

**STATE OF LOUISIANA
DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE, RECREATION AND TOURISM
OFFICE OF TOURISM
GRANT AGREEMENT**

**Competitive Grant Program
FY-14**

BE IT KNOWN, the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, Office of Tourism of the State of Louisiana (hereafter sometimes referred to as "State" or "LOT") and Monroe-West Monroe Convention and Visitors Bureau, address: PO Box 1436, West Monroe, LA 71294-1436, phone: 318-387-5691, email: ssnow@monroe-wmonroe.org (hereafter sometimes referred to as "Grantee") do hereby enter into this agreement ("Agreement") under the following terms and conditions.

1) Scope of Work

The goal of the LOT Competitive Grant Program "Program" is to encourage and support marketing initiatives for tourism events that attract and retain visitors to the state and have a positive impact on Louisiana's tourism economy. Specifically, the funds that are provided under the terms of the Program are intended to assist the LOT in fulfilling its public purpose and statutory mandate, La. R.S. 36:208(F), to be responsible for performing the functions of the state relating to promotion and advertisement of the historical, cultural, recreational, and commercial sites, events, and assets of the state; encourage and promote tourism and the tourist industry for the benefit of the people of this and other states and as a developing economic resource; and cooperate with local tourist promotion and convention agencies. The Program is designed to achieve the following tourism objectives: (1) strengthen Louisiana's tourism partnerships and alliances; 2) support Louisiana's tourism industry as a whole; and (3) increase visitation, length of stays, and visitor spending in Louisiana.

- a. **Event Marketing.** In accordance with the LOT's stated goal and objectives, the Grantee hereby agrees to market the Christmas on the River ("Event") scheduled to be held November 11, 2013 – December 31, 2013, in Monroe and West Monroe, LA as set forth in the LOT approved Marketing Plan, Media Plan (Exhibits A1 and A2) and Budget (Exhibit B).
- b. **Qualifying Marketing Expenses.** Upon completion of the Event, the Grantee may request reimbursement up to 50% of actual incurred costs for qualifying marketing expenses as defined in the LOT Grant Application and Guidelines ("Guidelines"). The Guidelines are accessible at <http://www.crt.state.la.us/tourism/grants.aspx>, and must be complied with when implementing the LOT approved Marketing and Media Plans. Grantees who are hosting first-time events may request reimbursement of up to 66% as specified in the Guidelines. For the purpose of this Program, qualifying marketing expenses are defined as the actual placement costs of media that is specifically targeted or directed to areas located outside of a 50-mile radius of the Event. LOT will not reimburse the Grantee for costs that are associated with ad creation or media production. Grantee shall not apply any State funds that are provided from other state sources towards the mandatory cash match that must be provided by the Grantee, under the terms of this Agreement. The total reimbursement shall not exceed the total amount of the LOT approved grant award.
- c. **Event Advertisements.** At least seven business days prior to placing the media, the Grantee shall submit to the Contract Monitor for approval all creative artwork and broadcast scripts, to

ensure compliance and the eligibility of marketing and advertising materials, and resulting expenses that will be funded by the State through the Program. Advertising materials must include the State's official tourism logo and/or verbiage, and must comply with the LOT January 1, 2012 Style Guide ("Guide") that has been established for logo placement (available at <http://www.crt.state.la.us/DOCUMENTARCHIVE/PassionLogo/BrandGuidelinesGuide.pdf>). LOT will not reimburse the Grantee for media and advertising media materials that have not been approved by the State as noted under the terms of this Agreement.

- d. **LOT as Official Sponsor.** Marketing and advertising expenses qualify for reimbursement only when the Grantee acknowledges LOT as an official sponsor of the Event as set forth herein and in the Guidelines.

