

**Hancock County Tourism Commission
Grant Request Form**

Revised and Approved 06/14/2016

The Hancock County Tourism Commission offers a grant program that assists local organizations with projects that increase tourism and attracts out-of-county visitors to economically benefit Hancock County. Organizations requesting funds must use the funds to bring in new business; develop local events, attractions, festivals or sporting events. It is our goal that funding such projects will draw and increase the number of visitors, especially overnight visitors to Hancock County, thereby providing added economic benefits to the community.

Grant Requests will be provided to the Tourism Commission for Review and Approval. Please submit to the Tourism Director by email at tourhancockcounty@outlook.com, or by mail at Hancock County Visitor Center 119 W. North St. Greenfield, IN 46140 **at least 5 business days prior** to the tourism meeting (it meets the second Tuesday of the month at 5pm at Greenfield City Hall). **A representative must attend the meeting to answer any questions/clarifications that the commission may have in regard to the request.** Attach additional information as required.

Please note, that at the end of your project or event, you must submit a written report or present a follow-up report to the Hancock County Tourism Commission. This report must be made within 60 days of the end of your project. Failure to submit a follow-up report may adversely affect future grants.

Applicant Information

Company, Business or Organization Name Applying for the Grant:

__Jane Ross Reeves Octagon House Foundation

Contact Person and Title: Virginia Harrell,
Member

Mailing Address: 400 South Railroad Street, P.O. Box
258

City: Shirley, _____ State: In __47384__ Zip: _____

Preferred Phone Number: 765-738-6736 _____ Alternate Number: __765-737-6856 _____

Email: lamoine.harrell@comcast.net _____ Date of
Incorporation: __1997__

Federal Tax ID Number (if applicable) 35-1967197 _____ Not for Profit?
__yes__

If yes, Tax Exempt Number: 35-1967197 _____

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List Board of Directors, Committee or Project Members: ___ sheets
attach _____

Request Information

Describe the need or event: We have two projects we would like to be funded with this grant. #1 We need to make improvements to our driveway it is gravel, when it rains it turns to crusher dust. Making improvements will make it safer, cleaner improve accessibility for our Seniors Citizens that use walkers, canes and wheelchairs. Through our tours and events, we are bringing tourism to our community while educating people of all ages about the Jane Ross Reeves Octagon House. The house was moved (9) miles to its present site the house was nominated in 2001 and put on the Indiana National Register of Historical Sites and Structures, because of its significant to American and Indiana history, culture and history of Hancock County and the State of Indiana. The Shirley Historical Society and Visionary committee have moved all of their activities to the Octagon House grounds with all 501© 3 organizations having events, fundraisers and tours there is a need to make improvements to our driveway. Through all of the organizations we are bringing tourism and making a difference to our community Making these improvements not only will the Octagon House benefit the local business and our community will benefit.

#2 A Website will raise awareness of the house and events, increase information about location, admission, attract out of county visitors. Let people know the house is available for weddings, club meetings, reunions. Attract new membership and volunteers. A Website is a good communication tool to let the public know about community events and activities We hope to bring more and more people to our town to visit.

If the need is for an event, what is your estimated attendance? ___300___

How will the funding of this request increase tourism or impact other Hancock County businesses in a positive manner? Replacing the gravel with asphalt will make it cleaner, safer, it

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will make it easier for the handicap to use the handicap ramp to get into the house. Improve the visual appeal of our landscaping. Through a Website it will increase the ability to find information about the Octagon House, location, times, contact person and what activities are available. Making improvements will let us utilize our house increase our tours and events. Our long-term goal is to provide a place for our community to meet, attract tourism, preserve history and provide a long-lasting benefit to Hancock County and our community for generations to come.

How will you measure the impact on the County or your organization from this potential funding?

___Through our increase tours, activities and our visitors quest book.

Request Budget

What contributions are you making toward fulfilling the request? _____

We are an all-volunteer membership none are paid. Two volunteers come from Greenfield, they give the house (24) hours per month of labor that represents (288) hours per year if they charged \$15.00 an hour that amounts to a saving for the house of \$4,320 plus travel at \$480 per year for gas that amounts to \$4,800 per year. The organization pays for the materials of \$700. Another volunteer mows 4 acres 44 weeks a year if he charges \$70.00 for mowing at 44 times \$70.00 that amounts to \$3,080per year. We have one-time room sponsors 8-large are \$1,000 - 8-small \$500 dollars all rooms are sponsored this money went into our checking account but it all went back into restorations of each room. Through these volunteers working it has saved us thousands of dollars that we did not have to hire out-side contractors to do the work this lets our fundraiser dollars be used for other projects. The all-volunteer group has incrementally restored the interior generating funds by hosting fish fries, selling firewood, and other projects.

The White Family Foundation: We received a grant for a community kitchen amount \$5,430 dollar. The kitchen is now completed. We have started advertising that we can have weddings, reunions, Valentine Day parties, club meetings. Henry County Community Foundation: We received a grant for a second restroom amount \$2,960 dollar (2018). With a second restroom we will be able to accommodate the increase of tourism, activities and fundraisers. Henry County United Fund: Has just granted us an Annual Community (1) Day of Caring, they will provide the labor to paint the out-side steps that go down into the basement to the second restroom and put up handicap rails to make it assessable for our visitor's. We will furnish the materials, paint, rollers, brushes and other materials. Work is scheduled for September 7th,2018

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. _All monies raised through fundraisers, events activities and donations go to the house for restoration 100%. We are making a difference in Hancock County and our community.

