

INDIVIDUAL REVIEWER FORM – PROGRAM DESIGN (50%)
2012 AmeriCorps State and National Grant Competition

Legal Applicant: _____ Application ID: _____

Reviewer Name: _____

Program Design

Assess the extent to which the applicant addresses each of the Program Design elements. Provide comments and select a Rating for each element. All comments should address the significant strengths and weaknesses identified in your assessment that contributed to the selected Rating.

I. Provides persuasive evidence that the identified needs exist in the targeted community(ies).

Provide supporting comments and a Rating below

Comments:

10 points

Excellent (10)

Good (8)

Fair (4)

Unacceptable (0)

II. Describes the ways in which AmeriCorps members are a highly effective means to solving the identified community need(s), including the unique value added by AmeriCorps.

Provide supporting comments and a Rating below

Comments:

30 points

Excellent (30)

Good (24)

Fair (12)

Unacceptable (0)

III. Describes how the interventions the AmeriCorps members and volunteers are engaged in are both evidence-based and will have a measurable community impact. The intervention is evidence-based if programs can demonstrate community impact and solve community problems through an evidence-based approach (e.g. performance data, research, theory of change).

Provide supporting comments and a Rating below

Comments:

30 points

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IV. Describes the program components that enable the AmeriCorps members to have powerful service experiences that produce increased community impact and lead to continued civic participation and connectivity with other AmeriCorps and national service participants.

Provide supporting comments and a Rating below

Comments:

20 points

_ Excellent (20)

_ Good (16)

_ Fair (8)

_ Unacceptable (0)

V. Convincingly links four major elements:

1. the needs identified,
2. the intervention that will be carried out by AmeriCorps members and community volunteers,
3. the ways in which AmeriCorps members are particularly well-suited to deliver the intervention, and
4. the anticipated outcomes.

Provide supporting comments and a Rating below.

Comments:

10 points

_ Excellent (10)

_ Good (8)

_ Fair (4)

_ Unacceptable (0)

Total Score: __ (of 100)

APPLICANT FEEDBACK SUMMARY

After the panel discussion and finalizing your assessment: provide a summary of your review regarding the quality of the applicant's Program Design in response to the Selection Criteria. Your summary comments, which will be included in the Applicant Feedback Report, should be the strengths and weaknesses that had the greatest impact on the assessment, and must reflect your views as noted in your supporting comments.

Applicant Feedback Summary Comments: