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Alabama Tourism Department 401 Adams Avenue, Suite 126 Montgomery, AL 36104

Dear Tourism Event Grant Staff,

I would like to request a 2025 Tourism Grant for annual Drive Through Christmas Lights Display at Bicentennial Park .

This event is a first rate example of how an organization can build a successful fundraising effort that supports their official goals and brings the community together in celebration at the holiday season.

Each year the light display at Bicentennial Park grows larger and more magnificent. It draws families, couples, groups and everyone between. Just as important it draws these visitors to a significant historical site in Baldwin County that they might otherwise overlook. The attention that this event gives this significant piece of property is unmatched and I have no doubt this event is a significant contributor to the success of the park's other events throughout the year.

I hope that you will see fit to award the hard working and dedicated Baldwin County Archives Staff this this Tourism Event Grant. They do an amazing job helping Alabama families create memories while they work hard to preserve those memories already in our hearts.

Sincerely,

Senator Chris Elliott District 32, Alabama State Senate