

SUMMARY REVIEWER COMMENTS

2013 RSVP Competition

Legal Applicant: Hawaii County Office of Aging

Applicant ID: 13SR143697

Project Name: RSVP of Hawaii County

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's Performance Measures are clear about the community's needs to be addressed.

52% of the unduplicated volunteers are included in outcomes work plans. This is well above the required 10%.

The County of Hawaii's Finance and Parks & Recreation Departments have provided support and resources to the program over the years assuring the program's compliance and oversight meet requirements.

Reviewing annual goals at the monthly Advisory Council meeting is a positive way to make sure required goals and objectives are met.

Weaknesses:

There were no service activities or plans relating to veterans and/or their families presented.

The recruitment proposal is lacking a clear plan for how to recruit from and specific key population.

The application lacks defined paid staff positions, including how these positions will be sustained and identification of current staff assigned to the project.

The budget for volunteer recognition appeared to be excessive without detailing or explaining the high budget expense.