

NGWB Grant Final Report (FY13-14)

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NWGGA – Wine America

Grant Amount
\$3,000

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Issue of Interest

The national organization which represents the wine industry as well as provides a forum for executive directors from associations like NWGGA is WineAmerica. Membership with this organization allows for information regarding national initiatives which could impact every grape grower and winery.

Approach to Problem

This grant allowed for the NWGGA's Wine American State Assessment Association dues as well as travel expenses for the NWGGA Executive director to attend the Executive Director Conference.

Goals/Achievement of Goals

The Executive Director Jennifer Montgomery attended the State Assessment Association meetings which allowed her insight into national issues impacting the Nebraska Wine industry. She was then able to communicate these findings back to the membership. Networking with other state associations provided solutions to local challenges as well.

Results. Conclusions. Lessons Learned

We learned that it is important to have a seat at the table when vital information is shared. These educational and networking opportunities cannot be obtained in other ways and therefore an active presence at this meeting is vital.

Progress Achieved According to Outcome Measures

Jennifer Montgomery was able to bring information back to NWGGA members as well as all growers and wineries in Nebraska regarding immigration, TTB and other vital concerns.

Financial Report

The total grant amount was \$3,000. Total expenditures in the amount of \$1,372.50 were used to for annual dues and travel expenses for the Executive Director to attend the 2014 National Wine and Grape Policy Conference in Washington, DC on May 18-21, 2014.