access to needed wood chips; barkdust mulches and right-of-way permitting required at the gateways. They will further provide dropx-boxes for invasives disposal.

2. Oregon City High School and neighborhood associations will provide manpower.

3. Clackamas Landscape Supply through Oregon City Public works will assist in providing attractive bark dust products for sites located in public corridors.

12. Briefly describe prior experience managing similar projects, including any past enhancement projects.

These two neighborhood associations have worked in partnership with the Junior ROTC program, as managed by a local non-profit to assure timely project initiation and completion. These gateways which were initially addressed in the past and were the work of the neighborhood associations, youth and not for profits, constitute the majority of all high visibility entries in Oregon City. The associations always produce "Thank you pizza parties" for participants and dedication events for city councillors, making these efforts build a stronger Oregon City community.

13. List anticipated project milestones and dates (e.g. groundbreakings, significant facility improvements, large gatherings of volunteers, public meetings, conferences, special activities and events).

July 2017 - Projects Kickoff at "Riverview Plaza Park" (Gateway to the Legacy Project)

August-November 2017- Completion of Riverview Plaza, Railroad Avenue and Metro Wetland - Washington Street Gateways.

January-March, 2017 - Completion of Holcomb - Abernethy - Redland Road and Clackamas River Drive - Forsythe Road Gateways.

April 2018 - Completion of Hiram-Straight Pioneer Gateway

May 2018 - Open House and thank you event for city staff, commissioners, citizens.

14. An exit report will be required once the project is complete, per a signed Enhancement agreement. Describe the measurements you will use to assess the program/project effectiveness. In other words, how will the effectiveness of the program/project be tracked and evaluated (i.e. number of people served; improvements and/or beautification; number of volunteers attracted; amount of area cleaned or rehabilitated, etc.)? Be sure to describe project goals, changes and noticeable benefits that will come about as a result.

Volunteers under the supervision of the neighborhood associations will complete project registry and outcomes reporting at each site. Youth from the Junior ROTC program and the non-profit will manage on site work and will complete reports for their involvement and ultimate approval for "Experiential Learning Credits" that the Oregon City School District will provide.

15. List sources of support for in-kind matching support (e.g. volunteer hours and donations). In order to estimate the value of donated volunteer time refer to the Enhancement Grant Program Information sheet for current value.

| Item | Source of Support | Estimated Value (\$) |
|------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Barkdust and Mulches | Oregon City Public Works | Estimated Value \$4250 |
| Materials and Trucking | Explorations Nursery | Estimated Value \$2500 |
| Tools and Implements | Explorations Nursery | Estimated Value \$3500 |
| Crew & Transport Van | Rivers of Life Center | Estimated Value \$1750 |
| Equipment and Rental | Home Depot & Supply | Estimated Value \$2500 |
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| Total | In Kind | Match \$14,500 |

16. List all grants applied for in support of this project and commitments confirmed to date.

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| 1. Joe Weston Fund - Oregon Community Foundation (Received) | \$2500 |
| 2. Clackamas County Youth Services Grant (Submitting) | \$7500 |
| Total Cash Match | \$10,000 |

17. What is the percentage of Enhancement will be used for personnel services or administrative costs? 9.5 %

18. Will the administrator be a paid position? Yes ☐ No ☒

19. Proposed Budget—on the following page please complete the proposed budget. Modify line items as needed to reflect proposed expenses.

- Column A: Show grant monies needed for the program/project.
- Column B: Show cash matching funds.
- Column C: Show donations or in-kind volunteer labor (from question 15).
- Column D: Totals for each category.

****These figures will be transferred to the table on the first page of this application.

Proposed Budget

| Suggested List (not inclusive) | (A) Grant Dollars Requested | (B) Matching Funds (Cash) | (C) In-Kind Matching Support | (D) Total |
|--|--|--|---|----------------------|
| Personnel Services (salaries, administration) | 1850 | | 2500 | 4350 |
| Project Administration costs (clerical, advertising, graphics, printing, postage) | 1500 | 7500 | | 9000 |
| Materials | 4500 | | 4250 | 8750 |
| Equipment/Supplies | 3650 | | 2500 | 6150 |
| Construction Costs | | | 3500 | 3500 |
| Event Costs | 300 (permits) | | | 300 |
| Transportation Costs | 500 | | 1750 | 2250 |
| Insurance Costs (if needed) | 1200 | | | 1200 |
| Additional Costs (List) | | | | |
| Youth Work Crew | 6000 | 2500 | | 8500 |
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| Totals | 19500 | 10000 | 14500 | 44000 |

