Outdoor Heritage Fund Grant Application

The purpose of the North Dakota Outdoor Heritage Fund is to provide funding to state agencies, tribal governments, political subdivisions, and nonprofit organizations to:

**Directive A.** Provide access to private and public lands for sportsmen, including projects that create fish and wildlife habitat and provide access for sportsmen;

**Directive B.** Improve, maintain, and restore water quality, soil conditions, plant diversity, animal systems and to support other practices of stewardship to enhance farming and ranching;

**Directive C.** Develop, enhance, conserve, and restore wildlife and fish habitat on private and public lands; and

**Directive D.** Conserve natural areas for recreation through the establishment and development of parks and other recreation areas.

**Exemptions**

Outdoor Heritage Fund grants may not be used to finance the following:

A. Litigation;
B. Lobbying activities;
C. Any activity that would interfere, disrupt, or prevent activities associated with surface coal mining operations; sand, gravel, or scoria extraction activities; oil and gas operations; or other energy facility or infrastructure development;
D. The acquisition of land or to encumber any land for a term longer than twenty years; or
E. Projects outside this state or projects that are beyond the scope of defined activities that fulfill the purposes of Chapter 54-17.8 of the North Dakota Century Code

**NO CONSIDERATION:**

In addition to those specific items in law that are ineligible for funding, in the absence of exceptional circumstances, the following projects will **NOT** receive consideration for funding:

- Projects that are already completed;
- Projects that are on-going (Phased projects would be considered);
- Staffing;
- Feasibility studies;
- Annual maintenance;
- Paving projects for roads and parking lots;
- Swimming pools;
- Non-permanent equipment (such as tractors, snowmobiles);
- Research;
- Projects where the applicant is not directly involved in the project.

**Application Deadline**

Applications for the second grant round cycle are due on **April 1, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. CT**. All information, including attachments, must be submitted by that date. See instructions below for submission information.
Instructions
Please download this Word document (available on the Industrial Commission/Outdoor Heritage Fund Program website at [http://www.nd.gov/ndic/outdoor-infopage.htm](http://www.nd.gov/ndic/outdoor-infopage.htm)) to your computer and provide the information as requested. You are not limited to the spacing provided except in those instances where there is a limit on the number of words. After completing the application, save it and attach it to an e-mail and send it to outdoorheritage@nd.gov or print it and mail it to the address noted in the next paragraph.

Attachments in support of your application may be sent by mail to North Dakota Industrial Commission, ATTN: Outdoor Heritage Fund Program, State Capitol – Fourteenth Floor, 600 East Boulevard Ave. Dept. 405, Bismarck, ND 58505 or by e-mail to outdoorheritage@nd.gov. The application and all attachments must be received or postmarked by the application deadline. You will be sent a confirmation by e-mail of receipt of your application.

You may submit your application at any time prior to the application deadline. Early submission is appreciated and encouraged to allow adequate time to review your application and ensure that all required information has been included. Incomplete applications may not be considered for funding. *Any item noted with an * is required.*

**Oral Presentation.** Please note that you will be given an opportunity to make a ten-minute Oral Presentation at a meeting of the Outdoor Heritage Fund Advisory Board. These presentations are strongly encouraged.

**Open Record.** Please note that your application and any attachments will be open records as defined by law and will be posted on the Industrial Commission/Outdoor Heritage Fund website.

Name of Organization * Gackle Park Board

Federal Tax ID# * 45-6002566

Contact Person/Title * Samantha Remboldt/Park Board Treasurer and City Auditor

Address * PO Box 224

City * Gackle

State * North Dakota

Zip Code * 58442

E-mail Address * citygackle2@daktel.com
Web Site Address (Optional) none

Phone * 701-485-3331 (City Hall) or 701-485-3672 (Home)

Fax # (if available) none

List names of co-applicants if this is a joint proposal

**MAJOR Directive:** (select the Directive that best describes your grant request)*
Choose only one response

- **Directive A.** Provide access to private and public lands for sportsmen, including projects that create fish and wildlife habitat and provide access for sportsmen;

