AGENDA ITEM or FINAL CONTRACT REVIEW SUBMITTAL FORM

Agenda Item: Acknowledgment of County Manager's Approval; City

Action Requested: Other approve grant submission to City of Gunnison

Parties to the Agreement: City of Gunnison

Term Begins: Jan 1, 2019 **Term Ends:** 12/31/2019 **Grant Contract #:**

Summary:

Application to the City of Gunnison for staff time for Health Coalition of Gunnison Valley and Early Childhood Council

Fiscal Impact:

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Finance Review: (●) Required ( ) Not Required

Comments:
This is a new request. Not in budget preparation. ln

Reviewed by: GUNCOUNTY1\lNienhueser Discharge Date: 10/16/2018

County Attorney Review: (●) Required ( ) Not Required

Comments:
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Reveiwed by: Discharge Date: Certificate of Insurance Required Yes ( ) No (●)

County Manager Review:

Comments:

Reveiwed by: GUNCOUNTY1\mbirnie Discharge Date: 10/25/2018

(●) Consent Agenda ( ) Regular Agenda ( ) Worksession Time Allotted: 0

Agenda Date: 11/6/2018

Revised April 2015

- Please provide a detailed synopsis of the program. The synopsis of the program must include your assessment of progress toward the objectives included in the grant agreement.

  The Community Health Coalition of the Gunnison Valley and the Gunnison Hinsdale Early Childhood Council propose to provide services addressing: 1) increased access to affordable quality care and education, 2) increased awareness around the issues facing early childhood care and education programs in Gunnison, and 3) increased collaboration among organizations that are part of the Health Coalition of the Gunnison Valley (HCGV) in Gunnison County.

  Staff will increase access to affordable, quality care by offering pre-licensing and early childhood trainings to Family, Friend and Neighbor child care providers in the area as well as other individuals interested in becoming licensed caregivers. The number of trainings provided throughout the year as well as the number of participants will be measured. The ultimate outcome measurement will be the number of licensed childcare providers and the number of licensed childcare slots.

  Staff will increase awareness around the issues facing early childhood care and education programs in Gunnison by conducting presentations throughout the year to raise the community's awareness around this important issue. The number of presentations, participants, and new partnerships will be measured.

  Staff will increase collaboration and coordination among organizations of the Health Coalition by assisting in coordinating Health Coalition meetings, including subgroup meetings. Collaboration will be measured through a brief evaluation tool at the end of meetings.

- Please upload the following:

  1. Evidence of acknowledgement of City financial support in advertising and promotional literature.

  All promotional material shall contain the following statement: "This event is made possible, in part, with the assistance of the Public Service Grant Program of the City of Gunnison." Photos or electronic copies of literature will be accepted as satisfaction of this requirement.

  2. Accounting Report.

  Please attach a copy of the actual revenues and expenditures of the event or service.

- File Upload

Proposal Information

- Program or Service*

Early Care and Education Access Project

- Amount Requested*

$ 11,500

- Description*

Provide a brief description of the program or service:

The Community Health Coalition of the Gunnison Valley (Health Coalition) and the Gunnison Hinsdale Early Childhood Council (GHECC) are teaming up to work on issues related to our vulnerable populations, including youth and other priority populations.

The Community Health Coalition of the Gunnison Valley was formed in 2016, continuing the work of the Health and Human Services Commission and the work of the One Valley Prosperity Project (OVPP) health and social services Action Strategy. This broad, community-based coalition works on three goal areas: Health and Wellness, Youth Positive Development, and Basic Needs.

The Health Coalition is steered by a Leadership Team made up of agency representatives from Health and Human Services, the Community Foundation, Juvenile Services, the Regional Housing Authority and others. Each of the three goal area is led by a subgroup of individuals and agency representatives, working collaboratively to address needs determined by the OVPP process and the subgroup.

The Gunnison Hinsdale Early Childhood Council was brought to our community in July of 2007 by Gunnison County's Department of Health and Human Services Department (DHHS) in order to improve local early childhood services and educational opportunities for children by increasing and sustaining the quality, accessibility, capacity, and affordability of services. The overall goal is for all children to be successful at school, at work, and in the community.

The GHECC and Health Coalition are requesting funding to help support our efforts to increase access to affordable quality care and education, increase awareness around the issues facing early childhood care and education programs in Gunnison, and increase collaboration among organizations that are part of the Health Coalition of the Gunnison Valley in Gunnison County.

A portion of the funding requested would be put towards hours served by an AmeriCorp volunteer working 12-16 hours per week with the Gunnison-Hinsdale Early Childhood Council and Health Coalition of the Gunnison Valley. The AmeriCorps Volunteer and GHECC staff would be responsible for assisting the GHECC and Health Coalition with the following tasks:

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- Family Friend and Neighbor (FFN) early childhood caregiver trainings and pre-licensing trainings for individuals currently providing care and those interested in becoming licensed child care providers in our area (including Spanish speaking providers)
- Community Education presentations to many organizations in Gunnison County on early childhood care and education issues facing families and providers in the area
- Social media and newspaper advertisements/messages on importance of quality early childhood care and education
- Planning of the Nurturing the Young Child Conference
- Coordinating Health Coalition meetings as needed
- other tasks aligned to the Health Coalition plan, including outreach to vulnerable populations using Health and Wellness Guide

- Funding Impact*

  Please describe the resulting impact to your program or service in the event funding is not approved or your application is only funded in part.

