

SUMMARY REVIEWER COMMENTS

2013 RSVP Competition

Legal Applicant: Big Brothers Big Sisters of Middle TN

Applicant ID: 13SR142875

Project Name: Big Brother Big Sister (BBBS) of Middle TN RSVP

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 community need is well documented with the data sources clearly cited and the program design and service activities clearly defined.

Volunteer training is comprehensive with clear expectations and written policies and procedures.

The veteran population is valued as mentors and is a prime focus group for recruitment.

Fiscal oversight is clearly documented with descriptions of staff responsibilities, software programs and annual external audits.

Weaknesses:

There is no community needs addressed outside of the Primary Focus Area.

While there are clear, well defined job descriptions for staff positions, there is no mention of how the positions will be sustained.