

SUMMARY REVIEWER COMMENTS

2013 RSVP Competition

Legal Applicant: The Independent Living Center, Inc.

Applicant ID: 13SR142857

Project Name: RSVP of Southwest Missouri

For the purpose of enhancing our programs by improving the quality and quantity of applications to the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), we are providing specific feedback regarding the strengths and weaknesses of this application. These comments are not meant to represent a comprehensive assessment; rather the analysis represents those elements that had the greatest bearing on the rating of the application. Please note that this feedback consists of summary comments from only the external reviewer on the blended panel. Comments are not representative of all of the information used in the final funding decision.

External Reviewer's Summary Comments:

Strengths:

The proposal includes a strong recruitment plan utilizing various outlets to attract volunteers.

The ability to engage volunteers with disabilities & the elderly is evidenced in the proposal and well described.

The proposed collaboration with Boys & Girls Club reflects strong extended partnerships.

The Quarterly Needs Survey provides connection between RSVP services and Focus Areas.

The connection through Avalon Hospice demonstrates link between RSVP service and veterans.

The proposal includes strong evidence of sustainability as evidenced by the number of staff not funded by the RSVP grant.

The Proposal provides a very thorough description of the organizational capacity by including policies, personnel and fiscal management plans.

Additional ability to operate RSVP program is evidenced in proposal via the staffs experience operating programs in the Focus Area.

Weaknesses:

The proposal does not fully describe how services lead to Performance Measure outcomes.