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**Additional Directive:** (select the directives that also apply to the grant application purpose)*
Choose all that apply

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- **Directive D.** Conserve natural areas for recreation through the establishment and development of parks and other recreation areas.
Type of organization: *(select the category that describes your organization)*

- State Agency
- Political Subdivision
- Tribal Entity
- **X Tax-exempt, nonprofit corporation.**

Project Name * Play land Dream

Abstract/Executive Summary. **An Executive Summary of the project stating its objectives, expected results, duration, total project costs and participants.** *(no more than 500 words)*

The objective of this project would be to replace our parks current playground equipment. Our parks current playground equipment is made of wood. It is roughly 30 years old or older. The wood is rotting and damaged. We have replaced wooden pieces that have broken to prevent accidents, but the whole structure is deteriorating. This play area has steps to go up to a landing, and the hand railing is so high a child could fall through. And below the steps (in between the steps and slide) are old steal sand diggers. My fear is a child falling from the steps onto the steal sand diggers and being seriously injured. The bridge attached to the landing is on chains and boards. I have seen kids get their feet stuck between the boards of the bridge. Fingers have been pinched in the chains. The park board recently re-stained the structure and replaced boards to help with weathering and splinters. The railing around the top of the structure has spacing large enough for a child to fall through.

The park is a very busy place during the summer months, but even during the winter, there are still children at the park playing.

We would love to update our park equipment to meet safety standards and last for many years to come. If our park board would receive the funding of this grant, equipment would be ordered immediately, as funding for this kind of project is not available without this grant. From the time the equipment is ordered, shipping would take 3 to 5 weeks, and assembly with project volunteers and park board members could take at most, 6 weeks.

Project Duration: * 3 months

Amount of Grant request $ * 25,500

Total Project Costs $* 32,000
(Note that in-kind and indirect costs can be used for matching funds)
A minimum of 25% Match Funding is strongly encouraged. Amount of Matching Funds $ 6,500.00
Please indicate if the matching funds will be in-kind, indirect or cash.

Our park board would be able to write a check for the matching funds, as we have some money set aside in our money market savings account.

Source(s) of Matching Funds
Please provide verification that these matching funds are available for your project.

As the park board treasurer, and Gackle City Auditor, I can assure these funds are available.

Certifications
X I certify that this application has been made with the support of the governing body and chief executive of my organization. Samantha Remboldt

X I certify that if awarded grant funding none of the funding will be used for any of the exemptions noted on Page 1 of this application. Samantha Remboldt

Narrative

Organization Information – Briefly summarize your organization's history, mission, current programs and activities.
Include an overview of your organizational structure, including board, staff and volunteer involvement. (no more than 300 words)

The Gackle Park Boards objective to our community is to make sure our parks are well maintained, cleaned and safe for all of our visitors and members to our community. The park is heavily supported and well used by everyone. The funding of this grant will help bring the equipment up to date and to safety regulations. Our Park Board is conducted of volunteers that have been voted in by the community. The committee meets once a month in a public building, these meetings are open to the public, to discuss the status of our parks, what needs to be done at the parks, who is going to complete the project/projects at the parks, and what we would like to see done in our parks. This committee makes sure any upkeep that needs done on the equipment in the park is completed. Our park board employs several employees during the summer months to help with the upkeep of our parks as well as our swimming pool. During the summer months, our park board provides t-ball and softball league programs along with swimming lessons (if there is enough interest). During the Fourth of July celebration our community provides every year, there is open swimming at our swimming pool as well as many activities and games held in the park for all ages. Our community even gets a live band to perform during that celebration in the park.
Purpose of Grant – Describe the proposed project identifying how the project will meet the specific directive(s) of the Outdoor Heritage Fund Program *
Identify project goals, strategies and benefits and your timetable for implementation. Include information about the need for the project and whether there is urgency for funding. Please indicate if this is a new project or if it is replacing funding that is no longer available to your organization. Identify any innovative features or processes of your project.

