

SUMMARY REVIEWER COMMENTS

2013 RSVP Competition

Legal Applicant: Mobile County Commission

Applicant ID: 13SR143780

Project Name: RSVP of Mobile 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 applicant's budget includes a large grantee match.

The applicant's proposal reflects long history managing RSVP, Senior Corps Program, and Foster Grandparents Program (40+ years).

Weaknesses:

The budget does not appear appropriate to address recruitment, mileage, background checks (as \$0 is allocated in budget).

Although volunteer stations are mentioned, the proposal lacks a concise plan for managing stations.

Proposal narrative indicates weakness securing non-CNCS funds, however budget reflects substantial grantee contribution.

The proposal highlights significant funding cuts which illustrates uncertainty with future funding.