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Q1

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Q2

What are the goals and objectives of your project?

Seal coating and line painting are needed in keeping a well-maintained parking lot not only attractive in making a good impression for library patrons, but for the safety of all that utilize the library.

In 2018 the library increased its parking lot availability of 5 vehicles to that of 12 with three of those parking spaces designated to those of inabilities. A smooth, attractive and well maintained parking lot is crucial for creating a good impression on library patrons and our community. However, without proper maintenance, asphalt begins to deteriorate creating cracks and potholes, making is unsafe for patrons, staff, and deliveries. Line painting allows for the the direct flow of parking areas.

Q3

How will this project change the library building?

By seal coating the parking lot, it helps to maintain an appealing smooth surface and it shows the library maintains all grounds of the library to be inviting and appealing. In repainting the lines for parking spaces, this delineates where and where not to park. Black asphalt also helps to melt snow and ice faster.

Q4

How will this project benefit your patrons?

One year after our parking lot expansion project, in 2019 the library was awarded a \$5000 Construction Challenge Grant from SALS to have our new parking lot sealed, designated lines painted for parking and outside lighting of the parking lot installed for safety. (Some of this grant funding was also allotted toward upgrades of the library lighting inside.) Patrons comment quite often of how accessible and spacious our parking lot is compared to that of other libraries. They find using our drive up drop box very convenient not only for returning library materials but for having the availability of space to turn their vehicle around to exit the parking lot. Patrons also comment on the convenience of designated parking areas for those of inabilities and not having far to walk into the library.

Q5

What is the timeline for the project?

As soon as nicer weather is a certainty, the library will have the parking lot resealed and then the lines redrawn. We will instruct the contractor to begin sealcoating after the library closes on a Friday afternoon - the following Monday. We are not open on the weekends from mid-May through September so this will allow for minimal inconvenience to our patrons. Line restriping will be done when given the appropriate amount of time after seal coating is complete and this will also be done after the library closes on a Friday as to not inconvenience our patrons.

Page 2: Project Assessment

Q6

EVALUATION: What tools will you use to evaluate the program quantitatively (i.e. statistics)? What tools will you use to measure the program's success qualitatively?

Quantitatively we will maintain a daily log of patrons that have utilized the parking lot during or after library hours. Our ring cameras will allow us to see vehicles coming and going using our return drop box.

Qualitatively we will conduct a survey in march of 2025 asking patrons if they find our parking lot conducive to helping them access thelibrary.

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Southern Adirondack Library System 2024 Challenge Grant Application

Budget: \$2490 60

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Date:	3/28/2024	

Submit all documents as PDFs through our online application portal.

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Walk-Through

Community Member: Katherine Santos

We chose Katherine to conduct a walk-through of our library. We felt she would have a fresh set of eyes as she moved to the area within the past couple of years and understands the importance of a library. She does not have the technological resources at home and utilizes our library on a consistent basis. She is in her early 50's and well educated.

Summary:

How the library can be perceived as welcoming:

"In summary, coming to the Fort Edward Library beats the big town library in warm, genuine reception, not just being recognized but being remembered and valued. Assistance is given patiently and willingly to all. Everything is super organized. And the care for the community is evident, not just in the treatment but the fact that they loan cake pans and fishing/outdoors items and a yummy candy jar."

How the library can be perceived as comfortable:

"The environment is made to feel comfortable- curtains, wall art and motivational sayings, handmade signs, flowers, candy- just like going home, except I don't have chores here, only friendly folks and great reads."

How the library can be perceived as being easy to navigate:

"This is an interact if you wish or wander at your own pace environment. Because of its organized layout and it's size I have never not found what I need and I know I can ask for help should that change."

How the library can be perceived as being successful:

"First thought- they are here and open an I was able to find them easily. Second thought- their chemistry of working together and interacting with the community members is definitely key in this library's success. Third thought- seeing the computers, ring doorbell, parking lot lighting, copy machine, printers- they are growing with the times- very encouraging to know."

How the library can be perceived as being efficient:

"Even as I am taking a survey here today, watching staff in between customers, clean, restock, paperwork- not idle- it shows in the organization and cleanliness of this building and the atmosphere created here. Great staff makes for great processes and greater customer satisfaction."

How the library can be perceived as being convenient:

"For me- they are the heart and center of my hometown. On my way to and from work. Walking distance from my home. If they do not have what I need, they get if for me. Priceless."

How the library can be perceived as being fun:

"No stress environment. No judgement zone. Just a safe spot for all to enter. Great vibes given off by staff. Great place to get lost in time, books and nice people."







Parking lot photo end of day

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