The goal of the project is to provide playground equipment for members of the community, surrounding communities and visitors. Our community has a Fourth of July celebration every year with activities, games and a picnic held in our park. People like to have birthday parties at the park as well. I believe it would benefit our visitors and members of the communities to have quality safe playground equipment for a variety of all ages. Our goal would be to complete this project by the end of fall 2015 if not sooner. Without the funding of this grant, our Park Board does not have the funding to purchase larger play equipment. Many residents that grew up in or around the Gackle area, and have once moved away, are moving back with their families. With younger families moving into our area, we can see new equipment being well used for many years to come.

Management of Project – Provide a description of how you will manage and oversee the project to ensure it is carried out on schedule and in a manner that best ensures its objectives will be met.*
Include a brief background and work experience for those managing the project.

I would ensure the completion of this project in a timely fashion as our current playground equipment is outdated and slowly deteriorating. As a community, we would have volunteers to help us complete this project in a timely manner for the children. It would be important for the kids to see this equipment being placed.

Evaluation – Describe your plan to document progress and results.*
How will you tell if the project is successful? Please be specific on the methods you will utilize to measure success. Note that regular reporting, final evaluation and expenditure reports will be required for every grant awarded.

Being a member of this community, I am at the park several times a day with my children. I enjoy watching families and visitors visit our park to play, picnic and see our community. I think it would help children of all ages come together and enjoy our local park area.

Financial Information

ATTACHMENT: Project Budget – Using the standard project budget format that is available on the website at [http://www.nd.gov/ndic/outdoor-infopage.htm](http://www.nd.gov/ndic/outdoor-infopage.htm), please include a detailed total project budget that specifically outlines all the funds you are requesting. Note that a minimum of 25% match funding is strongly encouraged.*
The project budget should identify all matching funds, funding sources and indicate whether the matching funds are in the form of cash or in-kind services. As noted on the standard project budget format, certain values have been identified for in-kind services. Please utilize these values in identifying your matching funds. **NOTE: No indirect costs will be funded.**

**X I certify that a project budget will be sent to the Commission** Samantha Remboldt

**Sustainability – Indicate how the project will be funded or sustained in future years.**

Include information on the sustainability of this project after all the funding from the Outdoor Heritage Fund has been expended and whether the sustainability will be in the form of ongoing management or additional funding from a different source.

When the playground equipment is placed, it would be maintained by the volunteer park board members. The funding comes from local community support and tax levy collections.

**Partial Funding – Indicate how the project will be affected if less funding is available than that requested.**

The Park Board Committee has identified this project as a high priority and we will continue to search for the resources to complete it. If the park board would not get this grant, we would look for local community support, local utilities, alumni and other private foundations.

**Partnership Recognition - If you are a successful recipient of Outdoor Heritage Fund dollars, how would you recognize the Outdoor Heritage Fund partnership?**

We would be more that delighted to place a thank you in the local paper and surrounding papers. We would share photos of the completed project. We have plaques on a wall in our park with donors’ names, and would have one made with North Dakota Outdoor Heritage Funds name on it.

**Scoring of Grants**

All applications will be scored by the Outdoor Heritage Fund Advisory Board after your ten-minute oral presentation. The ranking sheet(s) that will be used by the Board is available on the website at [http://www.nd.gov/ndic/outdoor-infopage.htm](http://www.nd.gov/ndic/outdoor-infopage.htm).

**Awarding of Grants**

All decisions on requests will be reported to applicants no later than 30 days after Industrial Commission consideration. Applicants whose proposals have been approved will receive a contract outlining the terms and conditions of the grant. Please note the appropriate sample contract for your organization on the website at [http://www.nd.gov/ndic/outdoor-infopage.htm](http://www.nd.gov/ndic/outdoor-infopage.htm) that set forth the general provisions that will be included in any contract issued by the North Dakota Industrial Commission. Please indicate if you can meet all the provisions of the sample contract. If there are provisions in that contract that your organization is unable to
meet, please indicate below what those provisions would be. * I believe we could meet those criteria.

Responsibility of Recipient

The recipient of any grant from the Industrial Commission must use the funds awarded for the specific purpose described in the grant application and in accordance with the contract. The recipient cannot use any of the funds for the purposes stated under Exemptions on the first page of this application.

