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# Elmer G Biddick

## CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

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4/8 Spoke to Marcella about 501(c)(3)  
She wanted to talk to Board  
4/13 Followed up Today - Marcella  
will meet w/ Village and get back  
to me.

### GRANT APPLICATION

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

Due Dates April 15<sup>th</sup> and October 15<sup>th</sup>

Date: April 2, 2015

Name of Organization (must match IRS 501(c)(3) designation) Livingston Tree Board Committee *per Marcella DANTI*

Address P.O. Box 36 - 105 N. Grove St.

City, State, Zip Livingston, WI 53554

Phone (608) 943-6500

Person Responsible for the Grant Marcella Danti

Position in the Organization President

Organization's Purpose is to inform and educate the residents of Livingston of the importance of planting and maintaining trees in the Village of Livingston

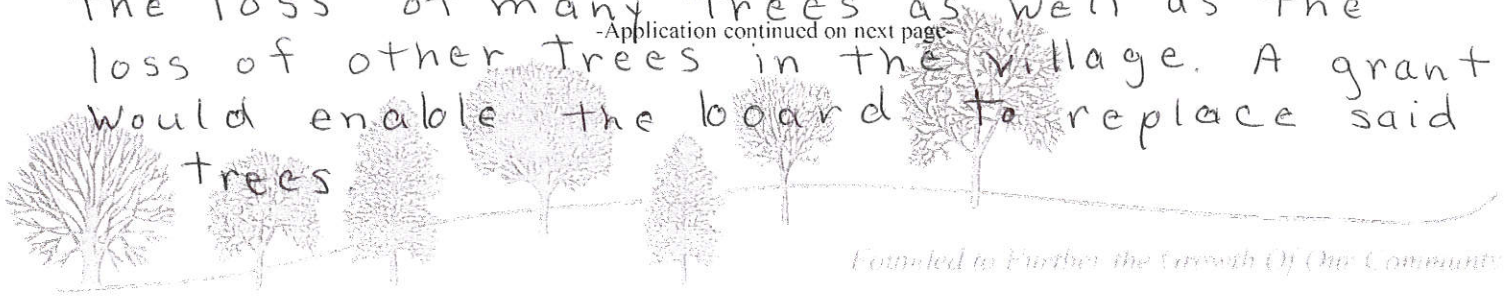
This application must include your organization's latest IRS Letter of Determination showing exemption and public support status. (Not required for units of Government & public schools). ES 43534 Village of Livingston

Grant Request \$ 1000

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

The tree board is a volunteer group affiliated with the village. It does not have a lot of resources available to plant trees in the village. The new highway E resulted in the loss of many trees as well as the loss of other trees in the village. A grant would enable the board to replace said trees.

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## Attachments to Application to Elmer Biddick Charitable Foundation

### A. Supporting information

1. Specific use of grant
  - a. Planting trees along Highway E and village parks
2. Time Schedule
  - a. Plans are to plant trees in the fall of 2015 and spring of 2016
3. Other sources of funding
  - a. Donation from Livingston/Clifton Fire Department
  - b. Tower Junction 8 Pin Tap Tournament raffles
4. Describe the effect of postponing your request to another time
  - a. The sooner the trees are planted, the sooner they will grow and mature and contribute their assets to the community.
5. The Effects of the Grant will be felt :
  - a. Who – Citizens of and visitors to the village of Livingston
  - b. When – For all times and all seasons
  - c. How - An urban forest impacts the environment, has a financial impact and enhances the esthetics of the community.
  - d. Where – The village of Livingston

### B. Organization's history, activities, services and composition

#### 1. History

The Livingston Tree Board was formed in June 2006, by a group of citizens to form an organization which would develop a tree program. That program would have two parts: Part one –To create an awareness of and educating the public to the value of trees, i e, conservation and environmental impact, financial considerations, and esthetic value; and Part two – The major component is the planting and maintenance of village trees. This program echoes the concept that the future of urban forests depends on community commitment.

We have and will continue to seek the expertise and guidance of the Urban Forester of the DNR to develop and carry out our programs.

#### 2. Activities

We formed a board, wrote a mission statement, elected officers, and met monthly. A member representing the board attended monthly Village Board meetings to inform the village of our activities and to foster a relationship with the Village Board.

We hired a professional forester to access village trees to determine which trees needed trimming or removal. The professional also conducted a workshop regarding the correct trimming of trees and shrubs and the proper method for planting trees.

3. Service

The board purchased and planted trees in the village parks; two of which were memorials. They also planted and continue to maintain several curbside floral gardens in the downtown area.

4. Composition

The Livingston Tree Board consists of elected officials and village residents. Any village resident can be a member and is encouraged to join. It is an entirely volunteer organization.