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OUTSIDE AGENCY FUNDING APPLICATION – FISCAL YEAR 2024

Organization: One Riverfront Date: 09/25/23
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FUNDING REQUEST SUMMARY

Project Name: Riverfront trail project
Amount of Request: (\$) 4,600

Summary of Request:

One Riverfront (ORF) is an advisory commission to Mesa County, City of Grand Junction, Town of Palisade, and the City of Fruita; our mission is preservation, revitalization, and restoration of the Colorado Riverfront Greenway. We are the working arm of the Colorado Riverfront Foundation, Inc. (RFF). We work with the RFF as our fiscal sponsor and with neighboring government entities to secure grants. Per Resolution 31-9 (a joint resolution between the City of Grand Junction, the Town of Palisade, the City of Fruita and Mesa County) each entity will, on an annual basis, budget for the operation of ORF. The City of Fruita is responsible for 6% of the ORF's annual budget.

How does this program/project benefit the citizens/businesses of the City of Fruita?

The Monument View Trail (MVT) was completed in 2014, which connected the City of Fruita to the City of Grand Junction. Based on trail-traffic counter reports from Mesa County, there are 100's of people using the trail on a daily basis whether for recreation or commuting. Adding the completion of the Lower Salt Wash Trail connecting to the James M. Robb Colorado State Park-Fruita Section, trail users can ride the trail along the greenway of the Colorado River.



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Trail users were extremely excited with the Kokopelli Trail Connection completion in 2018. They love the ability to ride from Grand Junction to Loma on one continuous trail.

How does this program/project help the City to achieve its goals and priorities (Exhibit A)?

Our efforts began in 1987 as a response to years of industry degradation that had severely impaired the Colorado River and the quality of life for Mesa County residents. Our first project was to clean up junk cars and uranium mill tailings from what is now known as Las Colonias Park in downtown Grand Junction. We have continued our primary focus on connecting the various community resources and parks by completing a paved multi-use, recreational trail. Trail users can now access the riverfront trail from downtown Fruita. They can attend the Colorado Riverfront Concert Series held at the James M. Robb Colorado River State Park-Fruita Section and users coming from Grand Junction can now get to downtown Fruita. Trail users are visiting area shops, restaurants such as Suds Brothers, Munchies, Hot Tomato, Copper Brewing Club, the Community Center/Library and even the Saturday Farmers Market.

Describe other funding sources and financial support for this project/program, both internally and from other outside agencies, including in-kind contributions such as donated goods or services.

City of Grand Junction - \$17,977-pending; Town of Palisade - \$3,604-pending; Mesa County stopped funding ORF in 2013. They do provide ORF office space for \$100 per year. The RFF has stepped up from time to time since 2013 to help cover the budget shortfall.

Will the organization be able to continue to deliver services in the future without City funding?

ORF would have to depend on the RFF to provide the annual funding, which means less cash match funds available for our partners' grant requests.

How will the success of this program be measured?

We continue to hear from Fruita residents how much they love the MVT and the Kokopelli Trail Connection. Walkers, joggers, bicycle riders, individuals, friends and family are all using the riverfront trail on a daily basis, every month of the year. Bicycle commuters are using the trail daily from Fruita to Grand Junction and back.



PROJECT/PROGRAM BUDGET

List itemized expenditures by category for this funding request. Be specific. This information will be used to compile funding agreements for approved requests.

<u>Expenses</u>	
Line-Item Description	Cost
<u>Payroll – one part-time staff person</u>	<u>\$30,015</u>
<u>Office rent – annual</u>	<u>100</u>
<u>Insurance – workers comp & business</u>	<u>2,000</u>
<u>Telephone</u>	<u>600</u>
<u>See attached 2024 budget for additional breakdown</u>	<u>11,443</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>\$44,158</u>

