



Sheridan KidsLife Building Campaign  
One Cent Funds Grant Proposal  
Prepared by: Ryan Koltiska, Executive Director

## Executive Summary

Sheridan KidsLife is a Christian youth organization committed to working with our community to meet practical and spiritual needs for youth in 3<sup>rd</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. We currently serve over 100 kids in Sheridan, Big Horn, and Tongue River with weekly clubs, community service opportunities, and special events. We work collaboratively with other youth-serving organizations and are currently planning on building a 9,000 square foot youth activity center in Sheridan next to the YMCA.

Our desire is to meet practical needs in the community with our new facility and have taken steps to hold focus groups and individual meetings with other community leaders to find opportunities to collaborate with other youth serving organizations and also to find where there may be gaps in services. Over and over we hear the comment that many youth, especially at-risk students in the Junior High, do not have a safe and positive place to go after school and on weekends. We have seen this as we have served the community for over 5 years now, and are excited to be moving forward on building a safe and supportive youth activity center. It will be built as a place where youth can come and hang out, take advantage of program opportunities if they would like, and also be able to get help with homework, food, and other needs. Our current staffing and organizational structure allows us to fill this gap and even expand into other after school opportunities for elementary ages, weekend hours, and summer programs while still offering the current club opportunities we already provide.

We are excited to have \$1,285,000 raised for our \$2 million campaign and hope to break ground in 2018. Many community foundations are supporting our efforts because of the great need to reach at-risk youth. We feel this is a long-term investment for Sheridan and can be a huge support to many other youth efforts. All of our operation expenses are provided by individual donors and community foundations and we plan on continuing our operations with private fundraising. We are requesting One Cent funds for our capital campaign because we believe that a youth activity center would be a huge asset to all youth in Sheridan and would benefit the entire community. This youth center would also benefit other organizations that are currently strengthening the community as well, especially as we are closely tied to the YMCA and can support their efforts.

Sheridan KidsLife Board, private donors, and many community foundations are excited about this project and what it means for youth services for the long-term in Sheridan. We see this as vital to our mission and the community as a whole, and so, we would like to request \$25,000 a year for 4 years towards the building project for a total of \$100,000. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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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 Kids Life Phone Number: 307-751-5989  
Contact Person: Ryan Koltiska Address: PO Box 7296  
Amount of Funds Requested: \$25,000 year/4 years  
Email: ryan@sheridankidslife.com

Describe the principal purpose of your organization:

Sheridan Kids Life is a Christian youth organization committed to meet spiritual and practical needs for youth [3<sup>rd</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade] in our community.

List the names of Board Members and Officers:

- Amy Rabon, Co-President
- Jessie Zebroski, Co-President
- Erin Kilbride, Treasurer
- Crissy Hunter, Assistant Treasurer
- Travis Perkins, Secretary
- Tempe Murphy
- Steve Rabon
- Jeremy Zebroski
- Pete Kilbride
- Ian Hunter
- Ann Perkins
- Corey Hamrick
- Stacey Hamrick
- Timm Cooper
- Ashley Cooper
- Andrew Cassiday
- Liz Cassiday
- Emma Wulff

**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**



Signature

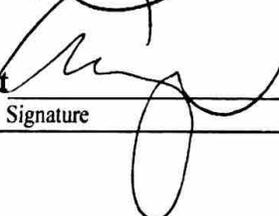
Ryan Koltiska

Print Name

1/12/18

Date

**Board President**



Signature

Amy Rabon

Print Name

1/12/18

Date

## SECTION II: *Fact Sheet* –

*Please keep responses to questions below to a single page*

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### **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 KidsLife began in 2012 as KLIFE, part of a national Christian youth organization. Since the beginning, the goal of the organization was to meet spiritual and practical needs of youth in Sheridan County. In May of 2017, in order to serve the community more effectively, the local board of KLIFE created their own, local non-profit, now Sheridan KidsLife. This change allows the organization to create programming and meet needs that are tailored to Sheridan County specifically. Currently, Sheridan KidsLife serves over 100 kids in 3<sup>rd</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade in Sheridan, Big Horn, and Tongue River with weekly clubs, service opportunities, and special events.

### **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*

Sheridan KidsLife is planning on building a 9,000 square foot youth activity center next to the YMCA to meet after school and weekend needs for youth.

A youth activity center has always been a dream of the KidsLife board, to create a safe and positive environment where youth can come for food, fun, encouragement and mentorship. This past fall, KidsLife held many focus groups and meetings to discover what the current needs are in youth services and found many themes that KidsLife plans on focusing on with the new facility. Our desire is to open up the facility for after school hangout, homework, and programming every day of the week for 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade and Junior High students. Over and over, we heard that at-risk youth need a safe and positive environment. KidsLife believes our location and partnership with the YMCA has positioned us to meet this need.

The KidsLife capital campaign has a goal of \$2 million and we have currently raised \$1,285,000 towards the goal from the KidsLife board and private foundations. The property has already been purchased debt free at our current location, 444 W. Alger, next to the YMCA. The three structures on the property will be demolished to make room for one larger, two-story building.

We would like to request \$25,000 a year for 4 years, totaling \$100,000 from the Optional One Cent Funds to help us meet our goal of \$2 million and provide this long-term benefit for the youth in Sheridan.

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

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**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> Our cash balance includes \$55,000 from two local foundations for their first pledge towards the building. Most pledges will begin to be received in 2018.  \$560,000 from a private foundation was already used to purchase the property. The property was gifted to the YMCA and is now leased to KidsLife for \$100 per year.
<i>Cash:</i>	<i>\$108,113.33</i>	<i>Payables:</i>	<i>\$4,171.30</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>\$</i>	<i>Mortgage:</i>	<i>\$</i>	
<i>Building</i>	<i>\$ see notes</i>	<i>Owner's Equity:</i>	<i>\$</i>	
<i>Less Depreciation</i>	<i>\$</i>			

**SECTION IV. Budget Information -**  
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***Building Campaign Revenue***

	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Secured or pending?</b>
Foundation Purchase of Property	<b>\$560,000</b>	<b>Secured</b>
Watt Foundation	<b>\$150,000</b>	<b>Secured</b>
Scott Foundation	<b>\$100,000</b>	<b>Secured</b>
KidsLife Board	<b>\$150,000</b>	<b>Secured</b>
Roberts Family Foundation	<b>\$50,000</b>	<b>Secured</b>
7 Pillars Foundation	<b>\$250,000 + In-Kind Construction Costs</b>	<b>Secured</b>
City of Sheridan One Cent	<b>\$100,000</b>	<b>Pending</b>
Public Campaign	<b>\$100,000</b>	<b>Pending</b>
Pending Foundations	<b>\$540,000</b>	<b>Pending</b>
<b>Total Estimated Revenue</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>	

***Building Campaign Expense***

	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Land Acquisition	<b>\$560,000</b>	<b>Complete</b>
Construction	<b>\$958,000</b>	
Architectural & Engineering	<b>\$90,000</b>	
Landscaping & Furnishings	<b>\$40,000</b>	
Fundraising/Operating Support	<b>\$20,000</b>	
Endowment	<b>\$200,000</b>	
Permits, Construction Admin, Contingency	<b>\$132,000</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>	<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***

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

**Amount Awarded?** \$N/A

**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?*