Grantee shall:

- Prominently display the State's official tourism logo in all grant-funded printed promotional materials, visual advertising, and other publicity pieces that are distributed to the public to promote the Event, regardless of the media source.
 - Prominently display the State's official tourism logo on the Grantee's official Event websites and other prominent websites used to promote the Event. The logo can be downloaded from <http://www.crt.state.la.us/tourism/grants.aspx>. The Guide for the proper placement of the logos is accessible at the website noted above in Item c.
 - Maintain an active link from the State's official tourism logo to the LOT's official tourism website www.LouisianaTravel.com for the full term of this agreement.
 - Verbally recognize the State's support in all broadcast announcements/media scripts that are to be reimbursed by the State. Grantee shall include in all announcements and broadcast scripts, the following phrase "*Visit LouisianaTravel.com to plan your trip today.*"
 - Provide complimentary tickets and/or passes to the Event and related activities that are associated with the Event (if tickets are required for admission) in quantities necessary for LOT's staff to monitor compliance, and carry out its legal responsibilities regarding the promotion of Louisiana tourism. Grantee shall contact the State regarding such access at least fourteen (14) days prior to the date(s) of the Event.
- e. **Changes to Agreement.** The Grantee may submit a written request, by mail or email, to the Contract Monitor for proposed changes to the Media Plan, Marketing Plan, or Budget (Exhibits A1, A2, and B). The Grantee shall not request an increase in the maximum amount of the Grant award. The Contract Monitor will provide a written response of approval or rejection of the request to the Grantee within seven (7) business days. Other than as described herein, any changes to this Agreement will require a written amendment executed by all parties.
- f. **Communication.** Regular communication with the Contract Monitor is required (at least quarterly) throughout the term of this Agreement and is beneficial to both the Grantee and the State to ensure compliance with the terms of the Agreement and the Guidelines. The Grantee is required to submit a written notification to the Contract Monitor of any changes in the Grantee's contact information. Should a period of three months or more lapses without the Grantee communicating with the State's Contract Monitor, the State may at its option, initiate the process of revoking this Grant and terminating this Agreement.

The State's Contract Monitor for the Competitive Grant Program is:

Judy Halloran
Phone: 225-342-8121
Email: JHalloran@crt.la.gov
Mailing Address: PO Box 94291, Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9291

- g. **Final Report.** Upon completion of the Event, the Grantee shall submit a Final Report as specified in Exhibit C. The Final Report may be mailed or delivered to the Contract Monitor. The Final Report form can also be downloaded from the LOT's website, <http://www.crt.state.la.us/tourism/grants.aspx>. Grantee shall complete each section of the Final Report, as applicable, which include:

- **Section I** - Grantee's Name and Contact Information
- **Section II** - Reimbursable Media – Qualifying Marketing Expenses listed under the appropriate media categories of the actual expenses incurred by the Grantee
- **Section III** - Documentation to support the reimbursement request for Media Purchases, which may include media invoices, advertising tear sheets, logs, and other acceptable documents as proof of advertising placement.
- **Section IV** – Final Report Summary – Provide details of the outcome of the Event as noted in Exhibit C.

2) Payment Terms

- a. **Maximum Payment.** In consideration of Grantee's compliance with all terms of the Program, the State hereby agrees to pay the Grantee a maximum sum of **FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000.00)**. Travel and other expenses that are not specified in the terms of this Agreement are not reimbursable.
- b. **One Payment.** It is anticipated that there will be a single payment made under this Grant Agreement. No payment shall be made until after the Event. Payment will be made on a reimbursement basis for qualifying marketing expenses actually incurred by the Grantee as specified within this Agreement and in accordance with the Guidelines.
- c. **Original Invoice.** After completion of the Event, the Grantee shall deliver to the Contract Monitor an original invoice on organization letterhead, the Final Report (Exhibit C), and all supporting documentation for preapproved qualifying expenses that have been incurred by the Grantee in compliance with the terms of this Agreement. The invoice submitted to the State shall reflect 50% (or 66% for first-time events) of the actual cost to the Grantee, up to the maximum amount of the Grant award.

The invoice must: 1) be submitted on Grantee's official letterhead, 2) contain the word "invoice," 3) not exceed 50% of incurred cost (66% for first-time events) up to the total amount of the grant award, 4) reference the Event, 5) be accompanied by supporting documentation for actual costs incurred, and 6) be accompanied by the detailed Final Report (Exhibit C).

