

TOWN OF EAST BRIDGEWATER ARPA PROJECT REQUEST FORM

Due: September 12, 2022

PART I: APPLICANT INFORMATION		APPLICATION CHECKLIST
Name/Business/Committee/Board/Department/Organization:	Friends of East Bridgewater Trails	1. Complete application with original signature ☐
Address:	East Bridgewater, MA	2. Detailed Project Budget (part of application) ☐
Mailing Address (if different):	215 Plymouth St., East Bridgewater, MA 02333	3. Detailed Project Schedule (part of application) ☐
501(c)3 Number (if applicable):	n/a	4. Job Descriptions (if pay requested) ☐
Web Address (if applicable)	https://www.facebook.com/Friendsofeastbridgewatertrails	5. List Board of Directors (if business/non-profit) ☐
Telephone:	508-208-0451	6. Financial Statement (if business/non-profit) ☐
Name of Authorized Representative:	Diane Phillips	7. Balance Sheet & Profit/Loss Statement (if business/non-profit) ☐
Email Address:	febtrails@gmail.com	
Name of Proposed Project:	Sachem Rock and Bennett Lane Site and Safety Improvement Plan	
Total Funding Request:	\$75,000.00	
Total Matching Funds:	\$ n/a	
Category of Request (# only):	1 (1) Support public health (2) Address negative economic impacts caused by public health emergency (3) Provide premium pay for essential workers (4) Invest in water, sewer, broadband infrastructure (5) Lost Revenue (6) All other projects	

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PART II: PROJECT INFORMATION

NAME OF APPLICANT:	Friends of East Bridgewater Trails
(1) Name of the proposed project:	Sachem Rock and Bennett Lane Site and Safety Improvement Plan
(2) Please identify the problem that your proposed project is trying to solve.	As the community recovers from the effects of the pandemic, healthy outdoor recreational spaces are more important than ever to a community's physical and mental health. The Sachem Rock and Bennett Lane hiking trails, which are town-owned, have fallen into disrepair due to erosion, usage, and age. Both trails need basic safety improvements, such as 4 new wooden footbridges, 4 benches, railings, surface improvements, benches, wood chips and erosion control. Many areas of the trail are wet and full of roots. Over time, the trails have developed wet patches and vegetation loss, creating exposed roots, ruts, and rocks, making the trails unpleasant and potentially dangerous. Trail erosion impacts a user's safety. We propose that improved trail maintenance and safety will allow residents of East Bridgewater to access the trails in a safer and more enjoyable fashion.
(3) How will your proposed project solve the identified problem?	These funds will be used to improve the safety and improvement of the local trails.
(4) Please describe what, if any, community needs will be addressed by this project.	As East Bridgewater community emerges from the pandemic, residents are looking for places to walk, ride, and enjoy nature. Safer hiking trails will encourage townspeople of all ages to get outside and get fresh air and exercise.
(5) Please explain how project performance will be measured. How will it be determined that the project was successful in solving the problem?	These will be physical improvements that will be noticed and seen by the local hikers and walkers. If townspeople are able to successfully and safely hike the town trails, then we'll know this project was successful.
(6) Who will benefit from this project?	Every resident of East Bridgewater and other towns will benefit from this. This will include: families, senior citizens, dog owners, athletes, schoolchildren, and anyone else who wishes to take a walk outside.
(7) What is the estimated number of people in the community who will be served by this project?	Unlimited.
(8) How will the outcome or impact of the project improve the quality of life for recipients?	Physical and mental health and community engagement.

(9) Identify the inputs (e.g.: staffing, equipment, supplies, and other resources) that will be needed for the proposed activity.	Friends of East Bridgewater Trails will act as the liaison to procure and evaluate bids from local contractors to perform these trail updates.
(10) Is this project already underway or ongoing? If so, please describe.	No, it is not.
(11) If ARPA funding is not approved for this project, how will you fund this project?	We are unable to fund this project on our own, unless other revenue avenues opened up.

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PART III: FINANCE INFORMATION

(1) Project Title: Sachem Rock and Bennett Lane Site and Safety Improvement Plan; Name of Applicant: Friends of East Bridgewater Trails

(2) For which calendar year(s) are you request project funding? 2023-2024

(3) ARPA Eligible Expense by Category (check all that apply) (4) Basis of Cost Estimate (check one)

☒ (a) Support Public Health Measures _____ Cost of comparable facility or equipment

_____ (b) Address Negative Economic Impacts by public ☒ Rule of thumb indicator or unit cost

_____ (c) Provide Premium Pay for essential workers _____ Cost estimate from engineer, architect, or vendor

_____ (d) Invest in Water, Sewer, or Broadband infrastructure _____ Cost from bid (please attach copy)

_____ (e) Lost Revenue _____ Preliminary cost estimate

_____ (f) All other projects

(5) List all expenses and the amounts for each

Expense Amount

1	Estimate on Labor	Free
2	Materials (lumber, nails, etc.)	\$30,000.00
3	Labor	\$45,000.00
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Total project cost \$75,000.00

Amount of any matching funds

Net amount requested \$75,000.00 (Note: We'll get free bids/estimates from local contractors/landscaping companies.)

(6) Please list project milestones

Milestone

Approximate Date

1.	Start	Upon approval of grant
2.	Gather bids	Spring 2023
3.	Decide on contractor	May 2023
4.	Project gets completed	June 2024

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PART IV: CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE PAGE

(1) Project Title: Sachem Rock and Bennett Lane Site and Safety Improvement Plan

By signing below, the applicant certifies under penalties of perjury that this proposal has been made and submitted in good faith and without collusion or fraud with any other person. As used in the certification, the word "person" shall mean any natural person, business, partnership, corporation union, committee, club, or other organization, entity, or group of individuals.

By signing below, the applicant certifies under the penalties of perjury that to the best of their knowledge and belief, the applicant has complied with all laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts relating to taxes, and reporting of employees and contractors, and withholding and remitting child support.

By signing below, the applicant certifies that it is not in default under the terms and conditions of any grant or loan agreements, leases, or financing arrangements with creditors.

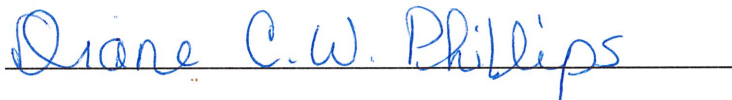
This proposal and other materials submitted may be considered public records subject to disclosure under the public records act. Please redact any personal or identifying information that may include: social security numbers, dates of birth, employee names, etc.

Submitting false or misleading information may result in rejection or ineligibility for financial assistance under this program, and the authorized representative is subject to any and all prosecution that applies.

Successful applicants will be expected to complete all reporting requirements as outlined in the contract. Failure to complete these requirements will be considered a default.

NAME OF APPLICANT/ORGANIZATION: Friends of East Bridgewater Trails

SIGNATURE:



NAME OF PERSON SUBMITTING: Diane C.W. Phillips

TITLE: Member of the Friends of East Bridgewater Trails

DATE: September 9, 2022