

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **WAHNETTA HALL TRUST FUND APPLICATIONS DUE**

The Wahnetta Hall Trust Fund was established in 1995. The Trust provisions require that the City of Merced use a specific portion of the trust for an endowment fund with income being used to establish and maintain a mini-train system and/or a band concert program in Applegate Park.

The Merced City Council annually disburses these funds to organizations that meet eligibility criteria and can perform the services as described in the Trust. This year there is \$1,240 available for distribution. Past recipients have included the Kiwanis Club of Greater Merced for the mini-train operation, as well as the Merced County Regional Arts Council, Merced Symphony Association, and Merced Community Band for band concerts at the Merced Open Air Theater in Applegate Park.

The application deadline for 2016 funding is March 17, 2016. Non-profit organizations interested in applying for funding should submit their letters of request to Mike Conway, Director, Office of Recreation, 678 W. 18<sup>th</sup> Street, Merced, CA 95340. Please call 385-6298 for additional information on eligibility criteria and application requirements.

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