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- Told her we would place on the
Agenda for next meeting. *g*
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GRANT APPLICATION. Due Dates April 15th and November 1st

Date: October 12, 2012

Name of Organization (must match IRS 501(c)(3) designation) ***UW-Platteville Cont. Education is our financial book keeper.***

Address: ***Community Leadership Alliance – Paul Ohlrogge, 303 West Chapel St, UWEX, Dodgeville, WI 53533***

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Person Responsible for the Grant: ***Julie Stephenson - CLA Coordinator***

Position in the Organization: ***Coordinator***

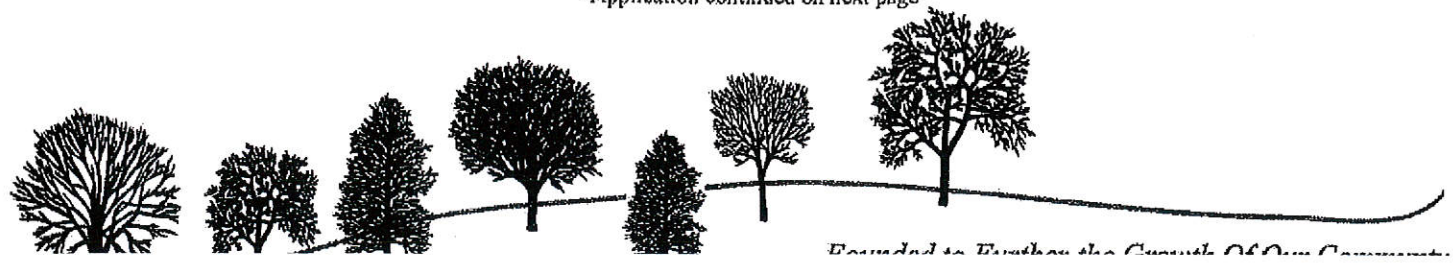
Organization's Purpose:

The Community Leadership Alliance's mission is to develop a base of informed and motivated community-minded leaders. The program's goal is to build alliances to unify communities throughout Southwest Wisconsin.

This application must include your organization's latest IRS Letter of Determination showing exemption and public support status. (Not required for units of Government & public schools).

Grant Request \$ 1,200 ***(If we are awarded the Check can be made out to UW-Platteville Cont Education)***

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The Community Leadership Alliance has applied to the Biddick Foundation for financial support previously, though it has been several years now. The Biddick foundation was one of the original funders when The CLA program started 14 years ago. We are now entering our 14 consecutive year of offering the CLA program in SW-WI. We have nearly 390 alumni from over 39 different communities in the region.

This next year we are looking at re-developing our curriculum. We are planning to use a new text book called "Strengths Finder" by Tom Rath. The book instructs each participant to do an on-line (Web based) assessment. The tool highlights the 5 most significant leadership traits that each individual brings to the area of leadership. It is a really great tool.

The CLA boards of directors have participated with the Strength Finder and feel confident that this would be a great fit for our program. We are planning on using Strength Finder for the next 2 years.

We understand that the Biddick Foundation prefers to fund tangible resources. We are asking the Biddick Foundation for \$1200 as this will purchase 60 Strength Finder books. We use 30 books each year in the CLA program.

We would put the Biddick Foundation logo in the cover of each book and indicate the sponsorship of your organization.

Time of Schedule: We are planning to purchase these books in the next month December 2012.

Other Sources of Funding: We have historically received funding from numerous foundations and local granting organizations – below are just a few of the most recent

- Clare Family Foundation
- Alliant Utilities Foundation
- Benton State Bank
- Badgerland Farm Credit
- Talmer Bank
- M & I Foundation
- Community Foundation of SW WI
- UW-Platteville Foundation
- Scenic Rivers

Describe the effect of postponing your request to another time: We are hopeful that we will be able to do this with our next class starting in January of 2013. It is somewhat time sensitive. Our class runs from January thru June. We meet on the last Wednesday of the month for 6 straight months.

Describe who, when, how and where will the effects of this grant be felt: I am enclosing a copy of our 10 Year Anniversary Report. This report was the culmination of a yearlong evaluation of the CLA Program. The grants that we receive serve this program. Without our sponsors the program would fail to exist.

The long term effect is measurable. Our alumni have indicated that what they have learned is important and has helped them in the work place, community and the places where they volunteer. The collective work of all these past and future leaders has incredible potential for community betterment and impact.

Organization activities, service and composition – Please read through the 10 Year Anniversary Report. We also have new web page -

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/leadership/>

Our Board of Directors meets monthly on the first Thursday morning. Our meeting agendas routinely cover – class recruitment, curriculum updates, new inspiring stories on leadership, new initiatives and alumni relations.

Our monthly classes cover interesting topics that we feel lead to specific skill development. These topics include:

- Understanding Self and Others
- Team Building
- Diversity
- Understanding Generations
- Conflict Resolution
- Strategic Planning
- Grant Writing
- Running Effective Meetings
- Regional Awareness

CLA History

The Community Leadership Alliance started with a small group of people serving on a Task Force brought together by Kathy Kopp, executive director, and Joe Witmer, chairman of the board, Platteville Area Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber had a vision – to expand the pool of volunteers serving on and leading committees, boards, planning teams and work groups in the community. This vision was shared by Tim Filbert, Paul Ohlrogge and Dan Hill – UW-Extension community resource educators in Grant, Iowa and Lafayette counties, Marian Maciej-Hiner, director of UW-Platteville Continuing Education, and others. Task Force members recognized that a formal leadership development program was needed to build the knowledge and skills, motivation and confidence, and capacity of the citizens of the region to serve as change agents and leaders, to ensure the health and vitality of the region's communities.

After researching other leadership programs, the Task Force decided that a tri-county rather than a single community-based program would make it more sustainable – drawing on resources and participants from a larger geographic area. The Community Leadership Alliance was formed as a partnership between the Platteville Chamber, UW-Platteville and UW-Extension. Today, CLA has the distinction of being the only multi-county leadership program in Wisconsin.

The partnership received grant funds from UW-Extension in July 1999 to start planning the program and hire a part-time coordinator, John Dutcher. The first class of 30 participants met in January 2000. Each year, CLA trains emerging and existing leaders in Southwest Wisconsin communities, businesses, organizations, agencies and institutions – and CLA graduates are making a difference where they live and work in the region.

Thank you CLA Sponsors

The Community Leadership Alliance (CLA) has many sponsors who make contributions to cover about half of the program costs and to help keep the program affordable. Our success over the past 10 years is due on large part to the generous contributions from the following organizations and businesses.

Alliant Energy Foundation

Badgerland Farm Credit

Benton State Bank

Biddick Foundation

Blue Chip Training and Marketing

Brodbeck Foundation

Building Platteville Inc.

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Clare Family Foundation

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Southern Wisconsin

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Iowa and Lafayette County

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Folklore Village

Lands' End

Livingston State Bank

M & I Foundation

Mound City Bank

Platteville Area Chamber of Commerce



CLA partners and board members - Kathy Kopp, Chantal Delorme-Barnes, Dan Hill, Paul Ohlrogge, Tim Filbert, Marian Maciej-Hiner, Sue Noble - recognize some of our regional sponsors: Clare Family Foundation (Deb Weigel), Mound City Bank (Joe Witmer), Biddick Foundation (Rachel Jordan).

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