

Lake Samish History Grant Program

Background: In 2016, the Lake Samish History Group published the book *Lake Samish Reflections: Historical Views and Memories* as part of the Lake Samish Association (LSA). All book sales are go toward the support of Lake Samish activities and events.

Intent: Request, fund, and support applications for projects that would enhance the Lake Samish community. Two examples are the purchase of speed signs placed along crucial roads around the lake and the purchase of a bench by the outdoor community book library.

Scope and Procedure:

- The LSA will regularly announce the Grant Program, collect applications, coordinate review of applications, announce applications funded, and provide the funding.
- Funds requested for projects should not exceed \$500.
- For the year 2024, project applications must be submitted by June 15.
- A proposed project may receive less than the amount requested (or more if warranted).
- For tax reasons, the requested funds cannot be used to pay stipends for any individuals.
- Except in rare circumstances, allocated funds will be paid once the project is completed and a summary report submitted.

Requirements:

- Applications must explain how the suggested projects will enhance the Lake Samish community.
- Applications must show a local focus for the project, along with a demonstrated need or rationale.
- Applications must be submitted using the form provided.
- People who have not received prior grant funding have priority, though people with past successful projects can submit new applications.
- Applications involving matching funds and/or volunteer activities are not necessary but would be viewed favorably.

Evaluation Process:

- Submitted applications will be evaluated by a subcommittee involving two members of the history author's team and one member of the LSA Board.
- This LSA board member will report to the board, provide a summary of the submitted applications, and state the recommended funding approved for specific applications.
- Authors of all applications will receive a written response by June 30.
- Authors of funded applications will receive written feedback and the specific funding amount allocated.
- Authors of applications not funded will receive a written explanation of denial and feedback that could encourage resubmitting a revised application in another year.

Application for a Lake Samish History Grant

Descriptive Title for Project:

Proposer:

Name:

Phone Number:

Address:

Email:

Describe the project:

How will this project enhance the Lake Samish community?

Timeline for completion of project:

Details for use of the requested funds:

Any matching funds and/or volunteer activities involved in project:

Questions? Contact Joan Ellsworth (lakesamishfarm@gmail.com).
Submit this application to Joan Ellsworth (lakesamishfarm@gmail.com) by June 15th.