

TRIUMPH GULF COAST, INC. PRE-APPLICATION FORM

Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. ("Triumph Gulf Coast") has created a pre-application process to provide initial consideration of potential ideas for projects or programs that may seek an award of funding. Applicants are required to participate in the pre-application process. Notwithstanding the response from Triumph Gulf Coast on the pre-application form, an Applicant may still elect to submit an Application.

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Name of Individual/Entity/Organization: City of Lynn Haven

Brief Description of Background of Individual/Entity/Organization: 100+ year old local government.

Contact Information:

Primary Contact Information: Michael E. White
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Names of co-applicants, partners or other entities, organizations that will have a role in the proposed project or program: Bay County School District; Bay Haven Charter Academy

REQUIRED EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

In a maximum of three (3) pages, please describe the proposed project or program, including (i) the amount of funds being sought from Triumph Gulf Coast; (ii) the amount and identity of other sources of funds for the proposed project or program; (iii) the location of the project or program; (iv) summary description of the proposed program, including how the program will be transformational and promote economic recovery, diversification, and enhancement of the disproportionately affected counties, and (v) a summary timeline for the proposed project or program.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

This pre-application process will **not** result in an award of funding by Triumph Gulf Coast. Rather, this process is designed to facilitate submission of ideas for potential projects or programs before the Applicant expends time and/or resources to complete a full Application. All Applicants for funding are required to complete an Application, which will be scored, and then considered for award in the discretion of Triumph Gulf Coast Board.



TRIUMPH GULF COAST APPLICATION

City of Lynn Haven Sports Park Expansion

Executive Summary:

The City of Lynn Haven is requesting consideration for funding a joint recreational project with Bay District Schools, and Bay Haven Charter Academy. The project consists of expanding the existing Lynn Haven Sports Complex in order to be able to host regional tournaments, specifically for middle and high school baseball, soccer and softball tournaments and additional fields for existing school and recreational team use. The City of Lynn Haven is requesting \$15,843,762 for this project in order to pay for required land acquisition, planning, design, permitting, and construction of the sports fields' addition. The City is willing to contribute \$1,760,418 to this project, the existing sports complex, and a commitment to maintain the new facility in perpetuity. The total project cost is \$17,604,180. The St. Joe Company unofficially agreed to sell approximately 83 acres of land South and East of the current Sports Complex at a reduced rate. See attached Conceptual Plan. The project is located at 2201 Recreation Dr. in Lynn Haven, Bay County, Florida 32444. The plan is to expand the Sports Complex to the South and to the East, which will provide a new connection to Transmitter Road with intersection improvements. There is a growing demand of athletic tournaments for K-12 students in Bay County and its surrounding region. The highest demand is for baseball, softball, soccer, football and lacrosse. Hosting a tournament requires a certain number of fields for each sports type. The Lynn Haven Sports Complex is currently operating at full capacity and has to turn away many participants on a regular basis. The facility is not currently large enough to accommodate the City residents and surrounding area needs. It is also not large enough to host any type of tournaments. It would only provide in its current stage about 30% capacity that is needed for a regional baseball or softball tournament. The park has no capacity for soccer, football, and lacrosse tournaments. The proposed project would increase the capacity to 100% for baseball, softball soccer, football, and lacrosse tournaments.

It takes an average about three days to host a typical sports tournament. Most of the athletes and their parents are required to stay overnight which will generate additional tourist revenue. The restaurant and hospitality industry in this area, which includes increased sales tax, ½ infrastructure sales tax, bed tax

and overall increased economic impact due to the increased visitors. Tournaments could be held year round due to the relatively mild local weather patterns. Many of the local travel teams cannot host tournaments locally because there are no facilities available. Frank Brown Park is primarily booked with out of town visitors and needs more space. This facility would be centrally located for the majority of Bay County participants and regional visitors. This project can serve as an overflow to tournaments held at Frank Brown Park, Frank Nelson Park, Harder's Park and the proposed Sports Village at Panama City Beach that will boost tourism. The local sports teams can also utilize the park to host their summer off season tournaments. A small component of this project is to install a splash pad. Adjacent state highways also provide convenient access for visiting teams from the surrounding counties. The connection to Transmitter Road will improve traffic areas and reduce the trips on SR 390, which currently has a failing level of service.

Project benefits include:

- Better use of resources by sharing sport fields amongst different users both locally and regionally.
- Will create approximately 25 indirect jobs.
- Positive local economic development for restaurant, retail, and hospitality industry
- Will provide more opportunities for local sports participants.
- Will reduce local team travel for weekend tournaments.
- Will create 5 jobs to maintain the facility and run the tournament programs.

Summary timeline for the proposed project or program:

The City is proposing the following timeline for this project:

Planning and Land Acquisition	Nov/Dec 2017 – Apr 2018
Project Design & Permitting	Jan 2018 – July 2018
Project Construction	Sept 2018 – Sept 2019
Begin Recruitment for Regional Tournaments	June 2018
Coordinate with other facilities for shared tournaments	February 2018

Conceptual Park Layout Plan:

See attachment

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October 31, 2017

Via e-mail

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County Manager
Bay County Board of County Commissioners
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RE: Triumph Gulf Coast Application - City of Lynn Haven Sports Park Expansion

Dear Mr. Majka:

The Bay County Board of Commissioners has asked local governments to recommend eligible projects to be considered for funding by Triumph Gulf Coast. The City of Lynn Haven Sports Park Expansion is a project that we would like to submit for funding assistance. Triumph funding will be a tremendous contribution to the Lynn Haven Sports Park Expansion as this project will transform how the City and surrounding communities will be able to host regional sporting tournaments. We respectfully request that the County Commission include the Sports Park Expansion along with the County's projects to be funded by Gulf Coast Triumph. Enclosed for your review is of the City's pre-application for Triumph funding.

As always, we appreciate your support and consideration and if you have any questions, please give me a call at 850.265.2121.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "MEW", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

Michael E. White
City Manager
City of Lynn Haven

Cc: Mr. Jim Muller, County Grants Coordinator
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Chris Forehand, P.E., City Engineer, Panhandle Engineering, Inc.