I. A. Please use the space below to provide a <u>concise</u> description of the Project (e.g., construction/renovation activities; equipment/land acquisition; development/delivery of programs and services [including administrative activities]; or other activities) <u>which will be funded by the grant.</u> This information will be included in the grant agreement as the Scope of Work.

SCOPE OF WORK

The Agribusiness Center project will provide a means through which agribusiness information can be conveyed to individuals, while at the same time emphasizing Decatur's role as the world center for agribusiness activities.

The project includes a hydroponics display to be housed at the Decatur Public Library. It will offer individuals the opportunity to learn about this aspect of the agribusiness industry, and the role Decatur plays in feeding the world.

The project also includes the development of a visual center in the Decatur Public Library for the display of videos highlighting the current state of agribusiness and would be viewed as a further part of the effort to promote knowledge on a local level to audiences from school children to adults of the role that agribusiness plays in the life of their community and how important agribusiness is to the economy of the Decatur area.

Videos and supporting printed materials for visitors will focus on areas of agriculture that are core businesses to Decatur. These core businesses include grain production, grain transportation, grain processing, food ingredient manufacturing, nutraceuticals manufacturing, feed and industrial ingredient manufacturing and ethanol production.

Videos will be requested from major agribusiness manufacturers for use in the center. Some printed materials will be produced, both for promotional uses, as well as to support information garnered from the display and video presentations.

Administrative duties will be divided between the Chamber of Commerce and the Decatur Public Library, and include supervising production of the display, developing promotional and educational materials, securing videos for presentations, booking groups to use the facility, and maintenance of the center, materials and display.

The entire project will help in efforts to educate individuals from school children to adults about what agribusiness is, its impact on our local economy, our community's role in feeding the world, and potential careers in the field of agribusiness. It is expected to generate tourism through school and adult bus trips, and will serve to educate visitors to our city about Decatur, America's Agribusiness Center.