2016 HCC
Grant Info Session
The HCC promotes the conservation of our cultural and natural heritage to honor our past, enrich our present, and inspire our future.
To learn more about the HCC:
http://www.douglascountyks.org/hcc/who-we-are

HCC Grant Information may be found at:
http://www.douglascountyks.org/hcc/grants-and-survey
This is a county-wide competitive grant program.
## HCC Budget

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2016 Heritage Grant Program

Grant Funds Available for 2016 = $225,000

Two Grants Categories:

• Major Grants $90,000 to $124,000
• Target Grants Up to $89,999
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Grant Timeline:

• Application Deadline March 15 - 5:00 p.m.
• Presentations March 24 and March 31
• Evaluation April 14 and April 21
• Recommendations to County Commission May 4

Awards Announced Mid-May
Grant Agreements Signed May-June
Who May Apply? Douglas County based entities:

- Non-profit organizations or businesses
- K-12 schools, colleges, universities
- Any unit of local government

Individuals, families, or out-of-county organizations, businesses or units of government must have a Douglas County partner
What Types of Projects are Eligible?

- **Agriculture** (working or heritage farms; high quality agricultural soils)
- Prairie, Woodlands, Waterways, Habitat Restoration/Preservation
- **Freedom’s Frontier Themes**
  (Pre-Civil War & Civil War Heritage; Settlement Stories; Enduring Struggle for Freedom)
- **Historic Structures**
- **Pre-settlement History**
Grant Review Process

- Grant applications are reviewed by the Heritage Conservation Council (appointed by the County Commission)

  - 3 members are qualified as outlined in Certified Local Government (CLG) requirements, available at www.KSHS.org

  - 4 members are qualified with experience in areas related to agriculture, tourism, unique/significant lands, economic development, history and the environment

- Current HCC Members:
  
  Shelley Hickman Clark, Ken Grotewiel, Lori Hutfles, Michael Thompson, Michael Arp, Kurt von Achen, and Julia Manglitz
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Evaluation Criteria

Highest criteria:

• *Project provides substantial benefit to the conservation of natural and cultural resources.*

Additional weighted criteria:

• *Matching resources for the project*
• *Project’s sustainability*
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Remaining Criteria:

- Urgency
- Connectivity
- Feasibility
- Educational/Interpretive Value
- Designated structures, districts or landscapes
- Community Impact
- Public Access
- Overall Quality
Evaluation Process:

- Grant Application Deadline: **March 15, 2016**
- Grantee Presentations take place in March & April
  - Required for major grant applicants
  - Encouraged for target grant applicants
- The Council’s Final Review and Recommendations are presented to the Douglas County Commission in May. Funding decisions are made by County Commission.
Grant Management

Project Agreement:

• Signatory
• Conditions

Payment Process:

• Under $5,000 – 100%
• Over $5,000 - 30%/60%/10%
  (This is a reimbursable program.)

Reporting:

• Interim Report
• Final Report
• Quarterly Reports - for projects over $50,000 and 6 months in duration
Required meeting by Feb. 29, 2016!

ALL APPLICANTS MUST MEET WITH PROGRAM COORDINATOR BY THIS DATE TO BE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY.

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Good luck!