## Dear Grants Committee,

We are writing in support of Sandy and Hoodland Libraries and their proposed Outreach Vehicle. As people who are passionate about Parks and Trails in our community, we believe this project has the potential to make a real impact. The Parks & Recreation Department (including Senior Services) already partners with the Library on a number of programs out in the Community, such as the Longest Day Parkway, Teen and Senior Egghunts, and the Tree Lighting. The addition of an outreach vehicle will allow for more partnership opportunities between the Library and Parks & Recreation.

We understand that the Sandy and Hoodland Libraries have a large service area and that many people without reliable transportation have difficulty traveling to the library to utilize their resources. Children specifically need additional support in their learning endeavors.

Staff of the Sandy and Hoodland Public Libraries have thought of an effective solution. By purchasing an outreach vehicle, and bringing it out to our beautiful Parks and Trails, as well as, City events, the library will be able to offer city information, computer resources, library programs, and materials to the entire community. Adults can gain valuable computer skills, have access to the Internet, and checkout library materials. Children can learn STEM and Early Literacy skills, and check out homework and pleasure reading.

The potential impact of this project is significant. Adults will have a greater ability to utilize the Internet and computer resources, as well as check out pleasure reading. Children who have access to STEM and literacy activities have a higher chance of success in school and in life. Through implementation of this project, we can expect our community to become stronger through the use of our shared resources.

We believe that an Outreach Vehicle is the right solution for our community. Sandy and Hoodland Libraries has a proven record of success with programs and has the experience and expertise to execute this project with excellence. We look forward to working with them to create great routes and stops for their vehicle. Thank you for considering this proposal. Your support will make a meaningful difference in the lives of our community members.

Sincerely,