

Chapter Name

Idaho Gourd Society, Rho Chapter

THE NEED. *Please provide details on hardships your chapter experienced in 2020 due to the pandemic.*

1. **Membership:** Income from membership dues declined from \$1,297.57 in CY2019 to \$662.00 in CY2020 resulting in the loss of \$635.57 in CY2020.
 - a. Note: Two factors must be considered in this calculation; first, the actual decline in the actual membership count and second, a \$5 COVID discount provided as an incentive for members to renew their membership for CY 2020. The \$5 discount was not offered in CY2019. (See Atch #1,#2 and #4 Oct, Nov, Dec)
2. **Festival Cancellation:** 2019 financial records were used to extrapolate \$644.60 as the 2020 Festival losses taken as a result of this cancellation. Total 2019 Festival income was \$5,463.36 and expenses were \$4,818.76. (See Atch # 3)
3. **Idaho Artistry in Wood (IAW) Show Cancellation:** 2019 financial records were used to extrapolate \$206.65 as the losses taken as a result of this cancellation. Total 2019 Festival income was \$350.00 and expenses were \$143.35 (See Atch #2)
4. **Wheel of Goodies Revenue** - 2019 financial records and 2020 records show an average revenue of \$44 per monthly membership meetings from "Wheel of Goodies" raffle activities. Historically, there are ten membership meetings scheduled annually where the "Wheel of Goodies" is available for members' participation. Only three membership meetings were held in CY2020 and seven were cancelled due to COVID-19 government mandated restrictions. IDGS lost \$308.00 in revenue as a result of those mandates. (See Atch #1 and #4)

THE GOAL. *Please provide details on any efforts and/or actions your chapter has or would like to take to relieve and/or rectify these hardships.*

1. IDGS currently has 89 members. Past records show previous numbers closer to 130 members. Accordingly, we have set a tactical goal to grow membership to 100 by the end of CY 2021 and a strategic goal closer to the 130 number in the future.
2. Return to monthly meetings at the Boise Woodcraft store where our members have an established comfort level and we can restore the Wheel of Goodies activity as well as the popular show-and-tell activity.
3. Hold Annual IDGS Festival in October 2021.
4. Return to IAW Festival in March 2022.

HOW MUCH. *Requested Amount of 2021 AGS Grant Program funds? (Each active chapter may propose an amount NOT to exceed \$250)*

\$250

CONFIRM. *Does the chapter understand they will need to produce and/or provide the required documentation to support the chapter's use of the granted funds?*

Yes

Names of current President & Treasurer:

President - Ron Swank

Treasurer - Corlis Kent

Name, email and phone of Chapter's CONTACT PERSON for Grant application.

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