- d. **Payment Reductions.** The State reserves the right to reconcile the invoice to the supporting documentation, and will reduce the payment in the event of any of the following:

1) an expense submitted to the State for reimbursement, but not preapproved by the State, 2) the request reflects reimbursements for non-qualifying expenses, 3) the State has not been acknowledged as a sponsor in media promotions in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, 4) inadequate supporting documentation for expenses, or 5) noncompliance with terms of this Agreement.

LOT reserves the right to request and require additional information or documentation in order to adequately verify compliance with the terms of the Agreement.

NOTE: Grantee will not receive reimbursement for cancelled media or media purchased, but not placed by the Grantee.

- e. **Discrepancies.** The State will notify the Grantee of any inadequacies or deficiencies and will allow the Grantee reasonable opportunity to cure any defects. If the Grantee wishes to appeal the State's payment decision, the Grantee must submit a letter in writing to the Contract Monitor within 30 days of notice of any defect.
- f. **Processing.** After verifying the compliance, the Contract Monitor will authorize the payment of the invoice. Reimbursement usually takes 4 -6 weeks from the date of the Contract Monitor's receipt of the invoice.
- g. **Use of Funds.** The Grantee shall be liable for all grant funds that have not been used in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Program Guidelines. If it is determined by the Contract Monitor or by an audit that State funds were expended on non-reimbursable expenses, the Grantee will be required to repay the State in accordance with the terms set by the State. If the Grantee defaults on the Agreement, breaches the terms of the Agreement, ceases to do business, or ceases to do business in Louisiana, it shall be required to repay the State in accordance with the State's terms or requirements.
- h. **Availability of Funds.** Payment is contingent upon the availability of funds that are appropriated by the Louisiana Legislature or may be accrued to the State from other sources.

3) Act 14 Clause

Grantee is informed that no funds appropriated under Act 14 of the 2013 Regular Legislative Session shall be transferred to a public or quasi-public agency or entity which is not a budget unit of the State unless the Grantee executes this Agreement and submits to the LOT for approval, a comprehensive Budget showing all anticipated uses of the appropriation, an estimate of the duration of the project, and a plan showing specific goals and objectives for the use of such funds, including measures of performance. The LOT shall submit this Agreement, the Budget, and any other required information to the Legislative Auditor for approval at ebudgets@lla.la.gov.

4) Responsibility for Payment of Taxes

The Grantee hereby agrees that the responsibility for payment of taxes, if any, from the funds thus received under this Agreement and/or legislative appropriation shall be Grantee's obligation and identified under Federal tax identification number 72-0796386.

5) Term of Grant Agreement

- a. This Grant Agreement shall begin on July 1, 2013 and shall terminate on March 31, 2014.
- b. The Grantee shall not proceed under the terms of this Agreement prior to receiving a fully executed copy of this Agreement from the State.
- c. The Event is scheduled to be held November 11, 2013 – December 31, 2013, in Monroe and West Monroe, LA.
- d. Grantee must submit to the Contractor Monitor an original invoice, a Final Report (Exhibit C), and all supporting documentation due by March 17, 2014.
- e. If the Grantee is unable to deliver the State benefits as specified, or perform the work within the term of the Agreement, the Grantee shall notify the State in writing (email is acceptable) before the termination date of the Agreement, and thereby acknowledge the automatic cancellation of the grant, unless such notification contains a request for an amendment.
- f. Except as provided in Section 1 (e), any alteration, variation, modification, or waiver of provisions of this Agreement shall be valid only when it has been reduced to writing and executed by all parties.

6) Entire Agreement/Order of Precedence Clause

This Agreement and any exhibits specifically incorporated herein by reference, together with the Guidelines and addenda issued thereto by the LOT, and the application submitted by the Grantee, constitute the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter.

In the event of any inconsistent or incompatible provisions, this signed Agreement (excluding the Guidelines) shall take precedence, followed by the provisions of the Guidelines, and then by the terms of the Grantee's Application.

7) Termination for Cause

The State may terminate this Agreement for cause based upon the failure of Grantee to comply with the terms and/or conditions of the Agreement, provided that the State shall give Grantee written notice specifying Grantee's failure. If within thirty (30) days after receipt of such notice, Grantee shall not have either corrected such failure or, in the case which cannot be corrected in thirty (30) days, begun in good faith to correct said failure and thereafter proceeded diligently to complete such correction, then the State may, at its option, place Grantee in default and the Agreement shall terminate on the date specified in such notice. From the date of the termination, no payment will be made by the State to the Grantee. In the event the Grantee has received payment above and beyond documented eligible expenses, the Grantee shall return all such funds to the State.

