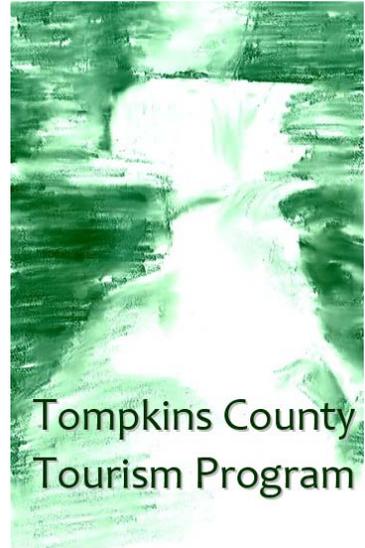


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2017 Budget Request Form

Tompkins County Tourism Program



I. BASIC INFORMATION

Program: Tompkins County Historian
 Applicant Organization: County Historian
 Contact Person: Carol Kammen
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 2015 Request: \$7,500 Product Development or Marketing? Product

Year	Tourism Program Allocation**	\$ Change	% Change	% of Program Budget*
2013	5,500	500	10%	100%
2014	5,500	0	0%	100%
2015	7,500	2,000	36%	100%
2016	7,500	0	0%	100%
Request 2017	7,500	0	0%	100%
OTR 2017	0	n/a	n/a	n/a

* Enter the % of the total program budget that would come from the Tompkins County Tourism Program.

** Enter modified budget amounts where applicable.

II. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The position of County Historian is mandated by New York State Law. The duties are to acquire and preserve historical documents, to research and communicate the history of the county, and to oversee and educate the municipal historians within the county.

III. CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES

There are many challenges: time is one of them. Working without an official office is another.

The opportunities are equally great: we have a rich history, lots of people interested in it and using it one way or another (which is sometimes a challenge), and there are many ways of using our history to forge bonds between people who have long been here and those who have just arrived.

IV. BUDGET NARRATIVE

Describe how you propose to use the requested funds. You may also use this section to expand on your answers to questions II and III.

The funds support the activities of County Historian.

V. PROGRAM GOALS

List and describe program goals for 2016, using the sample format. For each goal listed, describe how you will measure achievement of that goal (you may list more than one measure of achievement for each goal). This will require you to consider appropriate numerical measures and baselines.

Program goals for 2017 include co-chairing the Tompkins County Bicentennial Commission, with Michael Lane, and insuring that the activities reflect our history and the diversity of the population overtime and to create events that will educate, engage, and entertain.

Measuring the various activities of the Bicentennial Commission might be challenging but I hope that STPB will participate in some of them along with other residents in the county.

Other goals include to continue to research county history, to write essays about it, and to answer questions that come to me. In addition, I lead the Municipal Historians of Tompkins County, a group that meets monthly and is currently creating brochures for the Bicentennial Commission on each of the municipal segments of the county.

Also, which goals and critical actions of the Tompkins County Strategic Tourism Plan does this program respond to, and how do your proposed program goals align with goals stated in the 2020 Strategic Tourism Plan?

In my view, all the activities of County Historian mesh with the goals of STPB in promoting the area, making its history and attractions better known, promotion education, entertainment, diversity, and availability.

VI. ACHIEVEMENTS

Please describe your most significant program achievements during 2015 and the first quarter (January through March) of 2016. If possible, please use this as an opportunity to restate your program goals for the 2016 and 2016 budget years and describe progress towards these goals. **In the recent past, the County Historian co-chaired the Tompkins County Civil War Commission and when activities of that Commission ended (in 2016) there was still work to be done to create a monument to the women from the county who went to nurse during the Civil War. Because there is no general monument in the United States dedicated to all the women who nursed in the war (and that number was well over 20,000) this memorial, to be placed on the TC3 grounds, will recognize women who went to war, who defied public opinion to nurse during that conflict, and to link those early nursing efforts with the fine Nursing Program currently at TC3. In addition to the memorial, approximately \$115,000 was raised for scholarships for current nursing students at TC3 and so far four have been given out.**

I have also spoken at a number of events: in Louisville, Brockport, Buffalo and within the county; I taught as Distinguished Public History Professor at the Middle Tennessee State University during May 2015; have written editorials for *History News* and bi weekly columns in *the Ithaca Journal*.

VII. IMPACT OF FUNDING

What would be the specific impact of receiving less funding than you are requesting? For example, what are the things that you would like to be able to do that you would not be able to do? What would be removed or reduced from your plans if you had to make do with less than requested?

I appreciate STPB for funding this position.

VIII. COLLABORATION

What steps have you taken and/or what new steps do you propose to take to collaborate, coordinate, partner, and share information and resources between your program(s) and other room-tax funded programs?

The County Historian works with the Tompkins County Public Library, the Municipal Historians of Tompkins County, Historic Ithaca, The History Center and others. We share information and materials and help each other answer the needs of residents of the county.

ATTACHMENTS

____ Attachment A

2016 project budget in Microsoft Excel.

____ Attachment B (optional or upon request)

Organizational year-end balance sheets and statement of revenues & expenses (or audit) for the most recently completed fiscal year and your most recently reviewed financial statements. Provided in the format you regularly use.