

### SOUTH CENTRAL KANSAS LIBRARY SYSTEM 2023-2024 LIBRARIES TRANSFORM GRANT APPLICATION FORM

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### 2023-2024 LIBRARIES TRANSFORM GRANT APPLICATION FORM

### **NARRATIVE**

1. Describe the program/project and how it will address each of the grant objectives and key messages:

Grant objectives are (1) to increase awareness and support for transforming the local library, (2) to further the perception of the library as essential to the community and (3) to energize library advocates to influence local, state and national decision-makers. Key messages are (1) Libraries transform lives, (2) Libraries transform communities, (3) Libraries are community centers for lifelong learning and

(4) Libraries are a smart investment.

### Program/Project Description:

The Harmony Garden project is a transformative initiative aimed at uniting two distinct spaces, the Art Garden and the Sensory Garden, located at the Andover Public Library. This endeavor seeks to create a sanctuary that fosters tranquility, inspiration, and community engagement. A crucial aspect of this project is ensuring full accessibility for all members of our community, including those with mobility challenges.

Addressing Grant Objectives and Key Messages:

- 1.Increasing Awareness and Support for Library Transformation:
- •The Harmony Garden project showcases the library as more than just a place for books, but as a vibrant and dynamic community space. It demonstrates the library's commitment to enhancing the community's well-being through innovative initiatives.
- 2. Fostering the Perception of the Library as Essential to the Community:
- •The garden will serve as a testament to the library's vital role in community development, providing a space for relaxation, learning, and connection. It reinforces the idea that the library is an essential hub for cultural enrichment and lifelong learning.
- 3. Energizing Library Advocates to Influence Decision-Makers:
- •The Harmony Garden project is designed to inspire a sense of pride and ownership among library advocates. By creating a space that directly benefits the community, we aim to mobilize advocates to champion the library's initiatives and influence decision-makers in support of similar endeavors.



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### NARRATIVE cont'd

Continuing #1. Describe the program/project and how it will address each of the grant objectives and key messages:

### Key Messages:

- 1.Libraries Transform Lives:
- •The Harmony Garden provides a transformative experience for individuals of all ages and abilities, offering a haven for relaxation, learning, and creativity.
- 2.Libraries Transform Communities:
- •By creating a space that fosters connections and a sense of belonging, the Harmony Garden strengthens the bonds within our community, making it a more vibrant and unified place to live.
- 3. Libraries are Community Centers for Lifelong Learning:
- •The garden offers educational opportunities for both children and adults, providing hands-on learning experiences about nature, art, and sustainable practices. It reinforces the library's role as a center for lifelong learning.
- 4.Libraries are a smart investement:
- •The Harmony Garden project exemplifies the prudent investment libraries represent for communities. By creating a space that not only enhances well-being but also fosters community engagement, it showcases the library's role as a valuable asset that delivers substantial returns for our community. The project ensures that funds are allocated to a transformative initiative with far-reaching benefits, addressing the grant's objective to increase awareness and support for the local library's transformation. Additionally, by creating a space that serves as a sanctuary for individuals of all ages and abilities, it reinforces the library's position as an essential hub for lifelong learning and community development. In sum, the Harmony Garden project is a testament to the library's capacity to provide both immediate and lasting value, making it a judicious investment in the betterment of our community.



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2. Describe and provide the tentative timeline for the program/project.

Project should be completed prior to December 31, 2024:

### Tentative Timeline:

- October 2023 December 2023:
- •Finalize garden design and sculpture selection.
- ·Secure necessary permits and approvals.
- •Begin procurement of materials and sculptures.
- •January 2024 March 2024:
- •Commence construction of pathways and infrastructure.
- •Commence installation of sculptures and pedestals.
- •April 2024 June 2024:
- •Complete garden expansion and sculptural installations.
- Construct seating areas and reading spaces.
- •Begin garden expansion, including planting of pollinator plants and vegetables.
- •Begin installation of educational signage and information boards.
- •July 2024 September 2024:
- •Conduct educational programs and workshops related to gardening and environmentalism.
- •Complete final touches, including landscaping and adjustments.
- •Conduct final inspections for ADA compliance and safety measures.
- •Plan and organize grand opening event.
- •October 2024:
- Host grand opening event to unveil the Harmony Garden to the community.
- November 2024 December 2024:
- •Evaluate and gather feedback from community members.
- •Make any necessary adjustments based on initial feedback.
- •Finalize project documentation and reports for grant compliance.