8) Termination for Convenience

The State may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving thirty (30) days' written notice to Grantee. In the event that the Grantee is not in compliance with the terms of this Agreement at the time of termination, no payment will be issued to the Grantee.

9) Fiscal Funding Clause

The continuation of this Agreement is contingent upon the appropriation and availability of funds to fulfill the requirements of the Agreement. If insufficient monies are appropriated to provide for the continuation of the Agreement, or if such funding is reduced by government action and the effect of such reduction is to provide insufficient monies for the continuation of the Agreement, the Agreement shall terminate on the date of the beginning of the first fiscal year for which funds are not appropriated. Grantee acknowledges that the funding for this Agreement is subject to legislative or administrative action, such as mid-year budget reductions, which could result in a mid-year reduction of funds available to fund this Agreement, which may require amendment or termination of this Agreement.

10) Audit

It is hereby agreed that in accordance with La. R.S. 24:513, the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana, and/or the Office of the Governor, Division of Administration and/or the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism auditors shall have the option of auditing all accounts of Grantee that are related to this grant.

Any quasi public agency or body as defined in La. R.S. 24:513 A (1)(b) shall designate an individual who shall be responsible for filing annual financial reports with the Legislative Auditor and shall notify the Legislative Auditor of the name and address of the person so designated (La. Rev. Stat. 24:513 H (2)(a)).

11) Liability

The Grantee shall indemnify and hold harmless the State against any and all claims, demands, suits, and judgments of sums of money to any party for loss of life or injury or damage to person or property growing out of, resulting from, or by reason of any negligent act or omission, operation or work of the Grantee, his agents, servants, or employees while engaged upon or in connection with services required or performed by the Grantee hereunder.

12) Non-assignability

The Grantee shall not assign any interest in this Agreement and shall not transfer any interest in same (whether by assignment or notation), without prior written consent of the State, provided however, that claims for money due or to become due to the Grantee from the State may be assigned to a bank, trust company, or other financial institution without such prior written consent. Notice of such assignment or transfer shall be furnished promptly to the State.

13) Anti-discrimination

The Grantee agrees to abide by the requirements of the following as applicable: Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended by the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972, Federal Executive Order 11246 as amended, the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended, the Vietnam Era Veteran's Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Age Discrimination Act of 1972, the Fair Housing Act of 1968 as amended, and Grantee agrees to abide by the Requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Grantee agrees not to discriminate in its employment practices, and will render services under this Agreement without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, veteran status, political affiliation or disabilities. Any act of discrimination committed by the Grantee, or failure to comply with these statutory obligations when applicable shall be grounds for termination of this Agreement.

Grantee: Monroe-West Monroe CVB
Event: Christmas on the River

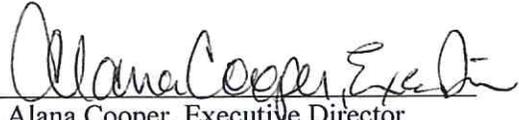
Grant Amount: \$5,000.00
Grant: #866

THUS DONE AND SIGNED AT West Monroe, Louisiana on the 26 day of November, 2013.

WITNESSES:



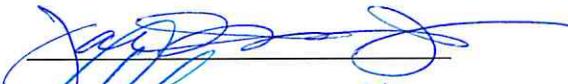



Alana Cooper, Executive Director
for Monroe-West Monroe Convention and Visitors
Bureau

THUS DONE AND SIGNED AT Baton Rouge, Louisiana on the 8 day of November, 2013.