Please provide an entire budget for your event. You may submit separate documents.

Project Needs	Description
\$__ \$10,000	Crim and Son will do the asphalt_____
\$__ 2,500 Website	Crosspointe Studios, LLC_____
\$_____	_____
\$_____	_____
\$12,500_____	Total Cost

What funding, if any, is being sought from other organizations for this project? _____

___White Family Foundation (parking lot only)

(When possible, the Hancock County Tourism Commission suggests that local companies or contractors be utilized when assisting with this project)

Have you previously requested or been granted funds by the Hancock County Visitors Bureau?
If so, when and for what purpose:

_____No_____

Timing

How soon can the request being considered begin: _____

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What is the timing for the request to be completed: _____

What critical dates need to be considered in the funding process? _____

What other dates are important to this request? __August 19,
2018_____

Signature

I hereby submit this application and supportive documents for the proposed request. I have read and understand that I must comply with the Grant Guidelines attached. I understand that if the funded request is approved, the printed and or broadcast material must indicate that **a source of the funding was the Hancock County Tourism Commission.**

Applicant Signature: _Virginia Harrell_____ Date: _____

Title: __Membership_____

Company or Business Name: _Jane Ross reeves Octagon House
foundation_____

If approved; who should the check be made out to? _Jane Ross Reeves Octagon
House_____

How would you like to receive the check? Circle one

Pick up at Visitor Center / Mail to address on application / Mail to address below.

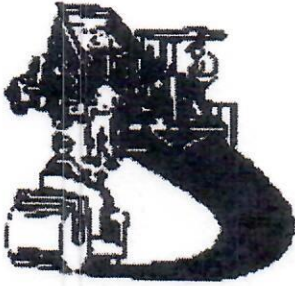
Mail to: _____

FOR TOURISM COMMISSION USE ONLY

Hancock County Tourism Commission Approval: Yes or No

Name: _____ Date: _____

Signed: _____



- Floyd Crim & Sons Paving, Inc.

3640 N 775 E
Manilla, IN 46150
Kevin's Cell- (317) 402-5073
Steve's Cell- (317) 402-3958
Fax- (765) 544-2574
Toll Free- 1-800-742-2471
www.Crimpaving.com

Proposal for Jane Ross Reves Octagon House

Parking Lot Quote

Attention: Virginia Harrell

PO Bx 456

Shirley, IN 47384

Ph: 765-738-6736

Date of Plans: 2018 while in area

- . Price does not include any additional dirt work or extra stone other than what is listed. If any other areas are found to have an insufficient stone base, both dirt work and extra stone needed to obtain proper level will be extra. (\$400.00 per hour dirt work, \$25.00 per ton stone.)
- All asphalt depths listed are after compaction.

We hereby submit specifications and estimates, subject to all terms and conditions as set forth on both sides as follows:

Light Duty asphalt Spec- Car and Pickup Truck access only
Areas- 65' x 50' parking area, 40' x 15' roadway, very small radius
Approx 4,000 sq ft

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-	Finish grade all areas to appropriate level	\$1,000.00
-	Apply 2" #9 asphalt binder	\$6,000.00
-	Apply 1" #11 asphalt surface	\$3,000.00
	Mat ST	<u>none</u>
	Light Duty Total	\$10,000.00

Extras

Price for any extra areas will be based on \$2.50 per square foot.

Date of escalator clause- 2/15/18

- **ESCALATOR/DEESCALATOR CLAUSE**

Due to the extremely high rising costs of liquid asphalt, Floyd Crim & Sons, Inc. must bid an escalator clause. The base bid is the current price of liquid asphalt per ton on the date of this quote. If the price rises any higher, we reserve the right to increase the price to cover the rising costs. If there is a significant decrease, the price could also lower.

We propose hereby to furnish material and labor complete in accordance with above specifications.

Note: This proposal may be withdrawn by us if not accepted within 30 days.

Signature:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'KC' or similar initials, written over a horizontal line.

Kevin Crim, Floyd Crim & Sons Paving

The Octagon House Progression



*Lot where the house now resides
prior to cleaning it up.*



*The Octagon House's Beginning
1997*



The house's former occupant!



What it looks like today!

400 S. Railroad Street, Shirley, IN

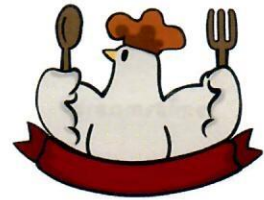
The Octagon House 2018 Events



May 19
Strawberry Treats
Food & Fun
11:00 am - 4:00 pm
The Octagon House



July 7
Fish Fry
Masonic Lodge
11:00 am - 6:00 pm
First St. & Varner St.



August 18
Chicken Noodle Dinner
11:00 am - 4:00 pm
The Octagon House



September 15
Fish Fry
Masonic Lodge
11:00 am - 6:00 pm
First St. & Varner St.



October 30
Community Halloween
Masquerade Party
7:00 pm - ?
Shirley Shelter House -Park



Nov. 30 - Dec. 1
(Chicken & Noodles served)
Dec. 7 - Dec. 8
(Soup & Sandwiches served)
Christmas Walk
4:00 - 8:00 pm
The Octagon House

Visit the house on Sundays April - October 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
(except Holidays)

Tour Information: Call 765-738-6736

Meetings are the first Tuesday of every month @ 6:00 pm
(open to the public)