

SUMMARY REVIEWER COMMENTS

2013 RSVP Competition

Legal Applicant: West Texas Rehabilitation Center

Applicant ID: 13SR142969

Project Name: Big Country 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 applicant's volunteers go beyond what is expected when they deliver meals. They also provide daily check in and are prepared to address emergency needs of those who are served.

The agency utilizes a variety of methods to recruit volunteers, including the use of the media and the Internet.

The applicant's veterans are actively recruited from several sources, including Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) and Disabled American Veterans.

The applicant has a diverse recruitment plan to include a variety of ethnic groups, veterans, military families, and individuals with disabilities.

There are 23% unduplicated volunteers in the work plans.

There is an RSVP Advisory Council in place and the participants are encouraged to be actively involved with recruitment and program evaluation.

Weaknesses: