

**Yvette Ramirez**

**From:** Jenny Howard <jhoward@gce.coop>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 10, 2020 8:51 AM  
**To:** Yvette Ramirez  
**Cc:** Paul R. David  
**Subject:** CSBG Funds-Graham County  
**Attachments:** Community Projects-Graham.pdf

Good morning Yvette,

Thank you so much for your guidance on this project. This funding is so important to so many entities...especially in the light of this day and age. I hope you and staff are well and those staff who have been diagnosed with COVID-19 are on the way to recovery!

On behalf of Paul David and myself please see below, a list of projects that Paul and I put together for the CSBG funds. I have also attached detailed requests from each entity (pdf attached) that will coincide with the list below. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to Paul or I.

Thank you so much!  
Jenny

Entity	Project	Requested \$ Funding	Proposed \$ Allocation
Pima Museum	AC-Main Museum and Office	7,000-10,000	7,000
Graham County Substance Abuse Coalition	Appliances for House of Hope	7,870	7,870
Friends of the Library	Lobby Upgrade	5,000	5,000
Boys & Girls Club	Club Play Ground Equipment	5,000 of 20,000 of 35,000	12,130
Graham County Safehouse	TV/Temp Scanner/Computers	5,000	5,000
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>37,000</b>

*Jenny Howard*  
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## Jenny Howard

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**From:** Edres Barney <edresbarney@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 19, 2020 1:09 PM  
**To:** Jenny Howard; Clint Woods  
**Subject:** Improvements for Eastern Arizona Museum & Historical Society of Graham Co., Inc.

During the year 2021, museum board members would like to see a heating-cooling system installed which would affect the Indian Room (Main Museum) and office area.

This area has been cooled by a swamp cooler and heated by a furnace, neither which has been very effective or comfortable.

As far as who would benefit from such a project--first and foremost--the volunteer workers who staff the museum and are there on a regular basis. Also, the general public. I have heard the comment countless times "We will come back when it's cooler--it is too hot to do any research" or "to look around".

The cost would be in a range from \$7,000 - \$10,000. and we would like to see it accomplished by the end of June2021.

Another benefit would be how it affects the artifacts. They would be best served by a climate-controlled environment--but that is out of the question due to the age & condition of our buildings. A modern heating-cooling unit would be a great improvement.

Your consideration in this project would be greatly appreciated.

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Eastern Arizona Museum  
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928-485-3032

GRAHAM COUNTY

## Substance Abuse Coalition

7749 US Highway 191

Safford, AZ 85546

(928)322-1747

grahamsubstancecoalition@gmail.com

November 2, 2020

Dear SEACAP Board,

The House of Hope is under construction and when completed will provide a clean, supportive and sustainable temporary home and environment for males who are in recovery from addiction and have completed a rehab or detox program. Individuals who remain abstinent for less than a year, according to studies published by Psychology Today, have lower relapse rates than those who don't. This study also revealed that individuals who were abstinent for less than a year relapsed two-thirds of the time while those who were sober for an entire year did so less than half the time.

We are in need of appliances for the House of Hope and we are requesting up to \$7,870.00 to purchase the appliances needed to operate the kitchen and laundry. The Graham County Substance Abuse Coalition owns the House of Hope and will be the recipient of the funding.

Thank you so much for your consideration. This project is very important to our community and those who need support while entering back into our community.

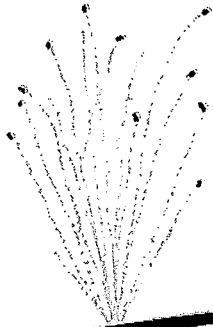
Sincerely,



Kathleen (Kathy) Grimes  
Executive Director  
Graham County  
Substance Abuse Coalition

*Mission: A substance abuse prevention community coalition that provides resources, support, and education to the community through prevention and intervention to reduce substance abuse with a primary focus on reducing youth substance use.*

*Vision: "Building a healthy and vibrant drug free community"*



# FRIENDS

SAFFORD CITY GRAHAM COUNTY LIBRARY

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[friendslibrarysafford@yahoo.com](mailto:friendslibrarysafford@yahoo.com)

**To:** Jenny Howard and Paul David, Co-Chairs  
Southeast AZ Community Action Plan  
**From:** Paulette LeBlanc, President *pl*  
Safford City Graham County Friends of the Library  
**Re:** Community Funds Grant Proposal  
**Date:** October 20, 2020

Attached you will find a proposal from the Safford Library requesting support for two initiatives valued at \$5000. I met with Victoria Silva, library director, on October 15<sup>th</sup> to discuss your grant opportunity and brainstorm needs. She, in turn, met with staff and crafted the attached.

The Friends wholeheartedly support this proposal. Upgrading the lobby to make it more hygienic is critical, but making it a learning space is the icing on the cake. What a wise use of this area! It's necessary to start from the "ground-up", so to speak. Adding new chairs to the computer stations is a must. Once again, COVID has opened our eyes to the need for providing a cleaner, safer environment for our patrons. This will be a welcome replacement for the current wooden chairs temporarily serving patrons.

Should funding be approved, we ask that the Friends serve as recipients of the grant. We are a 501c3 and are poised to accept and manage grant funds. As the fundraising arm for the library, we secure monies specifically for their use.

We look forward to hearing of the disposition of this proposal. I can be reached at (928) 965-0952.

Thank you for your consideration.

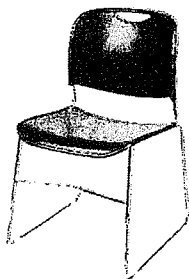
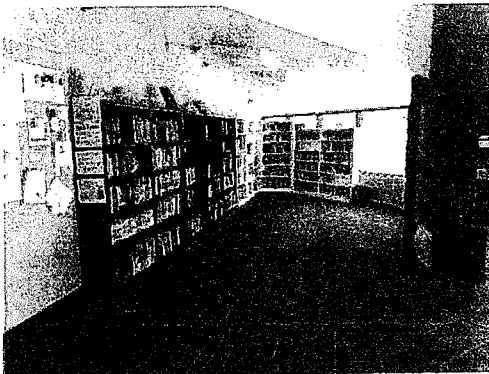
## SEACAP Grant Application – Safford City-Graham County Library

As the library has started to open more services to the public after the pandemic, health and safety in public spaces has been a priority. With additional funds, the library would be able to enhance at least two areas that are utilized frequently by the public: the library lobby and the public computers.

For the lobby area, the library would like to upgrade the flooring on both sides of the brick walkway. It will allow the area to be maintained and cleaned easily, while providing durable flooring. Also, the library has applied for a STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math), grant opportunity that is focused on STEAM programs and future careers for Hispanic females ages 10-13. One part of the grant will include having exhibits displayed for three months each year from 2021-2023. The exhibit can be spaced throughout the library, and one of the areas that it will be displayed is the lobby. We would like to have cohesive flooring in that area before it serves as display space. Pictures of where the library would have new flooring are below.

Also, the computers are used each day by the public. Before the pandemic, the library had fabric chairs, but these have since been temporarily replaced by wooden chairs. Fabric is difficult to maintain, especially as staff is sanitizing computer stations, including chairs, after each use. Going forward, the library would like to purchase computer chairs that are easier to keep sanitized. A picture of the chairs is below.

In total the library is requesting \$5000 for both projects, with \$3361.95 for flooring materials that the City of Safford would install. The remaining \$1638.05 will go towards purchasing an additional twenty computer chairs.



Compact Polypropylene Stacking Chair

**\$64.99**

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Dear SEACAP Board of Directors,

The Boys & Girls Club of the Gila Valley currently serves 40 youth from across Graham County. Pre-COVID-19, we served 75-90 youth daily. We closed our doors in March to assist with social distancing and to "flatten the curve" which left 134 total enrolled Club Members without access to crucial after-school programming.

The Club re-opened this past summer enduring several unseen challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In particular, the continued social distancing requirements led to the reduction in our overall group capacity capabilities along with adherence of new "norms" in personal health wellness procedures.

Furthermore, the COVID -19 pandemic imposed unexpected stress of our budgetary finances and incurred costs. The pandemic required the Club to cancel key fund raising events which greatly hampered our income opportunities. As a result, the following estimated financial losses were experienced:

Estimated Income Loss:

-\$35,000 = We were unable to hold two major fundraising events; the Funding Our Future (FOF) Auction and our 2nd Annual Denim & Diamonds Gala (DDG). Funding generated from the FOF event generally supports our summertime programming while the DDG funds would have supplemented various 2020-21 after-school related club programs and operational costs.

-\$40,000 = 2020-2021 Education and STEAM Grant. This major annual grant was placed on hold as a direct result of the pandemic. It specifically supports our after-school homework (Power Hour) and tutoring program and associated operational costs. This grant was also to support our 4th year of LEGO Robotics programming and would have included an introduction to the "arts" this school year.

-\$5,000-\$10,000 = 2019 AZ Tax Credit donations. Our goal was to match the 2018 contributions of \$21K and believe the economic uncertainties associated with the pandemic directly affected donorship. These funds would have assisted with our end of 2019-2020 school year and early summer program operational costs.

Average Incurred Costs:

-\$200 per month = Cost specifically related to the additional cleaning supplies required to meet CDC disinfection guidelines and related PPE.

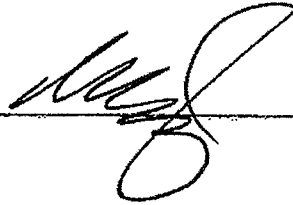
We are seeking \$5000 to supplement the costs for new outdoor playground equipment, play area safety updates, and overhead shading. The estimated costs for this new upgrade is between \$20,000-\$35,000.

The new equipment will replace the current debilitated equipment, update our outdoor safety requirements, and allow for a much needed shaded play area for Club Member's especially during the Arizona summers.

The Boys & Girls Club of the Gila Valley is a charitable service organization and requires ongoing funding. The unforeseen economic and social strains brought on by COVID-19 has greatly affected the lives of those youth we serve. As a non-profit, we rely on donations and grants to continue helping the youth from across the Gila Valley. Thank you for this opportunity and we remain appreciative of any support the SEACAP Board of directors may provide.

I agree to that our organization meets the stated criteria for this microfund.

Signature of Agency Executive Director



10/24/20



# Mt. Graham Safe House, Inc.

Post Office Box 1202

A Regional Safe Facility  
Fax 1-928-424-4438

Safford, AZ. 85548-1202

November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Sea Cap Board of Directors,

*Executive Director*  
*Jeanette Aston*

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*Leslie Jarvis*

As you know, this has been a tough year for everyone due to the COVID-19. Our client's at Mt. Graham Safe House have had some adjustments to make, because we have to make sure that we keep a mandatory curfew of 6:00 pm, in order to keep our client's and our staff safe.

Due to COVID-19, clients are isolated to their dorms at times, so it makes it hard to find things to keep them busy. Our clients could use bigger TV's for client rooms, as the evenings for some, can be very long.

An updated computer system would also be a plus for our clients to use for all of their needs such as, filing for an Order of Protection, updating and making resumes for jobs, and for zoom meetings with clients that do not have their children with them.

Another item that would be beneficial to MGSBH, would be a Temperature Scanning Unit. This free standing temperature screening terminal will create a safe, and comfortable work environment for our employees. This scanner takes a temperature from 1-2 seconds with no physical contact.

Thank you for your consideration,

Jeanette Aston, Executive Director Mt. Graham Safe House  
New TV's for clients - 1,801.00  
Temperature Scanner-2,699.00  
New Computer System- 500.00

*Serving Graham and Greenlee Counties and the San Carlos Apache Nation*

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Mt. Graham Safe House will provide compassionate, caring and confidential assistance to those impacted by domestic or sexual violence.

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1-888-269-9104



Yvette Ramirez

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**From:** Edward Chien <echien@azdes.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 03, 2020 12:47 PM  
**To:** Yvette Ramirez  
**Subject:** Re: GRAHAM COUNTY CSBG COMMUNITY PROJECT

Hi Yvette, I'm afraid I don't think this will fly. Unlike the soccer project, there isn't much gray area about whether this is technically "construction"; and even though the theater is a non-profit, I think the fact that it will be a paid establishment rather than a free community space further sinks the possibility of a waiver from OCS. I'm sorry. I will forward this to Andy as well as Nancy Parker, our Grants Development Specialist, so they can keep an eye out for any grants that might be useful to make this project happen.

Best,

**Edward Chien, MPA**  
**Community Action Program Manager**  
Division of Aging and Adult Services  
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On Tue, Nov 3, 2020 at 12:11 PM Yvette Ramirez <[seacapyr@qwestoffice.net](mailto:seacapyr@qwestoffice.net)> wrote:

Hi Edward:

Can you please tell me if this would be an allowable CSBG community project for Graham County? It was sent over to me by one of our Graham County Board members for review.