<u>Revenues</u>		
Sources of Revenue	Funding Committed? Y/N	Amount
<u>City of Fruita</u>	<u>Pending</u>	<u>\$ 4,600</u>
<u>City of Grand Junction</u>	<u>Pending</u>	<u>17,977</u>
<u>Town of Palisade</u>	<u>Pending</u>	<u>3,604</u>
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TOTAL REVENUES		<u>\$26,181</u>



ORGANIZATION CERTIFICATION:

I certify that One Riverfront (organization) is an eligible agency for receipt of funds pursuant to Section 2 of the City of Fruita Outside Agency Funding Policy (Exhibit B); that all information reported in this application and attached is true, accurate and complete; that I am authorized to make application on behalf of the above organization and have been designated as such by the Board of Directors; and that I will provide written notice of any changes or additions to this information.

I understand the organization may need to make a brief presentation and/or provide additional information during the evaluation process and that a written agreement will be required if funds are awarded.

Signature: Michelle Rohrbach

Date: 09/25/2023

Title: Coordinator

ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED

- ☒ IRS Letter of Tax-Exempt Status under Section 501 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code unless organization is a governmental or quasi-governmental entity.
- ☒ Statement of support for this funding request from the board of directors or governing body of the organization
- ☒ Copy of budget for the current fiscal year (Note – If an electronic copy is available on your website, you may provide the URL in lieu of a hard copy)
- ☒ Copy of financial statements for most recent year (Note – If an electronic copy is available on your website, you may provide the URL in lieu of a hard copy)

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
DISTRICT DIRECTOR
1100 COMMERCE STREET
DALLAS, TX 75242-0000

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

APR 16 1992

Date: ---

Employer Identification Number:
84-1069605

Contact Person:
SHARI FLOWERS

Contact Telephone Number:
(214) 767-3526

COLORADO RIVERFRONT FOUNDATION INC
P O BOX ~~220~~ 2477
GRAND JUNCTION, CO 81502

Our Letter Dated:
June 27, 1988
Addendum Applies:
N/A

Dear Applicant:

This modifies our letter of the above date in which we stated that you would be treated as an organization that is not a private foundation until the expiration of your advance ruling period.

Your exempt status under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3) is still in effect. Based on the information you submitted, we have determined that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code because you are an organization of the type described in section 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

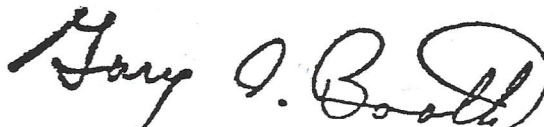
Grantors and contributors may rely on this determination unless the Internal Revenue Service publishes notice to the contrary. However, if you lose your section 509(a)(1) status, a grantor or contributor may not rely on this determination if he or she was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, or the substantial or material change on the part of the organization that resulted in your loss of such status, or if he or she acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would no longer be classified as a section 509(a)(1) organization.

If we have indicated in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your private foundation status, please keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown above.

Sincerely yours,



Gary O. Booth
District Director

Letter 1050(DO/CG)



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September 19, 2023

City of Fruita
City Council Members
325 E. Aspen
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RE: Grant application for 2024 funding for One Riverfront

Dear City Council Members for the City of Fruita:

One Riverfront has been actively participating since 1987, in a county-wide Riverfront Project of trails and open space. We would like to continue working with our government partners and elected officials on this vision. Our partnerships have allowed the Riverfront Project to become a great, multi community-connector. We ask for your continued financial support.

One Riverfront is comprised of the Colorado Riverfront Commission, the working arm and the Colorado Riverfront Foundation, Inc., (RFF) a 503(c) non-profit. We still have missing links to finish the Riverfront Project connection to Palisade. Our priority connections are west from Palisade to Clifton and east from Palisade to the Cameo Education and Shooting Complex, and to the James M. Robb Colorado State Park – Island Acres.

The quality of life and healthy lifestyles we all pursue are enhanced by the Riverfront Project. One Riverfront sees the project as an economic boost. Visitors, tourists and businesses that might relocate to the Grand Valley, can see the value of the Riverfront Project as well.

