

SUMMARY REVIEWER COMMENTS

2013 RSVP Competition

Legal Applicant: Northwest Community Action Partnership

Applicant ID: 13SR144220

Project Name: Dawes & Sioux 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:

67% of the unduplicated volunteers are included in outcomes work plans. This is well above the required 10%.

Weaknesses:

The service activities in the Primary Focus Area, Healthy Futures, relating to the outputs or outcomes are not clearly defined nor explained in the performance measures plans.

Plans and infrastructure to develop and/or oversee volunteer stations that address specified unmet community needs outside the Primary Focus Area were not clearly defined.

There are no significant service activities relating to veterans and/or military families in any area.

The application does not present clear plans for how they will recruit volunteers.

Aside from McGraw Hill, sustainability of the applicant's proposed required non-federal financial share is unclear.

The plan does not provide applicable costs and reimbursable expenses to volunteers for transportation.

The non-federal funds budget is below 30%.