

Sandy Pride Funding Request
May 18, 2019
35th Annual Event

The Sandy Pride Committee (a partnership between Sandy City the Exchange Club of Sandy, Utah) is very appreciative of the support it has received for past Sandy Pride events. Once again, we request your help in funding Sandy Pride. Because this is our 35th annual event, we are hopeful we can do some special things to promote Sandy Pride this year. Additionally, expenses have increased in recent years. We request an additional \$5,000 for Sandy Pride in addition to the \$15,000 the city has given to this endeavor the past several years. We understand budgets are set and this increase may not be possible for this year. However, please consider the following:

--2018 savings to Sandy City was estimated at \$132,500

--Expenses have increased:

Patches, bags, monument costs, trail bench and other expenses have increased over the past 10 years

BAGS: In 2009 our bags cost \$16,405.79, Sandy City gave Sandy Pride \$14,000

In 2015 our bags cost \$19,488.20

In 2016 our bags cost \$20,419.40

In 2017 our bags cost \$20,572 (2018 cost was slightly less due to a discount given by the supplier because they made a color error on a large portion of the bags - \$19,034.46)

PATCHES: 2018 - \$1,775 – These go to Boy and Girl Scouts and other youth and adult volunteers who participate in Sandy Pride each year, 2019 patch art will feature Bell Canyon Reservoir

--Proposed items for the 35th Year

--Coloring Contest using design from the 2019 patch and highlighting the 35th year: children from schools, sponsors, City and others would be invited to participate.

Winners would receive a prize of art supplies as would their classrooms – currently there is no funding for this

--Committee proposed something special for volunteer leaders: possibly a 35th Anniversary hat– currently there is no funding for this

--35th Anniversary would be included on the bags and on other communications in the community – no increased cost

Youth of the Month/Year* scholarships should be increased to be commensurate with other Exchange Club Youth scholarships: currently the chosen Youth of the Month boy and girl from each of our high schools receive \$300 each. Our chosen Youth of the Year boy and girl receive \$500 each. I propose we increase these amounts to Youth of the Month: \$500 and Youth of the Year: \$750. (District winner receives \$1,000, National winner receives \$10,000)

****Please note that Nathan Brown, Alta High School, one of our two Youth of the Year awardees went on to be named the National Exchange Club District Youth of the Year and then won the National Youth of the Year Scholarship (\$10,000 scholarship presented last July at the National Exchange Club Convention in Reno). There is just one national winner selected each year.***

We would also increase the prize to our two outstanding A.C.E. Accepting the Challenge of Excellence, awardees from Valley High school. These young people overcome tremendous challenges to succeed in school and in life. These youth programs are just two of many projects that are made possible by Sandy City and other sponsors of Sandy Pride. A complete list of projects for the Exchange Club of Sandy 2017-2018 is included with this presentation –“2017-2018 Programs of Service”

Sandy Pride is a great event to bring people together to beautify Sandy City each year. Please see the project photos provided by Chris Dodd, Parks & Rec Superintendent. These provide a quick peek at just some of the projects from Sandy Pride 2018. It is a joy to see so many residents of all ages come out each year in support of this great community. Chris has already assembled an impressive listing of major projects for 2019. A few of the 2019 projects will be:

- Senior Center landscaping

- Flat Iron Park arboretum continuation

- Jordan River clean-up

- River Oaks project

- City Hall – 250 flats of flowers+

- Tree from Twin Pines to be planted and dedicated at a Sandy school, monument marker is included in this project

- Bench for Sandy Canal Trail

- Many more projects yet to be determined!

Thank you for considering this proposal. Thank you for your support.

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