  Should the funding for this service not be approved the GHECC and Health Coalition would have difficulty securing an AmeriCorp volunteer dedicated to this effort. The GHECC and Health Coalition would continue the work outlined in the program description, but with a limited amount of staff hours dedicated specifically to this effort. This would slow down and limit the progress on outcomes related to early childhood access.

  In July of 2019 the Gunnison Hinsdale Early Childhood Council will be receiving less funding for staff time to address these issues, based on a new formula which reduces most rural areas state funding for early childhood councils. This grant would help us maintain the momentum of recent efforts to address our early childhood access crisis.

  The GHECC believes that it is critical to work on this initiative at an increased rate as we are seeing more and more families struggle to find quality, trusted care for their young children. Having an AmeriCorp volunteer with time specifically dedicated to this effort will play a crucial role in growing awareness and helping these families to gain access to care.

- Population Served*

  The Entire Community

- Justification*

  Why do you think the program or service should be funded by the taxpayers of the City of Gunnison?

  Gunnison thrives when our kids thrive because they are our future workforce, leaders and community members. We all have a role to play in preparing Gunnison's kids for the future, even those of us in the community who may not be directly involved in raising kids. Not only do

the kids benefit from quality early care and education, but parents, employers, and the community as a whole benefits when parents can leave their children with a trusted, reliable caregiver. Without quality early childhood care and education many employers in Gunnison would struggle to find and retain employees and many of the families would have greater difficulty raising a family.

- Special Marijuana Tax Revenue Eligibility*

  Does this program or service impact regulation of the marijuana industry or provide social, recreational, and educational programs within the community such as substance abuse prevention, education and counseling?

  ☐ Yes ☐ No

- Please list three measureable objectives and include how attainment of the goals/objectives will be measured.
- Objective #1*

  Increase access to quality early childhood care and education.

  - The AmeriCorp volunteer will be responsible for organizing Family Friend and Neighbor (non-licensed caregivers) trainings and pre-licensing trainings for individuals currently providing care in their homes and those interested in becoming licensed child care providers in our area. These trainings will include many of the pre-licensing courses necessary for an individual to become a licensed child care provider such as First Aid, CPR, Standard Precautions, and Medication Administration. Outreach to Spanish speaking providers will be a priority area.
  - The AmeriCorp volunteer will also assist the GHECC Assistant Coordinator with planning and organizing the 2019 Nurturing the Young Child Conference which provides 6 hours of continuing education as well as the opportunity for attendees to earn a CEU through Western Colorado University.

  Objective #2*

  Increase community awareness around the issues facing early childhood care and education in our area.

  - At least 4 community presentations led by GHECC staff on the Early Childhood Landscape of the Gunnison area. These presentations will occur at various standing meetings including meetings of the Gunnison RE1-J School Board, Gunnison Rotary,

League of Women Voters, Gunnison Chamber of Commerce, and other organizations that serve the Gunnison area.

- Weekly messaging around the importance of quality early childhood care and education through social media campaigns, newspaper ads, and various events that occur throughout the year.

- Objective #3*

Increase collaboration among community serving organizations.

- The AmeriCorp volunteer will attend Health Coalition meetings and help coordinate the meetings as needed. The AmeriCorp volunteer will assist with other tasks aligned to the HCGV plan, including outreach to vulnerable populations using the Community Foundation of the Gunnison Valley's Health and Wellness Guide.

- Please upload the following information:

1. Most recent year's actual income and expenses - include reasonable detail for the agency as a whole (if you are requesting funding for a specific event or project, please provide the event or project actuals as well)
2. Most recent budget - include reasonable detail for the agency as a whole (if you are requesting funding for a specific event or project, please provide the event or project budget as well)
3. Names and addresses of all board members including designation of officers
4. (optional) Please feel free to include any other documents that you think will support your application

	Requested Funds	Narrative - Description of each line (what is included, by whom, how often, etc.)
AmeriCorp Stipend Contribution	$3,750	Part-time AmeriCorp Member for 12 months, 1/2019 – 12/2019
Food and Materials	$1,500	Food and Materials for meetings and trainings for potential home child care providers or Family Friend and Neighbor care providers held throughout the year. $150/meeting x 10
Incentives for FFN Class Attendees	$1,250	Participants completing trainings will receive a modest incentive for attending trainings and/or completing prelicensing requirements.
GHECC & Trainer Staff Time	$5,000	GHECC & Trainer Staff Time for coordination, trainings & presentations
Total	$11,500	