



## GRANT AGREEMENT

The grant to your organization from the Compeer Financial Fund for Rural America, (hereinafter “Fund for Rural America”) is for the explicit purpose(s) described in the Grant Application and is subject to your acceptance of the terms described therein.

To acknowledge this agreement, to accept the grant and receive the funds, a signed copy of this Grant Agreement must be completed by Grantee.

Grantee: Sauk County Land Resources and Environment

ID #: 2024

Amount Granted: \$2,500

Grant Period: March 27, 2024 though November 3, 2025

Funds to be used for: renovation and expansion of former County volunteer firehouse building

The undersigned hereby agrees to the following grant conditions:

1. The funds provided by this grant may be spent only in accordance with the provisions of the grantee’s funding request and budget as approved. Grantee shall not use the funds for any purpose prohibited by applicable law, and shall use the funds only for those purposes which are permissible under all applicable laws and regulations, including but not limited to the Internal Revenue Code, as amended and the regulations issued thereunder. Grantee shall comply with any and all applicable federal, state and local laws.
2. No funds provided by the Fund for Rural America may be used for any political campaign, or to support attempts to influence legislation of any governmental body other than through making available the results of nonpartisan analysis, study and research.
3. Expenses charged against this grant may not be incurred prior to the date at which the grant period begins or subsequent to its termination date, and may be incurred only as necessary to carry out the purposes and activities of the approved program.
4. The grantee organization is responsible for the expenditure of funds and for maintaining adequate supporting records consistent with generally accepted accounting practices.
5. The grantee shall return any unexpended funds to Fund for Rural America, which are not used for the approved purposes and/or remain unexpended at the close of the grant period.

6. Funds shall be promptly returned to Fund for Rural America if Fund for Rural America determines, in its sole discretion that the grantee has not performed in accordance with the Terms of the Grant and/or has not met the specific grant conditions of the approved program.
7. For the purposes of making verifications, as it deems desirable toward the fulfillment of Fund for Rural America objectives, Fund for Rural America may conduct site visits and/or review grantee's records at reasonable times during grantee's regular business hours.
8. Grantees are required to recognize Fund for Rural America in all publicity materials related to the funded project or program, as specified in the grant request. Prior to making public any such materials, grantees must submit the text of any announcements and plans for publicity to the Fund for Rural America Officer responsible for the grant. Approval of the Fund for Rural America Officer is required prior to any such materials being announced or made available to the public. Grantee shall cooperate with Fund for Rural America in connection with all publicity materials that Compeer Financial, ACA may wish to publish regarding Fund for Rural America and/or the project, including, but not limited to providing photo releases and/or other consents.
9. Grantee agrees to indemnify and hold Compeer Financial, ACA and Fund for Rural America harmless and, at its own cost and expense, defend Compeer Financial, ACA and Fund for Rural America, its officers, employees and directors from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to costs, attorney's fees, and claims for damages arising out of grantee's actions in furtherance of the project for which grant funds have been awarded. Compeer Financial, ACA and Fund for Rural America shall not be liable for any claims arising out of the project or any work performed in connection therewith. Grantee shall be solely responsible for the acts or omissions of its officers, agents, employees, directors and subcontractors."
10. Grantee warrants and represents that it has made no material false statement, or misstatement of fact, in connection with its Grant Application or its receipt of the Grant Funds, and all information previously submitted to Fund for Rural America or which it will submit to Fund for Rural America in the future relating to the grant or the project, is and will be true and correct.
11. Grantee shall not engage in discriminatory practices with respect to the project for which grant funds have been provided, and shall, with respect to all project activities, fully comply with all state, local and federal non-discrimination laws, as applicable.
12. To submit a final report thirty (30) days after the completion of the grant, of activities carried on under the grant, evaluations of what the grant accomplished, and complete financial reports detailing use of the grant funds.
13. **PAYMENT OF GRANTS:** Fund for Rural America reserves the right to terminate or modify any payments pursuant to this grant, including modification of previously agreed upon payment schedules should this be deemed appropriate by Fund for Rural America.
14. **LIMIT OF COMMITMENT:** This grant is made with the understanding that Fund for Rural America has no obligation to provide other or additional support to the grantee.

15. Nothing contained in this Agreement, nor in the application process or the granting of funds, shall be intended or construed in any manner as creating or establishing a relationship of partners or joint venture between the grantee and Fund for Rural America, nor shall grantee be considered or deemed to be an agent, representative or employee of Compeer Financial, ACA or Fund for Rural America.
16. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Wisconsin and any proceedings or disputes arising out of this Agreement shall be venued in Dane County, Wisconsin.
17. The waiver of any breach of any provision of this Agreement by Fund for Rural America shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any such breach in the future or any other breach of any other provision.
18. Grantee hereby states that no goods or services were received in exchange for the donation from Compeer Financial, ACA.

In accepting the grant, the grantee accepts the terms stated in this agreement.

Organization: Sauk County Land Resources and Environment

Signature of Authorized Representative:  44FD9858791C4CF...

Printed Name / Title: Brent R Miller Administrator

Date: 4/1/2024