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Dear Council Members,

When considering cutting all the monies to Courthouse Square Association, please be aware of some general facts about our town's square:

<u>22 Non-Profits</u> in our community either call the square home or use it on a regular basis.

<u>21 Major Community Events</u> occur on the square per year, with an extension of the exceedingly popular concert series planned for next year and two additional new events added.

Over 10,000 people attend events on the lawn and in the building, bringing individuals to our downtown and community.

The \$8,000 current support the city gives to the square is 10% of our total budget, while it is 1/10<sup>th</sup> of 1% of the city's budget.

For those dollars, CSA, mows, snow plows and maintains restrooms for virtually every event on the square.

CSA understands the difficulties of living on a tight budget, but we implore you to support what we believe to be a good value. It has been our dream to share the square with the community as we do today and believe the city council will support us all through this partnership.

Sincerely, Julie Kimmer

Courthouse Square Manager