

Sheridan Community LAND TRUST

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January 2, 2018

Clerk's Office
Attn. Cecilia Good
P.O. Box 848
Sheridan, WY 82801

RE: City of Sheridan One Cent Funds (FY 2020 – 2023)

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To Whom It May Concern:

The Sheridan Community Land Trust (SCLT) is excited to apply for City of Sheridan One Cent Funds. Over the years we have use the City's ongoing support to complete projects that positively impact our Community members. Projects such as the Red Grade Trails provide access for recreation, volunteerism, community building, and outdoor education. Additionally, projects like the North Gateway park have increased the footprint of City of Sheridan Parks while protecting open space. Finally, projects like the celebration of the historic Doc Huson residence provide a mooring in history for the Community.

We have used the City of Sheridan One Cent Funds to leverage support from local and national foundations. For every dollar provided to SCLT through the One Cent Funds we have been able to find \$35 more. We ask the City of Sheridan to consider increasing their support of SCLT through the One Cent Funds program to \$20,000. This increase will allow SCLT to increase the pace of our mission; a mission to preserve our heritage of open spaces, healthy rivers and creeks, working ranches, wildlife habitat, and vibrant history, while expanding non-motorized recreation opportunities to connect people with the places they love.

I look forward to sharing more during my presentation. In the meantime, feel free to reach out to me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Brad Bauer
Executive Director

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SECTION I: Cover Sheet

Application for City of Sheridan One Cent Funds

**Fiscal Years 2020-2023
(July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2023)**

General Information

Name of Organization: Sheridan Community Land Trust Phone Number: 307-673-4702
Contact Person: Brad Bauer Address: P.O. Box 7185, Sheridan, WY 82801
Amount of Funds Requested: 20000
Email: director@sheridanclt.org



Describe the principal purpose of your organization:

To preserve our heritage of open spaces, healthy rivers and creeks, working ranches, wildlife habitat, and vibrant history, while expanding non-motorized recreation opportunities to connect people with the places they love.

List the names of Board Members and Officers:

Mike Evers, Chair; Dan Rieder, Vice Chair; Julie Greer, Secretary; Jeff Way, Treasurer; Craig Achord; Don Crecelius; Holland Duell; Susan Holmes; Susanna Meyer; Sarah Heuck Sinclair; Margie Taylor; Jan Windsor

Declaration: I hereby certify that the information give in this application for One Cent funding is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Agency Director		<u>Brad Bauer</u>	<u>12/26/17</u>
	Signature	Print Name	Date
Board President		<u>Michael J. EVERS</u>	<u>12/27/17</u>
	Signature	Print Name	Date

SECTION II: *Fact Sheet* –

Please keep responses to questions below to a single page

Organizational History and Mission

Provide a brief history of your organization in Sheridan County, including services provided to area residents and your organization's Mission Statement.

Sheridan Community Land Trust (SCLT) is a local organization that serves the communities of Sheridan County. SCLT was founded as a 501(c)3 organization in 2006 as a solution to concerns community members expressed through a regional community assessment conducted by Sheridan County and the City of Sheridan. Citizens were asked to identify the County's major problems and challenges, its strengths and assets, and what projects they would like to see completed in 5, 10 and 20 years. The results of that assessment illustrated that community members placed a high value on land conservation, including preservation of working ranches, historic preservation, and access to recreation opportunities. These results lead to SCLT's mission which focuses on preserving working ranches, open spaces, wildlife habitat, and historic sites, as well as increasing recreation opportunities.

Since its inception, SCLT has successfully initiated and completed many projects that have accomplished the goals identified by the Sheridan County communities, our target populations. We are a community-supported land trust that works with willing landowners to hold conservation easements on private land, develop and enhance recreational opportunities, and preserve local history, while engaging the next generation as stewards of these valuable resources.

Our mission is: To preserve our heritage of open spaces, healthy rivers and creeks, working ranches, wildlife habitat, and vibrant history, while expanding non-motorized recreation opportunities to connect people with the places they love.

Funding Requested

*Briefly explain how the funds will be used and why public funds are necessary to accomplish this goal. Some discussion items to cover in this section may include: **Whether or not the funding request has increased from prior years; Whether or not this is a one-time or on-going request; The description of any large program or staff expansion set to occur; Any large equipment or other fixed assets that will be purchased; How your project relates to city or county goals or improves the overall quality, character or health of the community; and Whether or not funding will be used to leverage additional monies for your organization either through grants or other means***

SCLT is a strategically-positioned and well-led organization with committed board members who reside in the communities we serve. We have been successful in forging partnerships with numerous public and private entities and individuals interested in project-specific funding. City and County One Cent Funds are critical to developing projects to the point of being ready for accepting grant and private dollars for completion. The ongoing support of both the City and County One Cent Funds is essential to our continued success.

