

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: Sheridan County Fire Board _____ PHONE: 307-752-9864 _____

CONTACT PERSON: Bill Biastoch _____ ADDRESS: P.O. Box 586 Big Horn, WY, 82833

AMOUNT OF FUNDS REQUESTED: \$400,000.00 _____ (Total amount for the 4-year period)

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DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL PURPOSE OF YOUR ORGANIZATION: *Provide Fire, EMS, and other emergency response services through the six Fire Districts in 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):

1. Provide the fire districts who service both their taxpayers and visitors with adequate trucks, equipment, and supplies to respond to the emergencies in their district and to support surrounding districts.

2. Provide the first responders with approved current equipment and supplies that meet the most current safety requirements required by regulations.

The six fire districts have used the funds for operational and one time equipment and supply acquisitions. The funds are divided \$15,000 per year per district with the remaining \$10,000 going into an equipment and radio fund for future replacement and upgrades to our communication system for the fire districts. The fire districts have used these funds to purchase replacement EMS supplies, Personnel Protective Equipment (bunker and wildland firefighting pants, shirts, coats, SCBA breathing equipment, and helmets Story and Tongue River). The fire districts had purchased radios, store and forward for paging (Story), saving for purchasing a brush truck (Dayton), replacing a truck engine (Story), a rescue truck (Sheridan Area), slide-in-unit for EMS/rescue unit (Big Horn), UTV and ATV (Big Horn, new wyolink truck radios and other handheld radios and replacing trucks (Clearmont).

The fire districts will continue using these funds for replacing outdated equipment and supplies. The equipment and radio fund will allow the board to replace our communication equipment in the future.

Signed: Bill Biastoch

Title: Sheridan County Fire Warden

Date: 8/5/2014