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Grants available for new, one-day events that build community, attract visitors to Hampton

Feb. 7, 2017 - For the second year in a row, Hampton wants to help fund new, one-day events that build community and attract visitors to the city by offering grants of up to \$10,000 to non-profits with creative ideas for quality public gatherings.

The grants build on a national model called “Love Your City.” Hampton is offering seed money of up to \$10,000 (or \$5,000 a year for two years). Organizations must have matching funds or in-kind contributions of at least 25% of the value of the grant.

The proposed events should address an existing concern - such as prevention, citizen involvement and action, public education and awareness, beautification, etc. - or provide expansions of existing programs that would offer new experiences and encourage people to “Choose Hampton.”

Non-profit organizations interested in applying should visit <http://hampton.gov/3107/Love-Your-City-Event-Grants> for complete details and application materials.

The city has set aside \$50,000 per fiscal year for the grants. Applications for this current period are due by 5 p.m. on March 1. They will be reviewed by a Neighborhood Commission committee, with final approval by City Council.

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