WITNESSES:

Department of Culture, Recreation, & Tourism





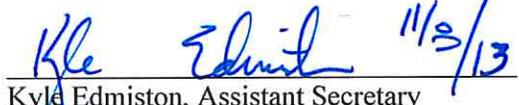
 11/8/13
Kyle Edmiston, Assistant Secretary
Office of Tourism

Exhibit A 1
Marketing Plan

Event Description

In 2008, the director of a local park commented in a community meeting that she had always wanted to have Christmas lighting in the Historic Downtown Cottonport District, now known as Antique Alley. Thus “Christmas on the Alley” was born. Others in the meeting began to build on that idea. This was the spark that led to efforts to develop an event that would utilize Northeast Louisiana’s assets, culture and beauty. After the first year, the event was renamed “Christmas on the River” (COTR) to broaden its scope to include both sides of the Ouachita River, Monroe and West Monroe. Our aim was and remains to bring visitors from throughout the Southern region and beyond to make Monroe-West Monroe a major destination for the Christmas holidays. After the outstanding holiday season just past, we are preparing for our next Christmas season with expectations for a large turn-out and yet another marked increase in Christmas-time sales and hotel stays.

What’s New

The much anticipated RiverMarket, located on the Monroe side of the Ouachita River, began operation in late 2012 and attracted large numbers of visitors and residents several weekends in the fall through the holiday season. The 2012 attendance for this venture bodes well for the 2013 season. An even larger turn-out is indicated for the RiverMarket’s second year of operation. The RiverMarket provides cohesion for our festival that has not been possible before.

The Veterans’ Freedom Christmas Tree debuted at a lighting ceremony in early November, 2012 on the grounds of the Chennault Aviation and Military Museum in Monroe. Relatives of Veterans decorated the tree with clear globes that held pictures, medals and other items indicative of the individual veteran’s service. This tree was a popular addition to our line-up of events and one we expect to stage again this year.

December continues to be the slowest period of the year for overnight stays in the twin cities. To ameliorate this, we will design and heavily promote a special weekend package featuring clustered events for Festival Weekend (first weekend in December) to encourage overnight stays. The package will include offers such as tickets to a local production of “Scrooge” on Friday evening, a Saturday morning tour of the Coke Museum, the Bible Museum and the Biedenharn home, tickets to the “Up on the Rooftop” holiday party on Saturday evening (the best place from which to watch the fireworks) and deals on other Christmas happenings that weekend. We are working to provide some exposure to the Robertson family of Duck Dynasty fame or, at the very least, a tour of their facilities as part of the weekend package. We have the full cooperation of our local hotels and motels to provide special pricing for this type of promotion.

Activities

Crowd-pleasing activities from previous years will be continued, such as the annual Christmas parade, the Bawcomville Redneck parade, fireworks over the Ouachita River, “Santa’s Christmas Village” at the Children’s Museum, the Journey to Bethlehem reenactment at Pecanland Mall, the Downtown Art Crawl, old-fashioned Christmas weekend in Antique Alley, a special Christmas program produced by the Twin City Ballet, Christmas at the Biedenharn Museum and Gardens as well as programs by other community organizations, such as the popular “Scrooge” production. Other favorite activities are the School Art Tree project, the ‘Little Miss Christmas on the River’ pageant and the Scrooge Bah Humbug 5K Fun Run.

After the last three years, some CVB-initiated events have proven successful and require only minor tweaking each year. Others are being phased out or changed, based on feedback received from the public. We believe our chili cook-off has run its course and will not be continued this year. At this time, we are debating the merits of a barbeque cook-off and/or a Christmas cookie bake-off – two foods that better suit the palates of folks from the twin cities.

Our annual Paw-rade, a parade of pets and their owners in costume, will be tabled for another year, giving us time to determine how to make it work better or cancel the event altogether. While the animals are so adorable in their “costumes” we have not determined the winning formula for this event.

After staging our first outdoor Christmas movie during 2011 COTR, we expanded it to two movie nights in 2012. This relatively easy-to-arrange, inexpensive activity has proven to be very popular for our locals. We will continue this event and are considering whether we can realistically stage a third movie night during COTR.

A kids’ activity area, called ‘Kids Alley’ debuted during the 2012 holiday season on the largest day of our festival. We will build on the best activities, such as miniature horse-drawn buggy rides, an obstacle course, exotic and domestic animals, to continue growing this special attraction. At this point in our planning, we expect to add the ‘pets and their owners in costume’ show to Kids Alley.

