

IFCN- Investment Fund for Core Needs - Entry #223 2018-2019

PROPOSAL SUMMARY

Title: John Deere Multi Use Vehicles

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Project Lead Department: Athletics

Project Lead School/Division: Enrollment Management and Student Affairs

Total Amount Requested: \$20,000.00

Name of Sponsor 1: Katy Wilson

A. PROPOSAL DESCRIPTION & IMPACT

A-1. Description of the Initiative.

The student-athlete experience is one of the basic tenets of Division III philosophy, embracing the concept that the athletic experience is an integral part of the overall educational experience. Coaches and athletic administrators provide the direct and indirect support for their student-athletes much like faculty and advisors. With the gym and playing fields as our classrooms, we create a learning environment that sustains the development and pursuit of excellence of our student-athletes.

In order to provide fair and competitive environments, it is incumbent upon Athletic departments to maintain safe practice and competition venues for all teams. At Brockport, we are fortunate to have outstanding game and practice facilities across the expansive footprint of the Tuttle Athletic, the Shriver Kennedy Stadium, Huntley Parker, and Whited Athletic Complexes. On any given day, particularly during the fall season, we may have 7-8 teams training or competing at separate venues. Providing the medical and logistical support necessary to ensure the safety of all competitors requires a significant amount of personnel and vehicular assistance.

The Athletic Training staff is an essential component of every Athletic department. They are the specially-trained medical staff that provides general injury care and prevention and also serve as first responders at practices and competitions. Under their watch, student-athletes are observed for proper hydration, injury prevention including hyper and hypothermia.

Having ice, water, medical supplies including first aid and AED units is required at all times. Athletic trainers need reliable transportation to deliver these items to each venue. They also need the means to transport an injured player from the field to the Athletic training facility (Tuttle South) or respond to an emergency at another venue in under 3 minutes, the standard established by the National Athletic Trainers Association (NATA).

The industry standard is an enclosed 4x4 John Deere utility vehicle with a cargo box to provide safety from the elements as well as the ability to transport cargo quickly and safely. These vehicle cost approximately \$10,000 apiece. We are requesting \$20,000 for the purchase of two vehicles in order to

replace the two existing ones owned by Athletics, one of which is beyond repair and the other which is unreliable and long past its life expectancy.

A-2. Impact Statement: What change will this project deliver in the short term? What are the expected longer-term impacts?

This project would immediately impact our home event and Athletic Training staffs, providing much needed support to transport medical supplies and equipment to our outdoor venues. It would also provide reliable transportation for them to bring injured student-athletes to Tuttle for treatment. In addition, this project would provide support to the KSSPE department when their instructors need to transport equipment and/or are using the more remote outdoor facilities at Brockport.

We would also implement a similar transfer plan to Recreation or Facilities after 3-4 years of Athletic use if they would service their department's less-demanding needs for utility vehicles.

B. STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

B-1. Outline the ways in which the proposed investment will contribute to the College Strategic Plan Goals, and if appropriate, their Measures of Success.

1.1, 3.2, 3.3, 4.4– elevate the Brockport student experience; improve fiscal management and efficient delivery of programs; collaboration with other units for improved delivery of services; best practices related to risk and liability.

C. SUSTAINABILITY

C-1. How will this initiative become self-sustaining beyond the initial funding period?

The initial funding would provide the Athletic with necessary funding for purchase of vehicles and allow us to plan for replacements in a 3-4 year cycle. If the Facilities department is willing to collaborate and "purchase" the used vehicles at the end of each cycle, that revenue can also be directed toward replacement costs.

D. IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

D-1. Identify the specific activities to be funded from the Investment Fund. Provide an estimated timeline for implementation and for activities anticipated to be ongoing. We would purchase two vehicles in the summer of 2018 for immediate implementation during the the fall preseason beginning in August. The extended timeline depends on the durability of the vehicles, but our tentative plan is to replace one in year three and the other in year four, simply to avoid the significant budget impact of replacing both in the same cycle.

E. CONSULTATION

E-1. For requests involving technology. Has the Chief Information Officer (Bob Cushman or his designee) reviewed this proposal and verified potential costs as it relates to technology: No

E-2. For requests involving facilities. Has the Director of Facilities & Planning (John Oowski or his designee) reviewed this proposal and verified potential costs as it relates to facilities: No

E-3. The Project Lead has confirmed other required resources with the appropriate supervisor: Not Applicable

F. BUDGET & OTHER FUNDING SOURCES

F-1. Itemized Budget (Excel format ONLY): [On file]

F-2. Total Amount Requested: \$20,000.00

F-3. This proposal includes: Not applicable.

F-4. Other funding sources* for this proposal? Not applicable.

F-5. Is the success of the project contingent on receipt of funds from any additional funding source(s) No

G. ASSESSMENT PLAN

G-1. How will you assess/measure the effectiveness of this initiative? Provide anticipated outcomes and specific measurements for success.

While we can certainly survey and assess feedback from the Athletic Training and home event staffs, given that our one remaining utility vehicle is well beyond its life cycle and unreliable, we know that the impact of a new vehicle will be significant and immediate.

It may be difficult to quantify the time and energy saved by having reliable transportation, so we would be open to any suggestions to help us measure.

H. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

H-1. Please provide any additional information to assist in the review of the proposal, including why the initiative cannot be funded from divisional resources.

Upload up to three supplemental files here (not required): [On file]

Signature of Project Lead: [on file]

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Signatures of sponsors are on file in the Administration and Finance Division.