

SUMMARY REVIEWER COMMENTS

2013 RSVP Competition

Legal Applicant: Blackstone Valley Community Action Program

Applicant ID: 13SR144097

Project Name: Blackstone Valley Community Action Program

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 has adequate infrastructure to provide the services based on the proposed budget.

The applicant's budget contains funds that are sufficient to support volunteer recruitment and volunteer recognition for continued service.

The applicant provided information that described how to manage the stations and volunteers.

The applicant states performance measures clearly and connects them to the Primary Focus Areas.

The applicant provides an adequate description of their resources, both financial and in-kind.

The applicant gives detailed job descriptions pertaining to all key personnel.

Weaknesses:

The applicant's information supplied, the applicant does not meet the matched funds requirement.

The applicant did not identify performance measures within the application.

The applicant identifies education as being outside their Primary Focus Area, but does not mention it in the work plan.

The applicant does not give information regarding their track record in the management of volunteers in the Primary Focus Area.