San Juan County Clean Energy Foundation

Grant Application

Review: July 1, 2024 Due: July 1, 2024

Information Needed:

Program/Project Information

Program/Project Name: San Juan County Drug Task Force Dog

Executive Director Name: Payton Palmer, Deputy

Primary Contact Person for this Proposal

Contact Person Name: Donna Blake

Contact Person Title: Director

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Grant Amount Requested: \$39,899.29

Application Details

Mission and vision statements, goals, and objectives (copy and paste into a box): Provide the organization or project's mission and vision statement, along with goals and objectives, and a brief history, successes, and challenges of the project/organization, if applicable.

The San Juan County Sheriff's Office is dedicated to providing effective, efficient, and professional law enforcement services to the citizens and visitors of San Juan County.

Our vision and goals are:

- Our principle standard is to protect life and property.
- We provide a safe, sanitary, and secure place of incarceration of convicted persons.
- We strive to maintain the highest level of public trust.
- We demand the highest level of honesty and integrity.
- We treat each other and the community with dignity and respect.
- Our employees and their families are our most valued assets.
- We value allied agency and community partnerships.

- We value personal and professional growth through education and training.
- We recognize the importance of investing in the future of our community's children.
- We recognize the diversity in our community as a strength.

Mental health and safety are two major issues within San Juan County. 29% of people with mental health issues abuse drugs or alcohol and over 59.3% of violent crimes are committed while a person is on drugs. A drug dog would help get drugs off the street, which would help the mental health and safety of our county.

The challenge without a dog is that we as deputies and officers have to have probable cause to search a vehicle. If we don't see or smell anything, we can't search a vehicle – even if we know there are drugs. A dog can smell up to 100,000 times better than humans. If a dog alerts to a vehicle, that is enough probable cause for a vehicle search.

Community Needs (copy and paste into a box): Provide reasoning why this project is important to San Juan County.

Drug poisoning deaths are the leading cause of injury death in Utah, outpacing deaths due to firearms, falls, and motor vehicle crashes. Ten Utahans die each week from drug overdose. Utah is particularly affected by illicit opioids, specifically fentanyl, which is responsible for 33% of the unintentional and undetermined drug poisoning deaths in the state. Blanding and Monticello have 14.7 deaths per 100,000 people due to drugs, while Wasatch county only has 12.9 (https://ibis.health.utah.gov/ibisph-view/indicator/view/PoiDth.SA.html). As you can see, drugs are not only a major problem in Utah, but in San Juan County as well.

San Juan County is home to one of the highways that is known to transport drugs from Mexico to some of the major cities in Utah, Colorado, and Wyoming. If we can take drugs off the streets, it will help mental health, deaths, and safety.

It is not just the use of drugs that taking drugs off the street helps. There is a direct correlation between narcotic use and other reported crimes within a given community. Robbery, theft, financial, assault, domestic violence, and overdoses are all directly affected by the use of narcotics. Reports suggest that approximately 70% of all property crimes are the result of drug abuse. Solution – take drugs off the streets and reduce crime. Enter – the Drug Dog.

The Drug Dog is an invaluable tool in taking illicit drugs off our streets, reducing crime, and protecting our communities from the adverse effects of drug abuse. Any Police Department employing a Narcotic Detector Dog will undoubtedly see the positive effects they bring to their respective communities.

Outcomes and Impact (copy and paste into a box): How will this be effective in advancing education, the environment, health-wellness, and economic advancement efforts of San Juan County.

The Role of Drug Detection K9s in Combating Drug Abuse

1. Enhanced Detection and Interdiction

- Drug detection K9s possess an extraordinary sense of smell, capable of detecting trace amounts of illegal substances that might be missed by human officers or technology.
- These dogs can be deployed in various environments, including schools, public transportation, and high-risk areas, to identify and intercept drugs before they reach the community.
- The presence of a K9 unit acts as a deterrent to drug trafficking and abuse, reducing the availability of illegal substances.

2. Supporting Investigations

- K9 units can expedite searches during investigations, increasing the efficiency and success rate of drug-related operations.
- Their ability to pinpoint drug locations reduces the need for extensive and intrusive searches, preserving resources and time.

Benefits to the Community

1. Reduction in Drug Overdoses and Related Crimes

- By intercepting drugs before they reach the streets, a K9 unit can directly contribute to a decrease in drug availability and subsequent overdoses.
- The presence of a drug detection dog can also reduce drug-related crimes, enhancing overall community safety.

2. Educational and Preventive Measures

- K9 units can participate in community outreach programs, visiting schools and community centers to educate the public about the dangers of drug abuse.
- Demonstrations by K9 units can raise awareness and encourage community members to collaborate with law enforcement in the fight against drugs.

Bridging the Gap: Positive Community-Police Interactions

1. Building Trust and Rapport

- Drug detection dogs often evoke positive reactions from the public, making them excellent ambassadors for law enforcement agencies.
- Community events featuring K9 demonstrations provide opportunities for residents to interact with officers in a non-confrontational setting, fostering trust and cooperation.

2. Humanizing the Police Force

- K9 units highlight the compassionate and dedicated aspects of law enforcement, showing that officers are committed to protecting and serving the community.
- The presence of K9s can soften the image of the police, making officers more approachable and relatable to the public.

As you can see, this investment will yield substantial benefits for public health, safety, and community trust. Together, we van make a decisive impact on the fight against drugs and build a stronger, more united community.

Please attach a budget breakdown of how the funds you requested will be spent (attachment).

Attach from Excel as a pdf.

The county has agreed to pay for the additional expenses that a K9 would incur and the additional time for their handler. They will also pay for the training at POST that will need to happen with the dog and their handler.

Other: Relevant attachments, pictures, website links, etc (attachment).

Letters of support and charts.

How did you hear about the San Juan County Clean Energy Foundation? Word of mouth

San Juan County K9 Grant

Expenses	Grant
Professional Services:	
Adlerhorst	10,667.25
Supplies:	
VLS - K9 Transport Unit	6,933.69
Food, Leashes	1,000.00
Vet Bills	2,000.00
Amazon - Dog Crate	125.99
Amazon - K9 Harness	49.96
Travel:	
California to Pick up K9	
Mileage	818.40
Motel	250.00
Per Diem	118.00
POST - 8 Weeks	
Deputy - Salary	9,472.00
Deputy - Benefits	4,262.40
Per Diem	1,888.00
Transportation	2,313.60
	\$ 39,899.29



June 10, 2024

To Whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter in support of the San Juan County Sheriff's Office getting a Drug Detection Canine. I speak as a former Canine Handler who worked with a drug detection dog.

Having a drug detection dog greatly improves an officer's ability to make a positive impact in our community. A dog can be used proactively to deter possession of drugs at school, place of employment or other areas as well as assist in finding drugs during traffic stops.

Using a K9 for searching in schools reduces the intrusiveness of a school search allowing for greater privacy while still detecting the presence of drugs.

A property trained K9 team (handler and dog) are very valuable. They can work together at special events and presentations to establish positive community relations with the police.

One argument I've heard in the past against detection dogs is the cost and they are only stopping drugs enroute to another destination. I would argue that other departments are stopping drugs with their dogs that could be destined for our communities.

I am a firm believer in the benefits of having a K9 program.

JJ Bradford ,Blanding Chief of Police

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my full support for the grant application submitted by the San Juan County Sheriff's Office to secure funding for a K9 drug dog. As the Mayor of Blanding City and a staunch advocate for our law enforcement agencies, I fully endorse this initiative, which is critical for maintaining the safety and security of our rural communities.

San Juan County, with its vast and diverse terrain, faces unique challenges in combating drug trafficking and related criminal activities. Our law enforcement officers work tirelessly to address these issues, but they require additional resources to effectively perform their duties. The introduction of a K9 drug dog would significantly enhance their capabilities in detecting and apprehending individuals involved in illegal drug operations.

A trained K9 unit would provide several vital benefits to our community:

- Enhanced Detection and Seizure of Illegal Drugs: A K9 drug dog can detect narcotics with exceptional accuracy, leading to increased drug seizures and a reduction in drug availability in our area.
- Deterrence of Criminal Activities: The presence of a K9 unit serves as a powerful deterrent against drug traffickers and other criminals, helping to prevent crime before it occurs.
- Increased Officer Safety: K9 units are trained to assist officers in potentially dangerous situations, thereby enhancing the safety of our law enforcement personnel.
- Community Engagement: K9 units often play a crucial role in community outreach programs, fostering positive relationships between law enforcement and residents.

The acquisition of a K9 drug dog is not just a tactical enhancement; it is a strategic investment in the long-term safety and well-being of San Juan County's citizens. My support for this initiative is strong, and I am confident that it will yield significant benefits.

As the Mayor of Blanding City, I am committed to supporting our law enforcement agencies at both the city and county levels. The addition of a K9 drug dog aligns with our broader goal of ensuring a safe and secure environment for all residents. I strongly urge you to consider this grant application favorably and provide the necessary funding to support this critical initiative.



Thank you for your time and consideration. Should you require any further information or wish to discuss this matter in more detail, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Logan Monson Blanding City Mayor

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The Land Above the Carryons

6/10/2024

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to offer my strong endorsement for the San Juan County Sheriff's Office's grant application to secure funding for a K9 unit specialized in drug detection. As the Mayor of Monticello, I am a steadfast supporter of our law enforcement efforts and believe this initiative is vital for protecting the well-being of our rural communities.

San Juan County's vast and varied landscape presents unique challenges in the fight against drug trafficking and associated crimes. Despite the dedication and hard work of our law enforcement officers, they need more resources to enhance their effectiveness. Introducing a K9 unit would significantly improve their ability to detect and apprehend those involved in illegal drug activities.

