

## Keno Human Services Prevention Fund Advisory Committee

### APPLICATION

This year 5% of all Keno revenues collected will be allocated to a Human Service Prevention Fund. Dissemination of these dollars is up to the discretion of the Lincoln City Council and the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners. Elected officials are asking for a community group to advise them on process and criteria for distributing these funds. If you have a background in prevention, are not currently employed by a nonprofit human service agency and are interested in serving on this committee, please fill out the form below and return it by June 1, 2006 to the Human Service Office, 555 South 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln, NE 68508. If you have a resume, please attach.

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1. How do you define "prevention"?

Prevention is what happens when you analyze the root cause of a problem (i.e. homelessness in the community), discuss those causes and develop methods to address them including education, outreach, and awareness. Prevention of any issues needs to be addressed from each direction in the community and not solely focused on those experiencing the problem alone but also others who can help educate and advocate.

2. What prevention work have you been associated with in the past five years?

In the past five years I have worked with a variety of human service agencies (including Lincoln Action Program and Habitat for Humanity) as an employee and volunteer and have hands-on experience working with the many issues that our community faces and the programs that are working to eliminate those issues including hunger, healthcare for low-income families, job readiness and affordable housing.

3. What other community service areas or organizations have you been involved with?

I serve on a variety of boards including the Foundation for Lincoln City Libraries and the Southeast Community College Adult Basic Education Advisory Board and am also a Leadership Lincoln Class XX graduate.

4. Why do you want to serve on this committee?

My current professional position is no longer in the human service area and I would very much like an opportunity to once again be hands on with the prevention of issues that touch each person in our community and I think that working on this committee would allow me that opportunity.



Signature



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## **Ann Elizabeth Ames**

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### **SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS**

- Career commitment reflected in concurrent employment and college enrollment.
- Extremely outgoing with demonstrated abilities in customer relations.
- Very detail oriented, highly organized.
- Demonstrated ability to follow direction.
- Excellent teaching and role-modeling skills.
- Effective in communications with individuals of diverse age, socioeconomic and cultural backgrounds.
- Management and supervisory skills.

### **ACADEMIC PROFILE**

- University of Nebraska: Lincoln, Nebraska. August 1996-December 1999.
- Concordia University: Seward, Nebraska. Presently completing degree in Organizational Management.

### **EXPERIENCE PROFILE**

#### **Development Associate**

*National Audubon Society, Audubon Nebraska, February 2006 – Present, Lincoln, NE.*

- Develop and facilitate annual development plan for the organization.
- Create and maintain relationships with foundation, corporate sponsors and individual donors.
- Develop and write proposals for grant funds.
- Creation of marketing and public relations materials and campaigns.
- Develop donor campaigns, including direct mail and special events.
- Plan and facilitate all details of special events and meetings.

#### **Development Director**

*Lincoln/Lancaster County Habitat for Humanity, June 2005 – February 2006, Lincoln, NE.*

- Oversight of all development and fundraising activities.
- Develop and facilitate annual development plan for the organization.
- Create and maintain relationships with foundation, corporate sponsors and individual donors.
- Develop and write proposals for grant funds.
- Creation of marketing and public relations materials and campaigns.
- Develop donor campaigns, including direct mail and special events.
- Plan and facilitate all details of special events and meetings.
- Involvement in affordable housing legislation.

Development Specialist

*Lincoln Action Program, February 2004 – June 2005, Lincoln, NE.*

- Develop and write proposals for grant funds for Lincoln Action Program.
- Created and facilitated overall Development Plan; including develop donor campaigns, direct mail appeals and special events.
- Begin creating and maintaining relationships with foundations, corporate sponsors and individual donors.
- Work collaboratively on marketing and public relations materials and campaigns.

Conference Coordinator

*Nebraska Library Association/Nebraska Media Educators Association, December 2004-Present, Lincoln, NE.*

- Coordinate registration for annual conference including developing, mailing, receiving and tracking registration forms.
- Prepare registration materials and coordinate registration throughout conference.
- Market conference to attendees, vendors, donors and partners.
- Recruit and coordinate vendors and exhibitors for conference.
- Collaborate with hotel and various committees to plan events and space for vendors.

Independent Grant Consultant

*January 2003 - Present, Lincoln, NE.*

- Develop and write proposals for grant funds for various programs and agencies.
- Provide consultation and creation of Development Plan, including individual, corporate and planned giving methods.
- Provide start-up consultation for local childcare centers.
- Seek funding for childcare programs
- Development of theme-based, age-appropriate curriculum for childcare centers.

Grant Writing Specialist

*The Bethphage Foundation, April 2002 - November 2002, Omaha, NE.*

- Develop and write proposals for grant funds for various programs and projects.
- Consult and assist Community Development Managers (in the field) on proposals they are writing.
- Research foundations and funding opportunities.
- Work as part of Bethphage Foundation Team to develop goals and fundraising plans.
- Develop relationships and interactions with community agencies and leaders.
- Develop program materials as needed for grant proposals.

**VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

- Nebraska SIDS Foundation, Fundraising & Marketing Committee Member.
- Nebraska Childcare Center Directors Association Member.
- Accepted to be a NAEYC Validator.
- Member of OAEYC & NAEYC.
- Board Member, Lincoln City Library Foundation.
- Leadership Lincoln Class XX Graduate.
- Southeast Community College Adult Basic Education Advisory Board Member.
- State of Nebraska Board of Health Technical Review Committee Member.
- Order of Eastern Star, Job's Daughters, PEO, community service projects.
- Various Church related committees; Vacation Bible School Chairperson.
- Various Committee positions held through academic and professional organizations.

**COMPUTER EXPERIENCE**

- All Windows Programs including Office, Excel, Access, PowerPoint, and Publisher. Proficient using Theracscribe, ProCare, Maggey and other childcare software. Trained on ADP Payroll software, QuickBooks, Raiser's Edge, Gift Maker Pro and Internet.

*References Furnished Upon Request*