SCLT will use City One Cent Funds to develop projects with significance for our community including increased access to recreation, conservation of open space, and the celebration of our Community's history. We have and will continue to leverage One Cent funding to attract private and public funding from local to national levels. For this application and the projects that we are proposing to work on with City One Cent funding, significant value will be created for citizens of the City of Sheridan. In addition, SCLT connects the local economy into every project we undertake, and the projects included in our highlights below not only hold value as local amenities, but also positively impact the area's tourism trends.

**SECTION III. Financial Information -
Please keep responses to a single page. (Responses must utilize this form)**

Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2017:

<i>Assets (Current)</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Liabilities</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Other Financial Information You Wish to Include:</i>
<i>Cash:</i>	<i>\$112,315.03</i>	<i>Payables:</i>	<i>\$</i>	
<i>CDs, etc.:</i>	<i>\$</i>	<i>Withholding:</i>	<i>\$</i>	
<i>Receivables:</i>	<i>\$</i>	<i>Long Term:</i>	<i>\$</i>	
<i>Fixed</i>	<i>\$</i>	<i>Promissory Notes:</i>	<i>\$</i>	
<i>Equipment</i>	<i>\$4,000</i>	<i>Mortgage:</i>	<i>\$</i>	
<i>Building</i>	<i>\$</i>	<i>Owner's Equity:</i>	<i>\$</i>	
<i>Less Depreciation</i>	<i>\$</i>			

SECTION IV. Budget Information -
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Revenue

	Amount	Secured or pending?
City of Sheridan One Cent	13,333.00	100% Secured
Sheridan County One Cent	17,600.00	100% Secured
Donors, Unrestricted Grants, Business	275,000.00	87% Secured
Fundraisers	25,246.00	68% Secured
Interest	22,000.00	81% Secured
Restricted Grants	60,000	78% Secured
Land Payment	25,000.00	100% Secured
Purchased Conservation Easement – NRCS	750,000.00	Pending
Misc – Licensing, Employer Match	4,000.00	95% Secured
Total Estimated Revenue	1,192,179.00	Secured and Pending

Expense

	Amount	Comments
Payroll, health, IRA, Comp (3 staff)	168,668.00	Year total, Fixed
Support Services	11,900.00	Year total, Forecast
Facilities and Equipment	12,000.00	Year total, Forecast
Office Operations	11,720.76	Year total, Forecast
Events and Projects	47,940.00	Year total, Forecast
Easement Expenses	758,900.00	Year total, Forecast
Travel and Training	11,050.00	Year total, Forecast
Red Grade Trail Construction	115,000.00	Year total, Fixed
Water Trail Development	55,000.00	Year total, Fixed
Other		
Total	1,192,178.76	<i>This figure should match Estimate Revenue line above.</i>

SECTION V: Report for Prior Awardees Only-
Please keep responses to questions below on a single page

Complete this section if your agency has previously been awarded One Cent Funding for July 1st 2016 to June 30th 2017:

Amount Awarded? \$13,333

Have you used all of the funds awarded? Yes
 No

Briefly describe the impact that the previous award has had on your program, project or organizational operations. Some discussion items to cover in this section may include:

- *Number of persons served and demographics of persons served (income level, age, race, etc.)*
- *Describe the overall impact of these funds on your program, project or organization*
- *If your agency has not yet to spent all of the awarded funds, please briefly describe your plans to expend the funds by the end of the fiscal year*
- *Did your agency use One Cent funding to leverage additional funds, either through grants or other means?*

SCLT leveraged the City's \$13,333+/- One Cent contribution during the past 12 months to bring in over \$462,000 in matching funds and conservation value from over 250 partners and annual members. Several of our most recent projects have garnered the attention of larger regional groups who have praised SCLT's work and ability to produce tangible benefits through unique projects that have significant community-recognized value.

Your investment in SCLT pays returns in the amenities of our community – For every \$1 you give us, we'll find \$35 more which we'll put on the ground here in Sheridan County for maximum public benefit.

We ask that the City continues to partner with us as we develop projects that bring significant economic and quality of life benefits to all who may ever call Sheridan home.

Highlights from the past 12 months:

- Completed an additional 3.5 miles of trail in our Red Grade Trail network for a total of 5.2 miles. We have had trail users register their home location from all over Sheridan County, Wyoming, and some further afield.
- Celebrated our 7th annual Biketober Festival at Red Grade Trails with over 155 participants.
- Worked with various partners to clear the title allowing the Sheridan County Conservation District to secure ownership of the Acme property. Future uses will focus on access, history, and soil and water quality.
- Worked with various partners to secure and transfer the North Gateway property to the City of Sheridan with conservation easement in place.
- Secured funding and installation for signage for the Tongue River Water Trail and the Doc Huson historical site.
- Completed feasibility study on an Outdoor Education Center.
- Leading the development of the first conservation easement through the Tongue River Initiative.