Jackson County
Municipal Grant Application Form

Purpose

The purpose of the Municipal Grant Program is to assist the municipalities of the county with the implementation of worthy projects that will directly benefit not only the citizens of the municipality, but all the citizens of Jackson County.

Calendar

Applications for the Municipal Grant Program will be accepted until 5:00 pm on November 1, 2019. The Board of Commissioners will review the applications during the November work session and grant awards will be announced at the November mid-month meeting. Grant funds will be available after award.

Grant Amount Available

$20,000 has been earmarked for the Municipal Grant Program. Individual grant requests are limited to a maximum of $5,000 per municipality.

Municipality: Town of Sylva
Date of Application: October 30, 2019
Project Name: Evalina Street Crosswalk Project: Pedestrian & Handicap Accessibility Improvements
Project Description: The Town of Sylva is requesting the Jackson County Municipal Grant funding to relocate the crosswalk at the intersection of Main Street and Evalina Street, extend the curb on Main Street, and install additional street furnishings in the bump-out. The total project cost is $5,980, so the town is requesting $5,000 to fund the project. The crosswalk at the intersection of Main Street and Evalina Street is located on the east side of a one-way street, so cars travelling down Evalina Street and turning onto Main Street are only looking west (left-hand side) for oncoming traffic instead of looking to the east (right-hand side) for pedestrians in the crosswalk. Downtown Sylva's original streetscape plan showed the crosswalk on the west side of Main Street. The crosswalk would be safer for pedestrians if it was located at the west side of the intersection. If relocated, drivers could look to the west (left-hand side) and see oncoming traffic as well as pedestrians crossing Main Street. The curb on the north side of Main Street would be extended to the west and made handicap accessible for vans with a ramp. The curb of the bump-out would be designed for a handicap accessible parking space. Attached pictures show both the current and proposed location of the crosswalk. Grant funding would also be used to add a planter and bench that match the existing

streetscape furniture. The new bench would face the Historic Courthouse/Public Library Complex. Benches and planters improve public spaces by giving pedestrians a space to relax. Street furnishings also make the area more attractive which increases business activity. This grant, if awarded, would improve handicap accessibility in downtown Sylva, improve pedestrian safety, and improve the overall character of Main Street. **Use Extra Paper If Necessary**

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Budget Information/Breakdown of Expenses	
Cost Classification:	**Cost:**
Administrative & Legal	
Acquisition of Land, ROW, etc.	
Architectural & Engineering fees	
Site Work	**$2,400.00**
Demolition	
Equipment	**$2,620.00**
Construction	
Grant Match	
Other (please specify) inkind labor match	**$960.00**
Total Project Cost	**$5,980.00**

Source of Funding	**Amount**	**% of Total**
Federal		
State		
Local	**$5,980.00**	**100%**
Program Income		
Other (please specify)		
Total	**$5,980.00**	

Printed Name of Authorized Representative	**Title**
Paige R. Dowling	**Town Manager**

Signature of Authorized Representative	
Paige R. Dowling	

Jackson County Municipal Grant - Attachment

Town of Sylva – Evalina Street Crosswalk Project

Sylva's original streetscape plan (1996) shows the crosswalk on the west side of the Evalina Street and Main Street intersection.

Existing Evalina Street and Main Street Intersection – Looking Towards Main Street

Existing Evalina Street and Main Street Intersection – Looking towards Evalina Street

Proposed Evalina St. and Main St. Intersection

Proposed placement of the crosswalk and expanded handicap assessible bump out

Evalina Crosswalk Improvement Costs	**Cost**
Concrete work (Demo, replacement, brick)	$2,400.00
Matching site furnishings (Bench)	$1,212.00
Matching site furnishings (Planter)	$1,408.00
Labor In-kind Match	$960.00
Total Project Cost	$5,980.00
Town of Sylva Match	-980
Jackson County Grant Request	$5,000.00