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Dear Promoter of Basque History & Culture,

Organized by Pete and Freda Cenarrusa in 2003, the Cenarrusa Foundation for Basque Culture promotes the culture and history of the Basque by providing resources for performances, presentations, programs, and projects to organizations throughout Idaho and Oregon. The foundation is the entity that can provide the added degree of assistance – financial or professional – that can make the critical difference for any organization that seeks to promote Basque culture.

The uniqueness of the language, history, and politics of the Basque people throughout the world is of interest to the Foundation. We celebrate what makes Basques unique within the common human cultural experience. The Foundation endorses and supports programs that involve critical thinking – which promotes understanding and tolerance.

The Cenarrusa Foundation for Basque Culture will be accepting grants for the 2015 cycle until March 31, 2015. Any organization interested in applying for funds should see the website www.cenarrusa.org and look in the section entitled, "Community Grants".

Please complete the application form and submit it to:

Cenarrusa Foundation for Basque Culture 611 Grove Street Boise, Idaho 83702

Below are examples of some of the past projects that the Cenarrusa Foundation was able to assist with funding for the following organizations:

Basque Museum & Cultural Center – exhibits in the museum & traveling exhibits

Boitzetik Basque Choir – creating new song templates

Boise Fronton Association - fronton renovations

Boiseko Ikastola - tuition assistance for children attending the school

Eusko Kirolak - youth clinics and equipment

Euzkaldunak (The Basque Foundation) - cable/equipment for telecasting events/sports

Gooding Basque Association – costumes for youth dance group & tables and chairs for clubhouse

Jordan Valley ION Heritage Museum – security supplies & exhibit cases

Oinkari Basque Dancers – new costumes and dance workshops

Boise Onati Dancers - new costumes

Txoko Ona Basque Club - flagpole & AV storage in their clubhouse

Ontario Basque Club – education materials for Euskara class and resource library



Since 2004, the Cenarrusa Foundation for Basque Culture has distributed over \$67,500 to organizations in support of Basque history and culture.

The Cenarrusa Foundation has also sponsored genealogy research workshops and a seminar on Basque and Idaho politics. The Foundation will continue to sponsor these activities in the future.

The Cenarrusa Foundation for Basque Culture lost its primary source of income, the Basque license plate, in 2011. The Foundation is an Idaho non-profit corporation that maintains a Federal Tax Code section 501(c)(3) exemption and is able to receive contributions that are tax-deductible under both federal and Idaho state law. The Foundation's programs have been funded in the past by contributions from Pete and Freda Cenarrusa as well as other donors, and with proceeds from the Cenarrusa Lamb Barbecue.

Each grant application will be reviewed individually. Although there is a maximum grant award amount of \$2,000, the Cenarrusa Foundation is not obligated to fund any specific amounts and may decide not to fund a project if they do not feel that it should receive grant funds or if the Foundation is unable to support the program or project at this time.

Organizations must submit a final report by December 31, 2015. All activities must be completed, funds expended, and report submitted to the Cenarrusa Foundation for Basque Culture to be able to apply for grant funds in subsequent years.

We look forward to learning of all of the wonderful projects you are planning to try to promote Basque history and culture within your organization and are pleased that we have helped you to realize some of your past goals and dreams.

Sincerely

Roy Eiguren President

Cenarrusa Foundation for Basque Culture