## **SPECIAL EVENTS GRANT SCORE SHEET**

THRESH	HOLD REQUIREMENTS REVIEW
QUESTION TO APPLICANT	TDC EVALUATION
MAIN PURPOSE & ATTRACTION OF TOURISTS  1) Describe who will attend this event and why, including demographics and where they will come from. Provide total number of expected attendees and percentage that will attend from outside a 150-mile radius of Duval County.  2) Describe how this event will be promoted to potential attendees and what percentage of the marketing budget is dedicated to outside the region.	1) Is one of the main purposes of the special event the attraction of tourists from outside the 150-mile radius (recommend a minimum of 35% of the attendees are tourists)?*  Yes  No  *IF THE ANSWER IS NO, THE APPLICATION IS INELIGIBLE. DO NOT PROCEED FURTHER IN EVALUATING THIS APPLICATION**  2) Does the plan for promotion of this special event to tourists outside the 150-mile radius of the County boundaries prove that one of the main purposes of the special event is attraction of tourists?*  Yes  No  *IF THE ANSWER IS NO, THE APPLICATION IS INELIGIBLE. DO NOT PROCEED FURTHER IN EVALUATING THIS APPLICATION
TOURIST ATTENDANCE AND PROOF	1) Did the Applicant select a criteria and does the guaranteed number of room

	REQUIREMENT		nights or tourists meet the threshold criteria?*
			Yes
1)	Provide the number of tourists outside		No
	the 150-mile radius of Duval County the	2)	Does the applicant utilize specific and focused evaluation tools to evaluate
	applicant is guaranteeing will attend the		how many tourists will attend and how many room nights will be generated?
	special event. Describe data collection and		Yes
	verification process.		No
		3)	Does the applicant intend to provide a valid count of attendance of tourists
2)	Provide the number of room nights the		and/or room nights generated?
	applicant is guaranteeing will attend the		Yes
	special event. Describe data collection and		No
	verification process.	4)	Does the applicant identify how the data will be collected and by whom?
			Yes
			No
		5)	Does the Applicant have a back-up assessment plan?
			Yes
			No
		6)	Does the suggested documentation, or other evidence offered to be
			provided, give the TDC adequate and reasonably reliable assurance that the
			criterion has been and will be met?
			Yes
			No
		*IF	THE ANSWER IS NO TO ANY OF THE QUESTIONS #1-6, THE APPLICATION IS
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TOTAL TOURISM IMPACT  Does the special event/project drive tourism development, benefit economic prosperity and opportunity for the City? (if no, 0 points)	The projected Return on Investment for the special event to the TDC: Is the grant amount equal to or less than \$5 per guaranteed tourist or room night (amount of requested grant divided by the guaranteed tourists and/or room nights generated). Generally, \$5 per room night or number of tourists is considered an adequate ROI absent other unique event value to venues or the community.  The anticipated number of attendees outside of 150-mile radius to expected to attend the special event. The magnitude of the special event and/or the location from which the tourists are coming provide additional or unique tourism benefits (NFL location, direct flight to JAX airport opportunity, major corporate partner, etc.).  Has the Applicant proven calendar maximization in choosing the date of the special event? The special event is scheduled during a slow tourism period.  Is there any other special economic benefits to the County from the special event?	25	

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BRAND	The special event creates a leadership position for the Jacksonville brand. The special event is a	15	
OPPORTUNITY	premier event that sets Jacksonville apart from other destinations.		
Will the special			
event/project	The applicant will utilize other local entities with complementary brands that will strengthen the		
successfully articulate,	County's leadership position through collaboration or partnership. The applicant has, or intends		
competitively position,	to, collaborate with other complementary brands in the County such as restaurants, attractions, not-		
and positively	for-profits, etc. to strengthen the event image and brand in a way that further encourages tourism to		
promote Jacksonville's	the County.		
brand?			
(if no, 0 points)	The special event is in alignment with the updated Jacksonville values and vision of		
	Jacksonville. There is significant brand alignment with the County's Water Life brand or one of our		
	focus areas: Water & Outdoors; Sports; Arts; and/or Culture and History.		
	The quality or quantity of national or international television broadcast or other means of		
	exposure. The applicant intends to advertise or promote the Jacksonville brand through several		
	means of exposure and utilizes more than just the Visit Jacksonville logo.		
	The integration of the Jacksonville brand and destination marketing logos and imagery in all		
	the marketing and communication/or media coverage. Jacksonville will be marketed as a		
	destination during the event and in advertisement and promotions for the event in numerous		
	marketing efforts and to target audiences outside of the 150-mile radius. There is significant value of		
	such promotion. The Jacksonville logo is used in various event marketing approaches.		

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MARKETING PLAN  Does the special  event/project meet  and demonstrate the	The applicant identifies the types of marketing approaches being used and the target markets.  The applicant clearly and adequately identifies the types of marketing approaches being used and the target markets, i.e. traditional advertising, electronic and social media, public relations and earned media, collaborative, partnership and influence marketing and location(s) of marketing.	10	
necessary marketing plan requirements?  (if no, 0 points)	Visit Jacksonville has reviewed the plan and confirmed that it is effectively designed to attract the projected tourists to the special event.		
	The plan is innovative or unique.		

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STEWARDSHIP  Does the special  event/project have  leverage opportunities  for the City?  (if no, 0 points)	The special event will use County-owned, or publicly supported public venues, parks, attractions, museums in a way that benefits the County.  The special event will use local attractions or area assets, other than County-owned or publicly supported venues, parks or other facilities.  The venue is one in which tourists would be inclined to visit at a time other than at the special event.  The applicant has identified potential business opportunities for area assets in collaboration or conjunction with the special event.  It is important for the applicant to receive the funding to secure the special event. If the funding is not provided, the special event will be held somewhere else or it will be cancelled.  There is competition for the special event such that it may be hosted at a private venue or similar public venue outside of the County. The special event could be hosted at a private venue or similar public venue outside of the County.  The applicant will utilize local talent, suppliers, service providers or and subcontractor in the special event.	5	

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QUALITY OF LIFE IMPACT  Does the special event/project enhance the quality of life for the community?  (if no, 0 points deducted)	The applicant is utilizing underused venues (hidden gems).  The applicant is engaging the community through civic, social and/or legacy impact plan(s) that give back to the community. Examples include providing free music, theatre, artistic or community outreach clinics; creating a recycling initiative; services to enhance a community center or park; and donating event tickets to a not-for-profit or community group.	5	
	SUBTOTAL	60	
MULTIPLE YEARS FUNDING (minus factor)  Did the entity receive consecutive TDC funding last year and in prior years?  (if no, 0 points deducted)	5 points shall be deducted from the total score for each consecutive year after the first year that the entity requests funding from the TDC  • 1st year minus 0 points  • 2nd year minus 5 points  • 3rd year minus 10 points  • 4th year minus 15 points  • 5th year minus 20 points  (any deduction greater than 20 points results in an automatic disqualification)	-20	
	TOTAL	60	