As we have in previous years, we will showcase all area holiday events under the ‘Christmas on the River’ umbrella in order to provide cost-effective advertising. We will continue the COTR website (seasonal) to keep the public up-to-date on what’s on offer and where each event will take place.

Goals and Objectives

Goal: To develop Monroe and West Monroe into the regional destination of choice during the Christmas season each and every year; to boost the local economy and instill a great appreciation for what Northeast Louisiana has to offer.

Objective #1: To increase attendance by 12% over the previous year with a balanced mix of new and repeating visitors.

We believe that offering varied activities means that we can attract varied audiences to our events. For instance, the Bawcomville Redneck Parade is becoming a serious draw for the area because of the unique nature of its floats and participants. Pet lovers enjoy dressing their animal friends in holiday costumes and showing them off before other animal lovers. Similarly, runners take their sport seriously and appreciate raising funds for a charity they believe in. In fact, most of the events have fundraising components that give back, which is especially appropriate during the season of giving.

Objective #2: To increase the local economy by 6% over the previous year during the holiday timeframe.

After five years, it is now an established fact that 'Christmas on the River' has steadily boosted our local economy with the exception of one hiccup year. Even though Antique Alley shops saw an increase of 12.8% over the previous December during COTR, we cannot project that percentage for the entire area. By averaging the sales tax figures for both cities, a 6% increase for December, 2013 COTR is a reasonable and attainable goal.

Target Audiences

COTR is very popular with young families and seniors. We are also making in-roads with bus groups, with plans to target these even more this year.

The past five years of festivities have yielded data and insight into holiday visitor trends that help greatly in targeting our marketing efforts. A database of "friends" has been developed from this information and is used to update those interested in upcoming events, not only during the holidays but throughout the year. Since tracking began, we have noted a large number of tourists coming from East Texas, with a gradual spread beyond to other counties in Texas. Because of this we have expanded our marketing efforts to reach more of this audience. We will continue marketing to our key states, Mississippi and Arkansas, since these states provide a steady flow of visitors (and shoppers) to Northeast Louisiana. Of the two, Arkansas appears to be the stronger market for us.

Additional Deliverables

We would welcome a representative from the Louisiana Office of Tourism to speak at any event of our Christmas on the River. Specific opportunities are:

- Pre-festival press conference (date to be determined)
- Lighting Ceremony on November 30, 2013
- Saturday, December 7, 2013 of Festival Weekend

All targeted materials will carry the "Pick Your Passion" logo and identify the Louisiana Office of Tourism as a sponsor and/or broadcasting spots will include the phrase "Visit LouisianaTravel.com to plan your trip today."

Performance Measures

We will continue our practice of getting local merchants in event areas to track zip codes of visitors to their stores. This has enabled us to determine the effectiveness of our print, TV and radio ad placements and to discover areas where targeted marketing could be beneficial.

Specific Zip Code Analysis Measures: 1) the addition of new zip codes on merchant reporting forms; 2) zip codes repeated from previous Christmas seasons; a spike or dip in attendance from zip code areas in which advertisement placements are made.

Official Documentation: As usual, we will consult various data providers for hard numbers to ascertain the economic impact of the festival activities on our area. These include the Smith Travel Research report for hotel and motel occupancy rates and local tax offices for sales tax figures (available in February 2013) for the festival areas as well as for the entire area of each city.

We will continue to collect written evaluations and conduct face-to-face feedback sessions with merchants and collect hotel and RV data at the end of each Christmas on the River season to improve the events, estimate the attendance and assess its economic impact.

**Exhibit A2
 Media Plan**

Event: Christmas on the River

Placement (Radio/Television)

