

**CITY OF DAVIS**  
**2002-2003 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION**

**Organization Name:** Woodland Youth Services

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**Total Proposal Request:** \$7,300

On-going Support       New Project

**CDBG Eligible Category:** Public Facility

**National Objective Compliance/Low and Mod Benefit:** Area Benefit

**City Council Identified Critical Needs:**

- 1) Homeless Prevention Services
- 2) Mental Health Services
- 3) Youth

PUBLIC SERVICE

NON-PUBLIC SERVICE

**Beneficiary Information:**

- 132 Total number of beneficiaries in program
- 132 Total number of beneficiaries in program served with CDBG funds
- 99 Percentage of CDBG beneficiaries with low/moderate income
- \$55 Cost per CDBG beneficiary

## PROJECT NARRATIVE

### a. Need

Woodland Youth Services cares for children who have been the victims of abuse, neglect and/or abandonment. They are removed from their homes by Child Protective Services and brought to us because the situations they were living in were dangerous. It is part of WYS's mission and goal to provide a secure environment, keeping each child safe while s/he is in our care.

Unfortunately, it can be difficult to protect these children from danger. In addition to the risks, usual and unusual, that threaten any child, these children must face dangers beyond the norm. