

SUMMARY REVIEWER COMMENTS

2013 RSVP Competition

Legal Applicant: Volunteers of America of Greater New Orleans, Inc.

Applicant ID: 13SR144502

Project Name: St Tammany Parish 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 budget is clear, mathematically accurate and detail is provided for each line item.

The applicant provides clear information about how resources are monitored including the programs used for programmatic oversight. An Advisory Council provides project oversight.

The applicant identifies paid staff and their roles in project.

Weaknesses:

The community need is based on one data source which is an outdated needs assessment.

Though the applicant generally states the needs that will be addressed by volunteers, the discussion of how it will be done is not clear in this section.

The application does not provide sufficient information regarding non-federal resources.