Station Call Letters	Marketing Area (DMA)	Spot Length / Frequency	Broadcast Dates	Budgeted Cost	% cost of ad
Ad Systems/ Samford, AL	Birmingham, AL	30 sec/24	Nov. 10- Nov. 23, 2013	\$168	\$84
Charter/ Shelby, AL	Birmingham, AL	30 sec/46	Nov. 10- Nov. 23, 2013	\$396	\$198
Charter/ Birmingham U-Verse	Birmingham, AL	30 sec/34	Nov. 10- Nov. 23, 2013	\$158	\$79
Comcast/Bart-Cordova-Arlington, TN	Memphis, TN	30 sec/92	Nov. 10- Nov. 23, 2013	\$336	\$168
Comcast/ Memphis U-Verse	Memphis, TN	30 sec/92	Nov. 10- Nov. 23, 2013	\$304	\$152
Comcast/ Germantown-Collierville	Memphis, TN	30 sec/96	Nov. 10- Nov. 23, 2013	\$394	\$197
Comcast/ Dyersburg, TN	Memphis, TN	30 sec/48	Nov. 10- Nov. 23, 2013	\$198	\$99
Comcast/ Northern Mississippi	Memphis, TN	30 sec/88	Nov. 10- Nov. 23, 2013	\$344	\$172
Comcast/ Little Rock	Little Rock, AR	30 sec/76	Nov. 10- Nov. 23, 2013	\$1208	\$604
Comcast/ Little Rock U-Verse	Little Rock, AR	30 sec/78	Nov. 10- Nov. 23, 2013	\$536	\$268
Suddenlink/ Fairfield Bay	Little Rock, AR	30 sec/46	Nov. 10- Nov. 23, 2013	\$118	\$59
Comcast/ Tupelo, MS	Columbus-Tupelo, MS	30 sec/76	Nov. 10- Nov. 23, 2013	\$636	\$318
Comcast/ Jackson, MS	Jackson, MS	30 sec/107	Nov. 10- Nov. 23, 2013	\$695	\$347.50
Comcast/ Madison, MS	Jackson, MS	30 sec/98	Nov. 10- Nov. 23, 2013	\$276	\$138
Comcast/ Brandon-Canton, MS	Jackson, MS	30 sec/322	Nov. 10- Nov. 23, 2013	\$322	\$161
Comcast/ Jackson, MS U-Verse	Jackson, MS	30 sec/90	Nov. 10- Nov. 23, 2013	\$251	\$125.50
KLTV	Tyler, TX	30 sec/16	Nov. 18-Dec. 6, 2013	\$2440	\$1220
WJTV	Jackson, MS	30 sec/28	Nov. 18-Dec. 6, 2013	\$2000	\$610
			Totals:	\$10,780	\$5,000

Total Budgeted Cost of Marketing \$ 10,780
Total Grant Request of LOT \$ 5,000.00

Grantee: Monroe-West Monroe CVB
Event: Christmas on the River

Grant Amount: \$5,000.00
Grant: #866

Exhibit B
EVENT BUDGET
(2013 – 2014)

Name of Organization: Monroe-West Monroe Convention and Visitors Bureau
Name of Event: Christmas on the River

Anticipated Income or Revenue

Sources of Revenue	Amounts
Cash on hand	\$60,000
Lighting Investment	\$50,000
Admission/Ticket Sales	\$
Participant and Entry Fees	\$6,000
Vendors	\$
Other Earned Income (Itemize)	\$
Federal Grants (List Sources)	\$
State Grants (LA Lottery)	\$1,500
Community/Foundation Grants	\$
Corporate Support/Local Business Sponsorships	\$25,000
Fundraising	\$
LOT grant	\$10,000
In-kind donations	\$15,000
Total Expected Revenue	\$167,500

Anticipated Expenses

Expense Categories	Total Amount
Staff salaries	\$
Related benefits	\$
Travel	\$
Professional & Contract services	\$40,000
Production and Logistics –Postage, Shipping, Transportation	\$2,000
Printing, Vinyl Signs and Banners	\$3,000
Rentals (Restrooms, Tents, Carriages, etc.)	\$10,000
Facility/Site Rentals - Rental of a hall, fairgrounds, etc.	\$2,000
Utilities	\$8,000
Insurance	\$
Artist Fees – i.e. entertainment	\$8,000
Licensing Fees	\$
Security Services	\$1,000
Acquisitions & major repairs	\$
Sponsor Party	\$2,000
Marketing and Advertising (See Attachment B)	\$41,500
Purchase of new lighting displays	\$50,000
Total anticipated expenditures	\$167,500

