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Subject: 2013 Proposal for Historic Preservation Grant Funds
Attachments: 905 New Hampshire.pdf; 2013 Historic Grant.docx

Mr. Corliss,

We at the Social Service League would like to submit this proposal to utilize a part of the funds available through the Historic Preservation Grant within the City of Lawrence. Included is our proposal, list of current board of directors, EIN number and projected project budget. We have not included our latest audit and tax return or pictures of the proposed project space, but both are available should the City deem them necessary.

Thank you so much for this opportunity! The Social Service League enjoys serving the community of Lawrence and hopes to continue having such a positive relationship in the future!

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Proposal to Utilize a \$50,000.00 Historic Preservation Grant Funds within the City of Lawrence

Name of Organization: Social Service League of Lawrence
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Board Members/Property Owners: see attached

History of Organization: The Social Service League of Lawrence (SSL) is one of Lawrence's oldest and most enduring charities. It currently operates a direct and immediate needs-based thrift store, which uses donations from the community to offer clothes and resources to those in need. In addition to the immediate needs give-away programs (which includes clothes for kids, back to work outfits, and transitional clothing), the SSL also funds an eye program for kids in the Lawrence school district that provides eye exams and glasses for schoolchildren in need. It also supplies hygiene products, such as soap and razors, blankets, sleeping bags and other necessities to those experiencing homelessness in our community. Though there are many excellent resources in Lawrence for these problems, there will always be those who fall through the cracks for one reason or another, and the SSL tries to address the needs of these people with compassion, dignity and immediacy.

The SSL's presence in Lawrence began in the aftermath of the devastating Quantrill's Raid. While not a formal institution yet, the creators of the SSL coordinated the donations and generosity from surrounding communities and helped victims of the raid gain access to the resources they needed. The house currently owned by the SSL Board of Directors at 905 Rhode Island was constructed for residential purposes in 1891. In 1930 the SSL purchased the property and began operating out of that space. Shortly after the purchase, an adjacent building was constructed as a canning kitchen. This is the square structure next to the alley. Since its purchase in 1930, the space at 905 Rhode Island has seen a canning kitchen, a sewing room, a Peace and Nonviolence Library, and a thrift store come through its doors. While minor repairs have been done throughout the years, the space at 905 Rhode Island suffers from the wear of many decades.

Because the over 100 year-old building has never been insulated, the SSL is unable to sustainably heat the buildings and must keep temperatures around 50 degrees during the winter. It also means that the thrift store cannot open its doors in extreme conditions, such as temperatures over 100 degrees or below freezing. These are often the times when SSL clients have the greatest need. If the buildings were to be more stalwart against the elements, the SSL would be able to increase its outreach to those in need and offer a more secure space for community members to frequent.

Project Proposal: The proposal of the Social Service League is to insulate and drywall the outer interior walls of the first and second floors of the buildings facing Rhode Island St., replace the drywall on the inner interior walls in the same spaces, and install an acoustic ceiling.

Schedule of Costs: The costs for the proposed plan would be incurred during the same time frame. Since the same company will be performing all the repairs, our cost schedule will be fairly straightforward and largely dictated by the building schedule of qualified professionals at Hi-Tech Interiors.

Timeline of Completion: Because the League is currently not operating out of the space at 905 New Hampshire, we would be able to begin work as soon as possible. The company who has proposed the budget for the project, Hi-Tech Interiors, is also working with First Management and will be available to work with us as they work on the site adjacent to us. However, our timeline would also coincide with the completion of the project on the alleyway building, meaning we would complete the proposed restorations by the end of 2014.

Furthering Historic Preservation: The Social Service League has faithfully served the community of Lawrence for 150 years. It has watched this city's growth and tried to aid in its continuing development. The SSL has long been a staple in East Lawrence and, since its temporary move to the former Allen Press Inc building at 11th and New Hampshire, has been reaching a much broader audience. Currently on the Lawrence Register of Historic Places, the SSL represents the long-standing tradition of goodwill in the Lawrence community.

Additionally, the limestone building offers an excellent example of the architectural diversity present in Lawrence. With the new hotel emerging at the corner of 9th and New Hampshire and the recently designated Cultural District, which includes the Social Service League, the restoration of 905 Rhode Island could not come at a better time, both for the city of Lawrence and the SSL itself. A rehabilitation of 905 Rhode Island would help fulfill Article 1, Section 102 in the "Conservation of Historic Resources Code," wherein it tasks the City with "(f)ostering and encouraging preservation, restoration, and rehabilitation of structures..." as well as "(e)nhancing the attractiveness of the city to residents, current and prospective home owners, visitors, and shoppers."

Potential of Completion: The Social Service League finds itself in a uniquely qualified position in terms of completing this project in a timely manner. Because of the recent temporary relocation of space to 11th and New Hampshire, the structures at 905 Rhode Island are empty. If awarded this generous grant, it would be possible to begin rehabilitation of 905 Rhode Island immediately. The SSL has two employees and nine board members who are all dedicated to the success and completion of this project. With the buildings currently uninhabited, it would allow work to be completed quickly and smoothly, and for the SSL to continue uninterrupted delivery of services from the temporary location.

Also, Hi-Tech Interiors, the company responsible for submitting the budget for the insulation and drywall repair of 905 Rhode Island, is also working with First Management, the larger business responsible for the SSL's temporary relocation and repair of the alleyway structure at 905 Rhode Island, on their work at 9th and New Hampshire. This means that Hi-Tech Interiors would be more apt to meet construction deadlines due to the increased flexibility of working on related projects.

Recently Completed Projects:

- 1) Construction of a covered porch over the west side of the south building to protect entry to the basement. Completed in 2010
- 2) Floors on first floor of south building refinished. Completed in July 2013.

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PROPOSAL

December 11, 2013

Proposal to: Social Services League
Kendra Davis

Project: 935 New Hampshire

Scope: We hereby submit estimates for all labor and materials involved in the following: Frame exterior wall with 2 1/2 20GA studs 16"O.C. insulate with R-13-16-UF at exterior walls only, Hang and finish drywall at all walls with new 1/2" drywall. Install Suspended ceilings using USG grid and based off of USG 2310 2x4 tile.

1 st Floor Main building	\$ 5,800.00
2 nd floor Main building	\$ 4,800.00
1 st floor 2 nd building	\$ 6,450.00
2 nd floor 2 nd building	\$ 4,550.00

Exclusions:

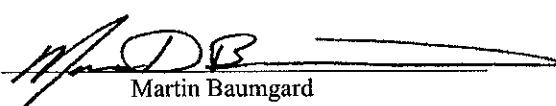
Clean up by us, haul off by others
No demolition
No caulking or grouting
No temporary heat/ electricity
No mold protection
No wood or blocking
Extra wires at lights and other services by others
No building wrap or felt

WE PROPOSE hereby to furnish material and labor – complete in accordance with the above specifications for the sum of:

*****\$21,600.00 U. S. Dollars*****

Fees for building permits and bonds (excluded)
Fees for Sales Tax New Construction (included)
Fees for Labor Insurance and Taxes (included)

Authorized Signature: _____


Martin Baumgard

Acceptance of Proposal - Terms: This proposal, including all provisions as shown, is valid for only 30 days, and when accepted by you becomes a contract in full force and effect.

Acceptance Date: _____ Signature: _____

Signature: _____