

SUMMARY REVIEWER COMMENTS

2013 RSVP Competition

Legal Applicant: Dyer County Legislative Body

Applicant ID: 13SR143009

Project Name: Dyer County 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 application proposes 41% Unduplicated Volunteers in Work Plans that result in Outcomes. This is well in excess of the required 10%.

The application states that the RSVP Program has a designated line item in the budget of the local county government.

Weaknesses:

The activities regarding Performance Measure: 4.1 Companionship – Department of Veterans Affairs is conducted in Gibson County which is outside of the geographic service area of Dyer County.

The application's narrative does not reference or address the Work Plan's Performance Measure: 5.1 Tutoring – Public Schools.

The application does not clearly describe or provide evidence for a proposed plan or the infrastructure to ensure that volunteer stations and assignments comply with RSVP program regulations. Instead, the narrative restates the criteria/requirement.

The application does not address how the proposed graduation of stations will not lead to any disruption of volunteers.

The application provides an incomplete description of all paid staff positions.