The acquisition of a K9 drug dog is not merely a tactical enhancement; it is a strategic investment in the long-term safety and well-being of San Juan County's citizens. My support for this initiative is strong, and I am confident that it will yield significant benefits.

As the Mayor of Monticello, I am dedicated to supporting our law enforcement agencies at all levels. Adding a K9 drug dog aligns with our broader objective of ensuring a secure and safe environment for all residents. I urge you to consider this grant application favorably and provide the essential funding for this critical initiative.

Thank you for considering this request. If you need further information or wish to discuss this matter in more detail, please feel free to contact me.

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Mayor of Monticello

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Qty	Description	U/M	Cost	Total
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Quote is valid for 60 days from date of Quote

Subtotal	\$9,900.00
Sales Tax (7.75%)	\$767.25
Total	\$10,667.25



Quotation

Date	Quotation #
6/3/24	16886

Customer

San Juan Co. Sheriff 297 S Main St. Monticello, UT 84535

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F2	K9 Heat Alarm System w/Pager			1	1,079.99	1,079.997	
Installation Supplies	Installation Hardware			1	185.00	185.007	
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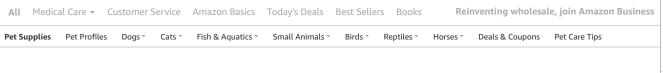
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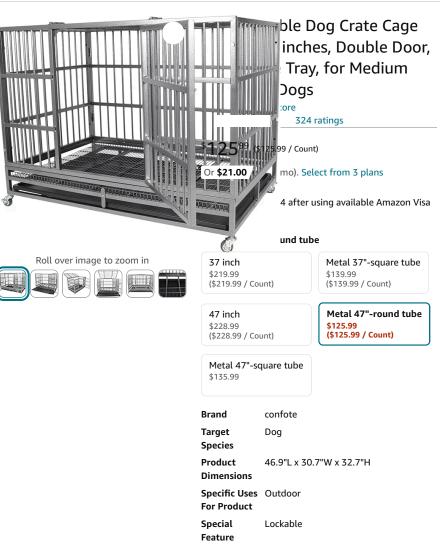
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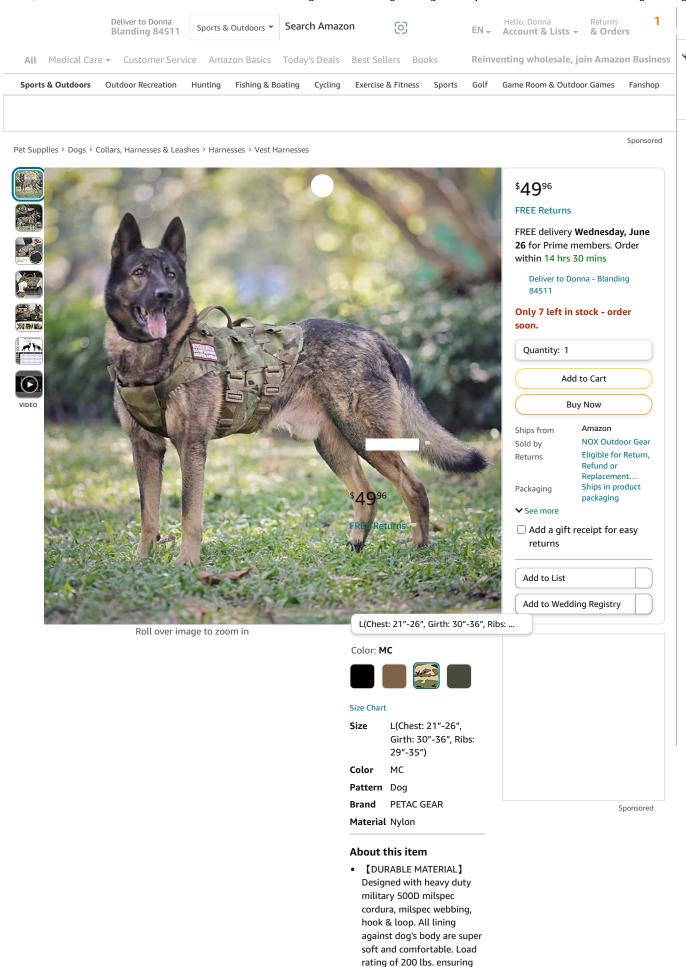


About this item

- Sturdy Construction: Crafted with durable materials, this 47-inch dog crate cage kennel offers a robust and indestructible design for medium and large dogs.
- Double Door Access: The dog cage has a two-door design that allows your furry friends to get in and out easily from the front and top.
- · Removable Tray: Equipped with a removable plastic tray for easy cleaning and maintenance, ensuring a hygienic living space.
- Spacious Interior: Measuring 47 inches, this crate provides ample room for your dog to move around comfortably and stretch out. Cage Size: 46.9"L X 30.7"W X 32.7"H.
- · Versatile Usage: Ideal for crate training, travel, or as a secure den for your beloved pet when you're away from home.



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