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In addition, the following criteria will be considered when reviewing applications:

- Does the project enhance the delivery of state/local government agency services and improve the public, government and business access to those services?
- Does the project reduce the amount of reliance on human capital, paper, and office overhead?
- Does the project span more than one office or agency?
- What is the size of the customer base for this service and the geographic impact?
- Is there financial and or in kind contribution from other partners?
- Is there documented community support for the project?

Responses are required to all questions in Parts I, II & III in order to be considered for funding:

Part I. Grant Summary

1. Name of agency applying for grant Saline County Clerk's Office
2. Title of project Marriage License Public Access
3. Brief description of project: Our plan is to put all of our marriage records on computer so the public can access them without office staff taking time from our jobs to copy out of each book.
4. Grant amount requested \$ 2,000.00
5. If the grant is to create an application, is the application to have a fee associated with its use for accessing public records, or is the application free for use by the public, businesses and other governmental agencies?
No fee to access on the computer, but if they want copies of the document, we charge 50¢ each.
If there is to be a fee, provide any statutory authorization for assessing the fee.
6. If the grant application is for a Geographic Information System project, do you and the agency you represent agree to share the data collected in that project, without costs, with other interested government agencies in the State that may have a need for such data?
N/A

Part II. Grant Detail

1. Please describe the project in detail, to include your vision for the project. (You may attach this description). We get calls regularly to look up marriage licenses from the 1800's and early 1900's. If we could get our records scanned and into a program that would be accessible to the public, we could save time in our office and the customer would save the expense of the phone call and time waiting for the document to be mailed to them after we receive the fees from them.

2. Please describe who the beneficiary or recipient of this service will be.

The public

3. What is the projected activity for access or use of the proposed service?

Mostly for genealogical research

4. Timeline for implementation of the project (a specific completion date (MM/YYYY) must be provided). Grant funds may lapse if not expended prior to completion date.

Completed by June or July of 2012

5. Please specify in detail your, or any other Subdivision(s) contribution to the project (financial, labor, equipment etc.). Provide specific dollar amounts.

We would need to scan all of our marriage records so that they can be put into this program. We have the scanning capabilities, just need a computer and software to get this up and running. I plan to have some part time help to come in and work on the scanning.

Computer & programming - \$1,450.00

Part time help 550.00

6. Is other funding available for this project (explain)? Please explain what efforts your agency has made to obtain funding. None, I haven't looked into doing anything like this until this opportunity came up.

7. Does the project require additional statutory authority (explain)?

No, marriage records are public information.

8. Specify (in detail) what the grant money will be used for. Include a complete cost breakdown of the project. Please attach bids from vendors (if applicable) and describe the relationship, if any, between a vendor and you or your agency. I will be hiring part time help to help get the scanning done. They will need to be scanned to the computer that will be programmed for this project. We have 30 marriage record books with approximately 350-400 pages each.

9. Why the grant money is needed for the project, and, if applicable, how will the service be sustained once the grant money is expended? Once everything is scanned and the program is set up, there shouldn't be any on-going expenses. The grant is needed because there is no money budgeted for it at this time. With all of the budget cuts, we don't foresee any possible way we could do this project without the help of the grant.

10. Should available fund not allow the NSRB to grant the full amount requested, but a reduced amount, would this project still be financially feasible?

Probably not, as I am requesting enough for a computer, the set-up fees and part-time help to scan the licenses for the computer program.

11. Please describe how this project will enhance the delivery of government agency services and improve the public and/or business access to those services. It will allow the public to come in and access the records, make their own copies, saving the office staff time to do their own work.

12. Please describe how this project will improve the efficiency of agency operations.

Most customers will be able to check for marriage licenses on their own, saving the office staff time for their own work.

13. Please describe how this project will facilitate collaboration between either local, state, federal and/or other public or private institutions. It will make it much easier for public access to our marriage records and save time for the employees in our office to do their required jobs.

14. Does the project involve the licensing, permitting or regulation of business? If yes, explain how the project or service will allow integration with the State of Nebraska's Business Portal, located at: <http://www.nebraska.gov/index.phtml?section=business>, and the One-Stop Online Business registration system located at: <https://www.nebraska.gov/osbr/index.cgi>

NO

15. Community Support. Please include letters of support to document the public expression that has caused you to implement this application.

See attached

Part III. Technical Information

1. Describe the hardware, software, and communications needed for this project and explain why these choices were made.

MIPS will help with the programming of the computer software. They are our technical support for all of the county offices.

2. Address any technical issues with the proposed technology including:

- **Conformity with general accepted industry standards. Projects which interface with other state systems (such as distance learning systems) must meet NITC technical standards and guidelines. (The NITC standards and guidelines are located at: <http://www.nitc.state.ne.us/standards/>).**
- **Compatibility with existing institutional and/or statewide infrastructure.**
- **Reliability, security and scalability (future needs for growth or adaptation).**

This won't be interfacing with any other programs.

3. Describe how the project will comply with the State's Technology Access Clause: meet all applicable Nebraska Information Technology Commission Standards and Guidelines. A copy of the Standards are available at:

<http://www.nitc.state.ne.us/standards/index.html>. under 2. Accessibility

Architecture. We will have a computer available for public access which will also be handicapped accessible.

4. Describe how technical support will be provided. Through MIPS.

Part IV. STATE LAW COMPLIANCE

Nebraska law, sections 4-108 through 4-114 state that no political subdivision of the State shall provide public benefits, to include grants or contracts, to a person not lawfully present in the United States. If this application is awarded in whole or in part, and during the time the grant is

I am writing to support the grant the Saline County Clerk's office is applying for to computerize marriage records.

I have spent many, many hours pouring over the old marriage records for my genealogy research. All my ancestors resided in this county. Having the records on computer would make research much easier. I know many others are also researching their family's history and it would benefit many people, local and those coming to the area to research their family's history.

Thank you.

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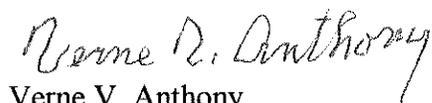
April 8, 2011

To: Nebraska Records Board

Subject: Computer Grant

I am a Family Researcher in Wilber doing volunteer searching for persons requesting my services and also doing it for myself in the Saline County Clerks Office. Most of the records in the Saline County Clerks Office that I research are Marriage Records and it would be helpful if these Marriage Records were entered in a computer system. I would like to support the Saline County Clerks Office in their request for a grant for the purchase of a computer system for maintaining these records.

As a community member in Wilber and Saline County I feel that the service this office provides to the public warrants putting these records into a computer base system for public use.



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April 12, 2011

Nebraska Records Board,

My name is Judith K. Rada and I am a resident of Saline County. I search the marriage records frequently looking for genealogical information.

The marriage records for Saline County we use for genealogy research are an invaluable tool. We are able to do our own personal research and many hours can and are spent by individuals looking for family information. Thus the books are being handled by many people who are not all careful about keeping the books in the wonderful condition they are at the present. These books are large and quite heavy and require assistance getting them to and from the shelves again a possibility of damage to them.

A computer system for the marriage records would save the wear and tear on the books and the possibility of permanent damage to them. It would certainly speed up the time researchers need to find and retrieve their information.

The staff at the Saline County Clerk's office is very knowledgeable and always willing to be of assistance. Having the marriage records on a computer would make researching for everyone much more efficient.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Judith K Rada". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name.

Judith K. Rada

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