Thanks

Yvette

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Danny Smith  
Safford Downtown Association  
808 South 8<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Safford, AZ 85546

10/8/2020

South Eastern Arizona Community Action Program  
283 W. 5th Street Safford AZ 85546  
Phone: (928) 428-4653

**RE: \$5,000 grant request for the Safford Theatre Project ADA compliant restroom remodel**

Dear SEACAP Board Members:

Thank you for this opportunity to apply for grant monies to complete this important aspect of this economic development project in Safford’s commercial business district. We ask that you consider a \$5,000 grant to the SDA for this purpose of completing the \$48,359 cost of the new restrooms.

**Project Description**

In 2017 the SDA, a non profit, received a UWGGC \$50,000 grant which launched this Safford Theatre. The Safford Theatre project rebuilds the historic theatre into a theatre, performing arts, concerts and event center in downtown Safford. So far we have raised \$488,000 of the projected \$726,000 needed to reopen the Theatre and we have used those monies to demolish, designed, and rebuild the Theatre to the point we are approximately 2/3's complete with approximately 2/3's of our fundraising complete. Including this ask, we expect to receive all of the needed monies to complete the project in November 2020. This project intends to anchor a downtown retail shopping environment employing 689 people utilized by a surrounding population of approximately 70,000 consumers. This project is intended to be a tool in attracting tourism dollars visiting from outside the resident 70,000. In the first year, this project will impact 689 employees and the 27,000 event attendees. We intend to open in the summer of 2021.

**Need for this project in our community.**

Downtowns are required to deliver a shopping “experience” beyond goods and services. The health of downtown is important as the heart of Safford is collectively one of the top 5 largest employers and 2nd largest sales tax producer in the Gila Valley. The Safford Theatre is expected to be an economic engine bringing sales tax spending to downtown primarily after 5 pm. Downtown is also the business incubator where many businesses start out, further diversifying our economy. The project has the ability to inject another event and entertainment venue into the heart of downtown. Besides the inherent historical and cultural benefits of saving the building, the venue is mean to be a rising tide lifting all ships.

**Expected Results**

Success will mean a new venue on main street that is programmed out on a yearly basis hosting weekly and nightly performances, meetings, concerts, and events. Our purpose is to make the cash register ring at existing retail businesses and enable a proliferation of new businesses in our downtown area as a result of increased foot traffic. The success of the building and attendance will be easy to document on a nightly, weekly, and monthly basis. The large restrooms will be a de facto restroom addition for all public events held in downtown Safford.



### Some of our in-kind donations

We have received about \$191,700 in in-kind donations for this project since we began 2017. We have raised about \$488,000 in cash and in-kind. We have received free engineering from Bowman Engineering, Eagle Scout project labor, sound and lighting donations from Chuck Hoisington, landfill use waivers from the City of Safford, pro Bono attorney and finance work from Jared Smith and Sorensen Financial.

### Some of this project's collaborations

The GVHPC, The City of Safford, the SDA, David and Susan Duros, Bill Lewis, Joe Dominquez, Safford High School Art Department, CMI Signs, B.C. McKinney Theater consultants, City Electric Supply, Volvo Rental, Home Depot, Safford Builders, Mark Efros, the Graham County Juvenile Probation Department, Greg Owen (EAC professor of Theatre design) have donated cash, hours of labor and in-kind services. The façade of the building was completed with grants from the SDA. The City of Safford paid for studies from GLHN Architects, Westlake Reed Lekosky and Souder Miller that guide our plans. Safford Mayors Green, Gibbs & Kouts contributed their organizing as well as labor. We expect more collaboration from Safford and EAC art and film students.

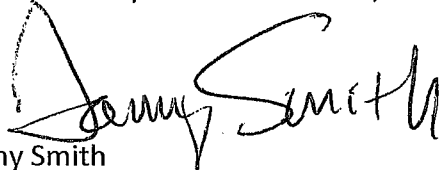
### Purpose of this specific request.

Originally the Safford Theatre operated with 1 small non ADA compliant restroom. We have already added the pad, plumbing, walls and heating/cooling for large new restrooms to serve a theatre. The restrooms are so much larger than the original one stall restroom that we need assistance to furnish them with the needed fixtures required in a 21<sup>st</sup> century operation.

### Restroom Budget

\$24,600	Foundation, pad, rough plumbing, walls, sheetrock, electrical, heating and cooling <u>Improvements to this point</u>
\$2,824	Powder Coated Partitions
\$14,505	Restroom Flooring
\$5,000	ADA Restroom Fixtures
\$1,250	Lighting Fixtures (already purchased)
\$780	Texture and Painting
<b>\$48,359</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>

Thank you for your consideration,



Danny Smith  
Safford Downtown Association