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3a. What is the estimated total cost of the program/project?		
Total Estimated Cost: \$50,000		
3b. What is the amount of local matching funds available as of January 1, 2024?		
Local Matching Funds Available: \$25,000		
3c. What is the source of local matching funds available as of January 1, 2024?		
Library Capital Improvement Fund		
3d. What is the amount of matching grant request from SCKLS?		
Matching Grant Request: \$25,000		



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### 4. Describe how the SCKLS grant funds will be used:

**Budget Overview:** 

Captivating Sculptures:

Sculpture 1: \$5,000

Justification: Nam Le's sculpture will establish a visual focal point for visitors to contemplate. Additionally, it will alleviate a current visibility issue, specifically, the challenge of distinguishing the name on the building at Andover Central Park—Andover Public Library. The existing Andover Public Library sign lacks the attention-grabbing quality required to prominently feature the building's name. This sculpture will help address this concern.

Sculpture 2: \$5,000

Justification: Similar to Nam Le's sculpture, Mike Miller's piece will enhance the garden's artistic ambiance, offering an additional focal point for visitors to reflect upon and discuss. The large linear cubes also create intriguing shadows, and with careful lighting, the projections on the library walls will be a captivating sight at night. In the daytime, the sculpture is equally impressive, especially as we plan to incorporate vines, seamlessly blending art and nature in a captivating intersection.

Sculpture 3: \$2,500

Justification: Karen Cox's Griffin sculpture, strategically positioned near the library entrance, radiates playfulness and charm. It forms a delightful link between the current library mural and the musical instruments designed for children to enjoy. Placed in a section of the garden tailored for the little ones, it adds a touch of lightheartedness.

Kids outdoor heavy duty pipe musical instrument: \$7,350

Justification: This addition will engage children's creativity and provide an interactive element, fostering both musical exploration and physical development.

**Inviting Seating:** 

Bench 1: \$350

Justification: Bench 1 will offer a comfortable spot for visitors to relax, read, or simply immerse themselves in the enchanting surroundings.

Bench 2: \$350

Justification: Similar to Bench 1, this seating element will enhance the functionality of the garden, providing a space for reflection and enjoyment.



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Continuing #4. Describe how the SCKLS grant funds will be used:

Pergola with 2 swings: \$5,450

Justification: This feature will not only provide additional seating but also add an inviting architectural element, encouraging visitors to spend extended time in the garden and to read.

### Garden Expansion:

Pollinator plants, vegetables, and garden programming: \$2,900

Justification: These funds will be used to expand the garden's biodiversity, providing an educational opportunity for the community about responsible environmental practices.

### Pathway and Infrastructure:

Sidewalk addition, topsoil, plants, and sprinkler adjustment: \$13,600

Justification: These enhancements ensure the garden is ADA accessible, inviting visitors of all abilities to enjoy the space comfortably.

Custom concrete edging: \$3,000

Justification: This addition will provide both aesthetic appeal and functional delineation, enhancing the overall look and accessibility of the garden.

Shed for landscaping tools: \$2,300

Justification: This structure will be essential for maintaining the garden's vibrancy and charm, ensuring that it remains a welcoming and visually appealing space. It will be used for storage.

Gardening tools: \$700

Justification: These tools are necessary for the ongoing maintenance and care of the garden, ensuring its long-term sustainability.

### Sculpture Pedestals:

Pedestal 1: \$500

Justification: These pedestals will not only elevate the presence of the sculptures but also serve as symbolic representations of our dedication to art and culture in the community.

Pedestal 2: \$500

Justification: Similar to Pedestal 1, this element will ensure that each sculpture is showcased effectively, enhancing their aesthetic impact.

Pedestal 3: \$500

Justification: This third pedestal will complete the trio, providing a unified and cohesive presentation of the sculptures.

TOTAL: \$50,000



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5. Provide quotes or estimates for specific services, staff, equipment or furnishings for which the grant will be used. Costs will not be considered for grant funding unless specific documentation is provided.

Documentation must correspond to costs identified in Question 4:

### **Budget Overview:**

Captivating Sculptures:

•Sculpture 1: \$5,000

•Sculpture 2: \$5,000

•Sculpture 3: \$2,500

Kids outdoor heavy duty pipe musical instrument: \$7350

•Total: \$19,850

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Inviting Seating:

•Bench 1: \$350

•Bench 2: \$350

Pergola with 2 swings

**•**\$5,450

•Total: \$6,150

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### Garden Expansion:

•Pollinator plants, vegetables, and garden programming: \$2,900

•Total: \$2,900

Pathway and Infrastructure:

Sidewalk addition, topsoil, plants, and sprinkler adjustment: \$13,600

Custom concrete edging: \$3000

Shed for landscaping tools: \$2300.

