

# SUMMARY REVIEWER COMMENTS

## 2013 RSVP Competition

**Legal Applicant:** City of Lawton

**Applicant ID:** 13SR144307

**Project Name:** LAWTON 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 will clearly sustain the non-federal match as the City of Lawton is committed to the continuation and success of RSVP.

The applicant's two primary staff members dedicated to RSVP are highly qualified and both have served in the military with a combined 50 years of active duty service.

The applicant provides nearly 75% of the total budget for the RSVP project.

The RSVP program and the City of Lawton with other community groups host an annual recognition event for all of the volunteers and representatives from the stations.

#### Weaknesses:

The applicant does not budget for background checks and provides limited funding for recognition and reimbursements.

The applicant does not clearly state how outputs and outcomes will be measured using attendance logs, activity logs and surveys.