

# SUMMARY REVIEWER COMMENTS

## 2013 RSVP Competition

**Legal Applicant:** Tri-County Community Action Program, Inc.

**Applicant ID:** 13SR144133

**Project Name:** Coos 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 applicant's work plans adequately respond to Performance Measure requirements.

The applicant proposes to engage a minimum of 40% of unduplicated volunteers in National Performance Measure outcome work plans; another 60% in other services.

#### Weaknesses:

The applicant proposes to host meetings with volunteer stations to discuss new grant initiatives and how volunteers will be impacted but has no plan or infrastructure to retain and recognize volunteers; proposed budget allocates no line item funds for volunteer recognition activities.

The applicant did not emphasize the credentials, roles of staff, capacity to manage project.

The applicant does not make clear—the role of the Advisory Council—during this grant period.

The applicant lacks the presence of a solid volunteer recognition plan; no diverse volunteers noted.

The applicant has 30% of grantee share versus as compared to a proposed 70% federal share—budget is “top heavy” administratively.