



Bixby High School
Bixby Robotics
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To whom it may concern,

We are a high school robotics team located in Bixby, OK. We have competed in the FIRST Robotics Competitions (FRC) since 2008 under the name Bixby Robot Mafia. Our team is an after school student activity that is open to all students regardless of academic ability. The only requirement is that you be interested in learning STEM activities.

Our proposed budget for the last three seasons has been as follows:

2 Regional Competition fees:	\$10,000.00
World Championship competition fee:	\$ 5,000.00
Hotel for all three competitions:	\$15,000.00
Food for all three competitions:	\$ 1,500.00
Parking:	\$ 600.00
Gas	\$ 500.00
Robot Parts	\$ 4,000.00
New computers	\$16,500.00
Promotional materials	\$ 5,000.00
New tools and equipment:	\$11,350.00
Total	\$69,450.00

However, due to the loss of our corporate sponsor and the dwindling of available grant money we are working with considerably less. Here are the figures for our last three seasons (*Total Revenue includes money rolled over from the previous season. Most of this money is a grant from AEP/PSO that arrives the spring before the competition season for which it is awarded*):

	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019 (current)
Roll over	\$ 2,589.89	\$ 3,352.43	\$ 2,993.18	\$ 2,577.06
AEP/PSO Grant	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,350.00	\$ TBD
Total Revenue	\$14,754.19	\$11,449.29	\$11,854.63	\$ 8,599.56
Total Expenses	\$11,401.76	\$ 8,456.11	\$ 9,277.57	\$ 8,515.47

The student members of the Bixby Robot Mafia are currently working hard on designing, building, adjusting and modifying their robot, so the 2018-2019 numbers are expected to change.

Our student team members usually raises about \$600 each season through direct sales and soliciting donations. The rest of the revenue is gained through the few grants our team qualifies for. Since we currently are an after school activity the grants we qualify for are limited and the money offered through those is becoming less and less each year.

The last three seasons we have only had the money to attend one regional competition in Oklahoma City and the students have had to pay for their hotel and meal costs. Attending only one regional puts us at a competitive disadvantage, but gives our students a great STEM experience.

Our team decided not to charge dues as we do not want a financial hardship to ever prevent a student from being a part of our team and gaining access to STEM knowledge. For many of our students in this rural community, the dues would be prohibitive to their participation.

We acknowledge our sponsors with a logo on our website, our t-shirt and on the robot at competition. Sponsors are also announced as our team is introduced before each of our matches at competition and are listed as part of our team in the competition program.

Any support you can give would be much appreciated. All donations are tax deductible.

Sincerely,

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