If you have any questions about the application or have trouble submitting the application, please contact Karlene Fine at 701-328-3722 or kfine@nd.gov

Revised August 21, 2014
Budget Standard Form

Please use the table below to provide a detailed total project budget that specifically outlines all the funds you are requesting and the matching funds being utilized to fund this project. Please note if the matching funds are in the form of cash, indirect costs or in-kind services. The budget should identify all other committed funding sources and the amount of funding from each source. Match can come from any source (i.e. private sources, State and Federal funding, Tribal funding, etc.) Note a minimum of 25% match funding is strongly encouraged. An application will be scored higher the greater the amount of match funding provided. (See Scoring Form.)

Please feel free to add columns and rows as needed. Please include narrative to fully explain the proposed budget.

Note that NO INDIRECT COSTS will be funded from the Outdoor Heritage Fund. Also by law several items are ineligible for funding — see Exemptions in the Application Form. Effective January 29, 2014 the following guidelines were approved by the Industrial Commission:

NO CONSIDERATION:
In addition to those specific items in law that are ineligible for funding, in the absence of exceptional circumstances, the following projects will NOT receive consideration for funding:

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In-kind services used to match the request for Outdoor Heritage Fund dollars shall be valued as follows:

- Labor costs $15.00 an hour
- Land costs Average rent costs for the county as shown in the most
Permanent Equipment

Any equipment purchased must be listed separately with documentation showing actual cost. (For example: playground equipment)

Equipment usage

Seed & Seedlings

Transportation

Supplies & materials

Actual documentation

Mileage at federal rate

Actual documentation

Recent publication of the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Services, North Dakota Field Office

More categories will be added as we better understand the types of applications that will be submitted. We will use as our basis for these standards other State and Federal programs that have established rates. For example the North Dakota Nonpoint Source Pollution Management Program has established rates. If your project includes work that has an established rate under another State Program please use those rates and note your source.

Approved by OHF Advisory Board: October 17, 2013
Approved by Industrial Commission: October 22, 2013
Revised by OHF Advisory Board: January 22, 2014
Approved by Industrial Commission: January 29, 2014
Revised by OHF Advisory Board: May 13, 2014
Approved by Industrial Commission: May 27, 2014
City of Gackle

From: Cebe Schneider <cebes@ndsupernet.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2015 12:49 PM
To: citygackle2@daktel.com
Cc: 'Bruce Schneider'
Subject: Quote and picture for playground
Attachments: Miracle Playground for Gackle 001.jpg; BC6Builders Gackle Quote.docx

Samantha-
Let me know if I can do anything else for you. 😊
I look forward to hearing back from you!
Cebe
**TOTS' CHOICE**

**718-S103 APPROX $14,500**

**FOR AGES 2-12**

**PROTECTIVE AREA:** 33' x 30' (10.1m x 9.1m)

**SHIPPING WEIGHT:** 1,750 lbs (793.8 kg)

**ELEVATED PLAY ACTIVITIES:** 7

**GROUND LEVEL PLAY ACTIVITIES:** 3

**PLAY AREA CAPACITY:** 40-50

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**TOTS' CHOICE**

**718-S136 APPROX $24,000**

**FOR AGES 2-12**

**PROTECTIVE AREA:** 39' x 36' (11.9m x 11m)

**SHIPPING WEIGHT:** 4,600 lbs (2,086.6 kg)

**ELEVATED PLAY ACTIVITIES:** 7

**GROUND LEVEL PLAY ACTIVITIES:** 2

**PLAY AREA CAPACITY:** 45-55
Gackle Park
Gackle, ND 58442
Att: Samantha

QUOTE

Miracle Tots Choice #718-S136 ages 2-12  $24,000

FREIGHT  $1,500

TOTAL  $25,500*

Color selection to be made by Gackle.

* TOTALS / TAXES * The above total amount does NOT include SALES TAXES and any applicable sales taxes will apply on ALL ORDERS unless a valid Sales Tax Exemption # certificate or Resell Form is submitted with the payment.
*Does not include unloading, storage, surfacing, installation, borders, site work, drain tile or any other items not specifically listed.