Gardening tools: \$700

•Total: \$19,800

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### Sculpture Pedestals:

•Pedestal 1: \$500

•Pedestal 2: \$500

•Pedestal 3: \$500

•Total: \$1500

•TOTAL: \$50,000



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- 6. Describe and provide a timeline for how you will acknowledge and publicize the SCKLS Libraries
  Transform Grant. Copies of recognition documentation including acknowledgements and publications
  as well as a brief evaluation of the project must be submitted to SCKLS prior to December 15, 2024.
  Note: Failure to provide recognition and evaluation documentation prior to December 15, 2024 will
  result in your library's ineligibility for SCKLS grants in 2025.
- •October 2024:
- •Begin preparations for acknowledgment materials, including press releases, social media announcements, and website updates.
- •November 2024:
- •Publish a press release announcing the receipt of the SCKLS Libraries Transform Grant, highlighting the Harmony Garden project and its positive impact on our community.
- •November 2024 December 2024:
- •Share the news of the grant on our library's official website, ensuring that it receives prominent placement on our homepage and grant-specific landing pages.
- •December 2024:
- •Submit copies of all recognition documentation, including press releases, social media posts, website updates, and any other publications to SCKLS as required.
- December 2024:
- •Begin preparing the brief evaluation of the project, outlining the achievements, impact, and benefits of the Harmony Garden.

Recognition Documentation:

- •Press Releases:
- •We will draft and distribute press releases to local newspapers, online media outlets, and community newsletters, highlighting the SCKLS Libraries Transform Grant and its role in realizing the Harmony Garden.
- Social Media Announcements:
- •Our library's official social media platforms, including Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram, will feature regular updates and posts acknowledging the grant, along with visuals and progress updates of the Harmony Garden project.
- Website Updates:
- •Our library's website will prominently display information about the grant, including its significance, the Harmony Garden project, and its expected benefits for the community.
- 7. Attach additional files supporting your application here as well as any additional information you wish to include:



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### **CONDITIONS**

Applicant must meet with the SCKLS Director prior to submitting grant application. The following conditions will be reviewed as part of the meeting:

If applicant is a school library, school library services must be administered by a licenses school library media specialist in compliance with Kansas Administrative Regulation 91-31-32(c) (9) (e) Library Services.

The minimum amount of matching grant request is \$5,000 and the maximum amount is \$25,000.

The primary purpose and costs associated with this grant application cannot be for projects or programs to repair or maintain for roof, heating/ventilation, electrical or other building infrastructure. A factor in determining grant eligibility is whether the proposed project or program will fully meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility guidelines.

The costs identified in this grant application cannot not/will not be duplicated in the applicant's other program/project funding or in applications for other SCKLS grant programs during 2024.

Award of the Libraries Transform Grant does not exclude an applicant member library from eligibility for other SCKLS grants subject to respective SCKLS grant guidelines.

A member public, academic, school district or special library that has previously been awarded a Libraries Transform Grant is ineligible for re-application for a seven year period from the date of original grant award.

Application does not guarantee award. SCKLS reserves the right to not award or to partially award any application. Award may vary depending on the availability of grant funds from SCKLS and upon number and amounts of qualified grant applications from member libraries. If program/project completion prior to December 31, 2024 is contingent upon full award by SCKLS, applicant must disclose below if partial grant award is acceptable or not acceptable.



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	Indicate one only	:	
	Applicant acknowledges that full grant award by SCKLS <u>is required</u> for the program/project to be completed and that partial grant award is not acceptable.		
<b>√</b>	Applicant acknowledges that full grant award by SCKLS <u>is not required</u> for the program/ project to be completed and that partial grant award is acceptable.		
Applicant is responsible for informing SCKLS (paul@sckls.info) in writing of any significant changes in the application and providing supporting documentation in a timely manner to SCKLS about any significant changes detailed in the application. Non-compliance with any detail or condition described in this application may result in the applicant library forfeiting its eligibility for any future SCKLS grants for a period up to three years. SCKLS will provide the applicant with written notice and request for compliance should forfeiture be considered.			
Applicant Acceptance and Acknowledgement			
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Andover Public Library 1511 E. Central Ave Andover, KS 67002 Tom Taylor Director

Libraries Transform Grant Application Andover Public Library: Sidewalk Extension Estimate

Tom,

For your planning and application purposes we have the following estimates. To install a meandering sidewalk path from the existing south side patio and whale drum feature to the Northwest cross walk connection: Estimate assumes 280 feet of sidewalk, 4" thick).

6' wide sidewalk would be estimated at \$15,120

5' wide sidewalk would be estimated at \$12,600

It would be fair to account for an additional \$1000 for any irrigation repairs or necessary adjustments to the system, minor dirt work and reseeding along the new sidewalk edge.

