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9/3- Called Marianne Kroger to advise her that the request has been received. Left VM msg. Asked her to call to clarify the 501(c)(3) status.
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GRANT APPLICATION

***Must be received in our office on or before the due dates below**

Due Dates April 15th and October 15th

Date: August 28, 2015

Name of Organization (must match IRS 501(c)(3) designation) CESA 3 Champion Games Event

Address 1300 Industrial Drive

City, State, Zip Fennimore, WI 53809

Phone 608-822-2140

Person Responsible for the Grant Marianne Kroger

Position in the Organization CESA 3 Executive Assistant/Champion Games Committee Member

Organization's Purpose This event is a unique opportunity for special education and disabled students, along with a non-special education peer, to participate in a track and field meet. This event not only allows for physical activity, but also promotes interaction between students of varying disabilities throughout southwest Wisconsin.

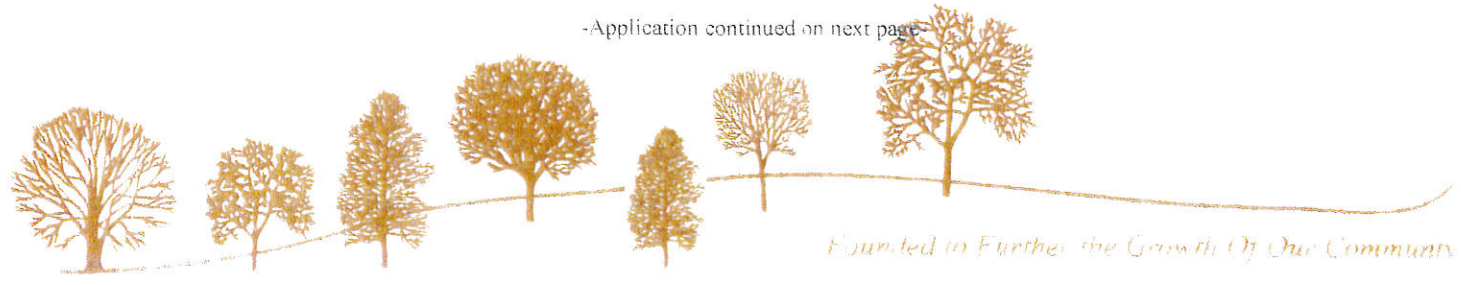
This application must include your organization's latest IRS Letter of Determination showing exemption and public support status. (Not required for units of Government & public schools).

Grant Request \$ 1,000.00

Describe the reason for this grant request in the space below:

We have counted on donations by area individuals, businesses, and organizations. However, it has become increasingly difficult to raise enough money to cover all the costs incurred as prices for food and supplies increase along with the number of students who participate each year. Each year, CESA 3 receives so many positive responses from the students and teachers participating, along with volunteers, that we feel that it is worth the effort in finding financial support in order to continue the event. As we prepare for next year's Champion Games 2016, we are asking for your assistance in helping us ease the financial burden. Please help us to continue providing a safe and fun event for the children of southwest Wisconsin.

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Attachments to this grant that we find useful in considering your grant request.

- A. Supporting information. (please see attached)
 - 1. Specific use of grant.
 - 2. Time schedule.
 - 3. Other sources of funding.
 - 4. Describe the effect of postponing your request to another time.
 - 5. Describe who, when, how and where will the effects of this grant be felt.

- B. Your organization's history, activities, services, and composition. (Videos are of limited use.)

(please see attached)

Applications are considered in June and December of each year. The corresponding deadlines are April 15th and October 15th. Concise grants that address the needed information are appreciated.

PLEASE SEND THIS APPLICATION TO ELMER G BIDDICK CHARITABLE FOUNDATION:

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CESA 3 Champion Games

Specific Use of Grant:

None of the school districts participating are required to pay any of the expenses for the day, except transportation. CESA 3 employees make up the largest group of helpers. The participating school districts arrive soon after 9 a.m. and the opening ceremony begins at 9:30 a.m. Around 10 a.m., the students are free to go to any of the activities and are encouraged to do as many as they have time for. Each school provides their own chaperones. Throughout the morning, the students are given a small snack and lunch is served around 12:00 p.m. The activities finish up around 1:30 p.m. and the students leave to go back to their respective schools. Expenses for the snack and lunch we provide the students are well over \$2,000 (**please see attached budget for our 2016 event**). We are asking for your help in the purchase of food for the event.

Time Schedule:

The 2016 Champion Games Event is scheduled for Friday, May 13th. The event is scheduled for the second week of May each year. The 2015 event was a huge success with over 1,100 students, chaperones, and volunteers in attendance! This year marks the 24th year for the Champion Games.

Other Sources of Funding:

We have received donations/contributions from local Lions, Lioness, LEO, and Optimist Clubs, Casey's General Stores, Kwik Trip, Inc., Alliant Energy Foundation, and Wisconsin Knights of Columbus.

Describe the Effect of Postponing Your Request to Another Time:

Champion Games is an annual event. If a request were to be postponed, we would direct those funds toward the next year's event. We would seek other sponsors/contributors to help with this year's event.

Describe Who, When, How and Where Will the Effects of This Grant Be Felt:

Students from the 31 School Districts in the CESA region are invited to participate. We have had 1,000+ in attendance the last several years. The 2016 event is scheduled on Friday, May 13th at the Boscobel High School Track. Many of our students live in poverty and for some this is the only opportunity for them to interact in this type of a recreational setting at no additional cost to their families.

Organization's History, Activities, Services, and Composition:

Champion Games was started in 1992 by the CESA 3 Specially designed Physical Education Teachers. This event is a unique opportunity for special education and disabled students, along with a non-special education peer, to participate in a track and field meet. **The focus in holding Champion Games is the children.** The children participate in an opening ceremony, running events, wheelchair races, relays, and a wide variety of field events (obstacle course, target toss, bowling, long and high jump, etc.). A recent study published in the Journal of Pediatrics suggests that physical activity may be just as important to a child's academic experience as reading, science and math. Physical fitness can influence behavior, concentration and even grades for all kinds along the socioeconomic spectrum. Teachers always report that the students have a great time and look forward to coming each year.

All event information is sent to our 31 school districts, advertised and promoted in our area newspapers and on the CESA 3 website. Ron Fruit from WRCO radio is the emcee for the event, and he conducts live broadcasts and interviews throughout the day. District participants are asked to evaluate the Champion Games; as a result of this activity, we evaluate and improve the opportunities for children on an annual basis.

A summary of these evaluations will be reviewed by the Champion Games Committee and the CESA 3 Administrator. The Champion Games event has become a tradition that is very much appreciated and enjoyed by all who attend. We hope you can assist us in making Champion Games a memorable opportunity for the students within the CESA 3 schools.

Please help us to continue providing a safe and fun event for the children of southwest Wisconsin!

CESA #3 Champion Games Budget for 2016

Inflatable Jumpers	\$1,170.00
Dunk Tank	125.00
Fire/Rescue Departments	150.00
Event Supplies	333.90
Face Paints (& logo tattoos)	491.79
Food (snack and lunch)	2,095.23
Award Medals •	2,290.50
Plates/Napkins	178.33
Advertising (to acknowledge our sponsors)	<u>118.80</u>
Total	\$6,953.55 **

- ALL participants are presented with a medal at the end of the event

** Average expense equals \$5.79 per student/volunteer/chaperone