Grantee: Monroe-West Monroe CVB
 Event: Christmas on the River

Grant Amount: \$5,000.00
 Grant: #866

Exhibit C

**Louisiana Office of Tourism Competitive Grant Program
 Final Report Form FY 14**

SECTION I: Grantee's Contact Information

Name of Event: _____
 Event Date: _____
 Organization: _____
 Grant Amount: _____
 Primary Contact (POC): _____
 POC - Phone Number: _____
 POC - Email: _____

SECTION II: Reimbursable Media; Qualifying Marketing Expenses

Reimbursable Items –All qualifying marketing and advertising must be directed towards areas outside a 50-mile radius of the Event. Qualifying marketing expenses include the actual placement costs of media, but will not be applied to ad creative or media production expenses.

**If awarded a grant, 50% (or 66% for first-time events) of the grand total spent on qualifying marketing expenses will be reimbursed up to the total amount of the award.

**List only qualifying marketing expenses eligible for reimbursement through the LOT Marketing Grant Program.

Print Placement (Magazine, Newspaper)

Publication Name	Market(s)	Ad Size	Issue Date	Circulation No.	Actual Cost	Match Amount
Totals:					\$	\$

Broadcast Placement (Radio/Television)

Station Call Letters	Designated Market Area (DMA)	Spot length/ Frequency	Broadcast Dates	Actual Cost	Match Amount
Totals:				\$	\$

Outdoor Placement (Billboards)

Location	City, State	Size	Dates	Actual Cost	Match Amount
Totals:				\$	\$

Interactive Advertising / Web Banners

Website Name and Address Ex: the Advocate / www.theadvocate.com	Target Audience / Reach	Dates	Actual Cost	Match Amount
Totals:			\$	\$

Marketing Promotional Video - Only \$2,500 of grant award can be used towards a single marketing promotional video

Company Producing Video	Target Audience	Dates video	Actual Cost	Match

		will air		Amount
		Totals:	\$	\$

Grantees grand total spent on qualifying marketing expenses	\$
Requested amount to be reimbursed (50%) of qualifying marketing expenses, not to exceed grant award or 66% for first-time events	\$
<i>(LOT Staff Only)</i> LOT Approved Reimbursement Amount	\$

Section III: Documentation to Support the Reimbursement Requests (Proof of Media Purchases)

Note: All media must adhere to the logo/mention guidelines listed in the Grant Application and Agreement.

- **Proof of Charge from Vendor:** Submit itemized media invoice reflecting date, description and dollar amount. If media is purchased from a third party (e.g. media buying house or advertising agency), Grantee must provide an invoice from the third party agent **and** an invoice from the media outlet from which the media was purchased.
- **Proof of implementation:** Submit proof that activity was performed. Documentation can include any of the following:
 - Original ad placement tear sheets for print advertisements
 - Broadcast log reports indicating actual broadcast times and dates
 - Screenshots for online banner advertisements
 - Billboard photographs showing content
 - Other - (LOT Contract Monitor will determine if the proof is acceptable.)

Section IV: Final Report Summary:

- Prepare and submit a one to two (1-2) page typed summary of the outcome of the Event, taking into consideration the goals, objectives, measures of performance, and the impact that the Event had on tourism in the area and the state, which should include:
 - 1) **Objectives Achieved** – Based on the Program objectives listed on page 1 of this Agreement, list accomplishments that show achievement of the overall goal of impacting tourism.
 - 2) **Measurements of Performance** – Provide measurable data or figures that indicate performance outcome, which may include but are not limited to the following: estimated attendance, admissions revenue, vendor registrations, public entry fees collected, etc.
 - 3) **Economic Impact** - Provide available economic impact information (number of hotel room nights generated, occupancy rates/ADR, food, beverage, and other tax revenue generated, and visitor spending, etc.) for the local community, region, and state.
 - 4) **Media Relations** – Provide supporting documentation for media relations that may include but are not limited to the following: copies of news releases, newspaper clippings, articles from various media publications, flyers, itineraries, photographs and programs.
 - 5) **Profitability of the Event** – Provide the total estimated cost of producing the Event this year, and the total estimated income generated from sales, vendor registrations, and entry fees, if applicable.

The final report summary should include all five (5) headings mentioned above.