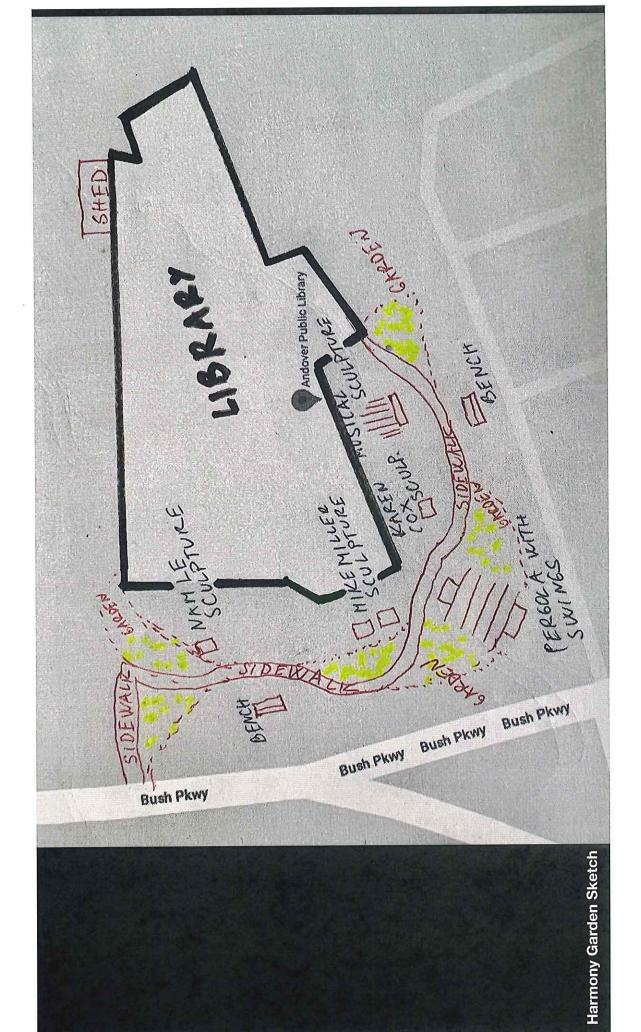
Daniel Schapaugh Parks & Recreation Department Manager

123 N. Prairie Creek Parks & Rec Shop

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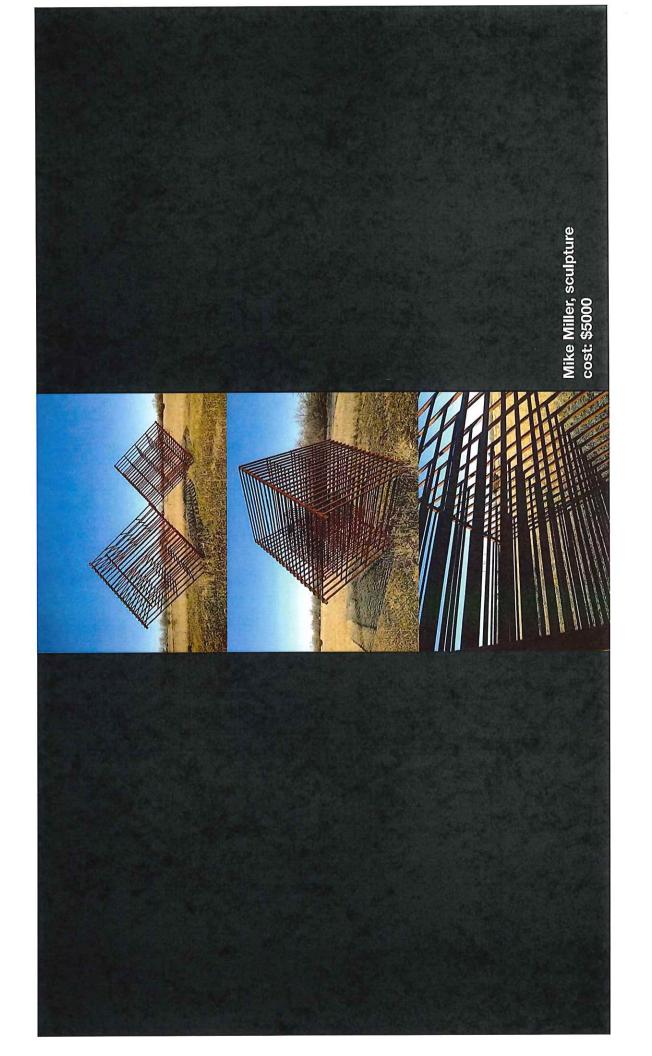




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Pergola price estimate: \$5,450







Nam Le, sculpture, cost: \$5000







Karen Cox, sculpture, cost: \$2500

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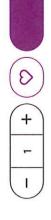
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