

SHERIDAN COUNTY
APPLICATION FOR ONE CENT OPTIONAL SALES & USE TAX FUNDS

FISCAL YEARS 2015 TO 2019
(July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2019)

GENERAL INFORMATION:

NAME OF ORGANIZATION: Northern Wyoming Mental Health Center PHONE: 307-672-8958

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AMOUNT OF FUNDS REQUESTED: \$120,000 (Total amount for the 4-year period)

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DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL PURPOSE OF YOUR ORGANIZATION: To provide mental health, substance abuse, psychiatric and emergency services to the citizens in need throughout Sheridan County.

BRIEFLY LIST PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES FOR REQUESTED FUNDS (Indicate if the funds are to be used for an operational subsidy or for one-time expenditures such as a project or equipment acquisition or capital improvements; indicate whether other sources are available and been applied for; indicate the reason County, rather than the City, Optional One Cent Sales tax funds are appropriate; if possible, estimate the number of citizens that will benefit):

NWMHC is requesting a total amount of \$120,000 for the 4 years (\$30,000 annually) to assist as operational subsidy to support the provision of Emergency Services provided 24/7 - 365 days per year for Sheridan County. Funding of \$5000 has been requested and granted from the city (a reduction of \$10,000 from 2012) to support this service. Emergency Service entails working with the hospital and law enforcement to see individuals in crisis, to avert suicide and/or initiate a Title 25 Detention/Emergency Hold. NWMHC averages \$6000/month on these services with an estimated 50 hours/month provided. We average 6 - 10 titles a month which has impacted the lives of those receiving services by averting suicidal presentation. NWMHC serves approximately 1000 of Sheridan citizens per year for all clinical services.

SIGNED: *Lynne Whittington, MD, LSC*

Title: Executive Director

Date: August 6, 2014

Please complete this application and bring 6 copies to the Commission work session. You may provide additional information if you wish.