We strongly support One Riverfront's grant request to the City of Fruita for \$4,600. We would also like to point out that One Riverfront is asking for the same amount of funding as 2023, which shows how fiscally responsible One Riverfront is with funding.

Sincerely,

David Varner

David Varner
Chair



September 20, 2023

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Dear Members of the Fruita City Council:

On behalf of the City of Grand Junction, please accept this letter for continued funding support of the Riverfront Commission. Your continued support of the Commission sends a strong message about the overall significance of this trail system to the entire Grand Valley.

The Riverfront Commission has proven to be a valuable partner in multiple capital projects along the Colorado River. Since 2020, the Riverfront Commission has supported projects such as the Monument Trail connection to the Lunch Loops trail, Dos Rios bike playground, the boat ramp at Las Colonias Park, as well as numerous Save-a-Life Jacket kiosks to help keep river visitors safe. While these are large projects, there are many smaller scale, daily projects that the Riverfront Commission does to create, support, and sustain our valuable transportation link throughout the valley.

Together with the City of Grand Junction, Town of Palisade, Mesa County, and Colorado State Parks, we have worked to develop one of the most valuable recreational amenities in our region. We look forward to continued growth and expansion along the trail system to connect both ends of the valley and provide an amazing asset to our community members and visitors alike. We will continue working on the vision that was established by the commission 30 years ago.

Thank you for your support in past years and for your consideration of future funding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ken Sherbenou".

Ken Sherbenou, Director
Grand Junction Parks and Recreation
kensh@gjcity.org
970.254.3881

One Riverfront Budget

2024 Budget

A/R

City of Grand Junction	\$ 17,977.00
Fruita	\$ 4,600.00
Mesa County*	\$ -
Palisade	\$ 3,604.00
Total A/R	\$ 26,181.00
Payroll & payroll taxes - one part-time staff	\$ 30,015.00
Bank Service Charges	\$ 100.00
Office Rent	\$ 100.00
Insurance	\$ 2,000.00
Telephone & long distance calling card	\$ 600.00
Postage & meter rental	\$ 900.00
Office Supplies	\$ 943.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 500.00
Awards	\$ 250.00
Meetings/Training/Seminars	\$ 1,250.00
Printing & Photocopying	\$ 2,500.00
Software/Website/Media	\$ 3,000.00
Promotion	\$ 1,500.00
Dues/Memberships/Publications	\$ 500.00
Total Expenses	\$ 44,158.00
	<u><u>\$ (17,977.00) **</u></u>

*Mesa County stopped funding One Riverfront in 2013. Their share would be \$17,977. One Riverfront works very hard to keep our budget as low as possible.

**The Riverfront Foundation when needed, steps in to cover One Riverfront's budget shortfall

One Riverfront Balance Sheet

As of September 30, 2023

Sep 30, 23

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

1150 · Alpine Bank 4,202.29

Total Checking/Savings 4,202.29

Total Current Assets 4,202.29

TOTAL ASSETS 4,202.29

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Other Current Liabilities

2100 · Payroll Liabilities 3,606.17

2110 · Direct Deposit Liabilities 2.00

2200 · FWT & FICA Payable -387.02

2300 · State Withholding -1,256.07

2400 · Unemployment Tax Payable -202.74

Total Other Current Liabilities 1,762.34

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Equity

3000 · Opening Bal Equity -3,607.62

3100 · Restricted Fund Balance 5,986.77

3900 · Unrestricted Fund Balance -717.49

Net Income 778.29

Total Equity 2,439.95

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 4,202.29

Profit & Loss

Ordinary Income/Expense

Income

4100 · Fruita 4,600.00

4200 · Grand Junction 17,977.00

4400 · Palisade 3,604.00

4500 · Interest Income 14.03

Total Income 26,195.03

Expense

5300 · Insurance 738.66

5900 · Rent 432.00

6100 · Telephone 225.00

6560 · Payroll Expenses 24,021.08

Total Expense 25,416.74

Net Ordinary Income 778.29

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