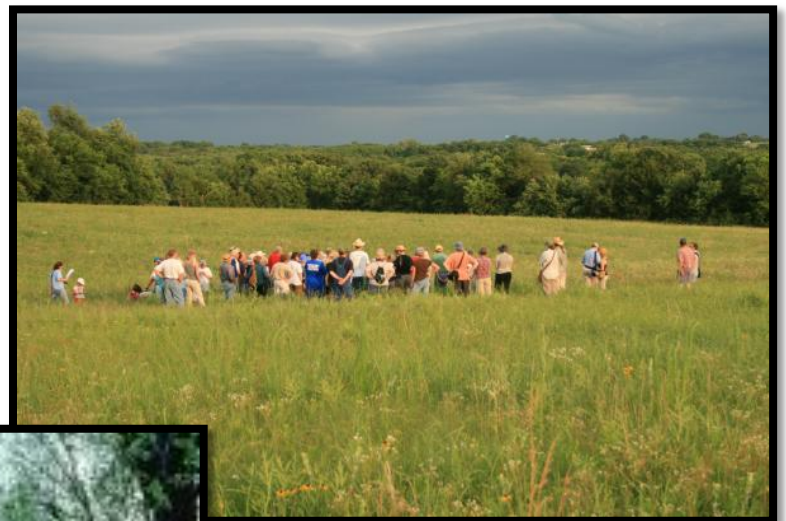


Natural & Cultural Heritage Grant Program

MAJOR Project Application

2011



The Douglas County Commission allocated \$350,000 for the 2011 County budget to assist with the development and creation of natural and cultural heritage conservation projects. As part of this process, the Douglas County Commission created the Natural & Cultural Heritage Task Force in the fall of 2011 with the objective of recommending the process for awarding the allocated money.

The grant application materials are designed to be straight forward enough to encourage grant submissions from a wide variety of interests. Individuals, organizations and businesses can apply. The amount of detail and verification required should be dependent in part on the amount of the request. At the same time, applicants should provide enough information to demonstrate their ability to carry out and accomplish the purpose for which they are requesting public funds. The grant application should convey what is expected in terms of the requirements for eligibility and the desired outcomes.

This packet is the application for a **MAJOR PROJECT**. The Natural & Cultural Heritage Task Force has defined a major project as a proposal requesting at least \$105,000. Please refer to pages 8-9 of the *Natural & Cultural Heritage Task Force's Final Report* to learn how heritage applications will be evaluated.

The Heritage Conservation Council may contact applicants for further information, and all Major Project applications will include a 5 minute oral presentation to the Heritage Conservation Council.

Grant monies will be distributed to each grant recipient under terms of a performance agreement between the recipient and Douglas County.

If you have any additional questions or concerns please contact:

Heritage Conservation Council
Douglas County Courthouse
1100 Massachusetts Street, 2nd Level
Lawrence, KS 66044
785-832-5268

To apply, please send your application to the above address by Friday, September 23, 2011 by the close of the business day. Include as much information as possible about the proposed project. You may attach additional pages and any supplemental information if necessary. Electronic applications are encouraged.

Section 1: Applicant Information

Please fill out the following:

Name of Applicant or Organization:

Name of Organization's Director (if different from above)

Address:

Email:

Phone #

Cell Phone #

Section 2: Project Information

Project Title:

Address of Project (include township if applicable):

Names of individuals/organization that own the property:

Contact Information for those individuals and/or groups:

Project Description Summary:

Number of Acres:

\$

Amount Requested

\$

Project Budget

Scope of project:

(Please check all that apply)

Historic Structures

Prairie; woodlands, waterways; habitat restoration/preservation

Agriculture; working farms; heritage farms

Freedom's Frontier themes (Civil War and pre-Civil War heritage; Settlement stories before and after Civil War; Enduring struggle for freedom)

Pre-settlement history

Section 3: Project Description

- a) Specifically explain the proposed project, including any regulations, guidelines, or best practices that will be followed. What do you plan to do? When? How? Photos, plans, drawings, illustrations, building condition reports or building inspections that are related to the proposed project may be included separately as support materials.

b) Describe the natural and cultural heritage significance of the project, structure, and/or property?

c) Please describe how this project provides a substantial benefit for the conservation of Douglas County natural and cultural resources?

d) If applicable, please describe the condition of the property and include photos.

e) Please describe the urgency of the project.

f) Describe the expected timeline for completion of this project.

g) How will this project connect the physical sites and interpretative stories of Douglas County?

Section 4: Community Impact

a) Describe how the project contributes to maintaining or enhancing Douglas County's heritage.

b) If applicable, will you allow public access to the facility/property?

Yes

No

Please explain your response above.

c) Please describe the public benefit derived from this project.

d) Will the project incorporate any educational programs?

Yes

No

Please explain your response above.

Section 5: Project Costs

a) What are the estimated costs (acquisition, rehabilitation, etc...) for this project? Please include any estimates or bids that have been completed. If the budget presented in this application is a preliminary budget arrived at without firm bids, explain how the cost estimates were determined.

b) How will this project be sustained once the project is completed? For instance, how will on-going maintenance costs be financed?

c) Explain if there are any other resources you intend to use in order to complete this project. This may include other sources of funding, loans, or in-kind contributions.

d) How is this project unique to Douglas County?

Section 6: Signature

Signature

Date