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Parks and Community Services Department

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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 2017 funding is March 17, 2017. Non-profit

organizations interested in applying for funding should submit their letters of request to

Mike Conway, Director, Office of Recreation, 678 W. 18th Street, Merced, CA 95340.

Please call 385-6298 for additional information on eligibility criteria and application

requirements.

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