Letters of Recommendation & Attachments



May 9, 2017

Metro Enhancement Grants
Grant Review Committee
Oregon City, OR

Dear Review Committee:

The Oregon City Public Works Department wishes to extend its support to the Two Rivers Neighborhood Association, Park Place Neighborhood Association, and Rivers of Life Center for targeting numerous gateways and high visibility approaches to Oregon City for increased beautification and maintenance.

Our Public Works Department will support the five suggested projects with debris disposal boxes and mulch material, as required. The sites have been approached in the past for assistance with landscape improvements, and this level of maintenance is beyond the normal scope of services of the Public Works Department. We support the involvement of these neighborhood associations with the very capable Rivers of Life Center Youth Environmental Enhancement team in these efforts. The sites include:

1. Riverview Terrace Park adjoining the Willamette by the Blue Heron Paper Mill.
2. Boulevard Landscapes in Oregon City's South Gateway.
3. Holcomb, Abernethy, Park Place Gateway.
4. Metro Wetlands and North Gateway approximately 2 acres adjoining Washington Street.
5. Clackamas River Road to Forsythe Gateway.

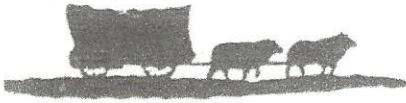
Previous work established these landscapes by volunteers and others. Their efforts total nearly 5 acres of landscapes that were created and now need attention to maintain an inviting condition for visitors and residents of our evolving city.

Thank you for your consideration,

Martin Montalvo
Operations Manager
Oregon City Public Works

Park Place Neighborhood Association, Oregon City, Oregon

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Linda VanHaverbeke

Service Committee Chair

Park Place Neighborhood Association



Army Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC)

PIONEER BATTALION

Oregon City High School - 19761 S. Beavercreek Road
Oregon City, Oregon 97045
<http://www.ochs.orecity.k12.or.us/academics/jrotc>
(503) 785-8995



Subject: Letter of Support

Dear Committee,

I am the Senior Instructor for the Oregon City JROTC Program. I am excited about the opportunity to again partner with the Earth Crusaders. We are always looking for opportunities to provide our Cadets with enriching activities that support our mission of motivating young people to be better citizens.

Our Cadets have worked with Mr. Jerry Herrmann and his Earth Crusader's Project on river side clean-ups and downtown city revitalization projects. These projects give our cadets opportunities to serve their community, develop valuable skills and to implement their leadership skills while working in crews or teams. We forward to again serving the Oregon City community.

Mr. Herrmann approached us again recently with an idea to partner on a project that connects our Cadets with knowledgeable mentors that will teach and coach them on how to be tour guides on vessels and trolleys that connect with this history of the Willamette River. Several of our core learning objectives incorporates personal assertion and self-advocacy skills. Having the opportunity to develop and deliver historic presentations as a tour guide could be a tremendous opportunity for growth in these areas.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me by email douglas.thomas@orecity.k12.or.us or by phone (503)785-8995.

DOUGLAS D. THOMAS
Major (Retired)
Senior Army Instructor

TWO RIVERS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

May 11th, 2017

625 Center Street

Oregon City OR, 97045

To Grant Review Members:

The Two Rivers Neighborhood Association is pleased to partner with the Park Place Neighborhood Association and the Earth Crusaders Youth Program (A part of Rivers of Life Center) to address high visibility sites that serve as Oregon City Gateways for both visitors and citizens. All of these areas have been addressed in the past but need attention after 7-8 years from time of previous rehabilitation. Volunteers have helped with Earth Crusaders and others, but needed materials and timely labor are in order to maintain a quality appearance, for this community. We look forward to partnering with the others mentioned to make these gateways attractive elements for our city.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bryon D. Boyce". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Bryon" being the most prominent.

Bryon Boyce

Chair, Two Rivers Neighborhood Association

Gateways Youth Crews



Historic Oregon City Gateway Project

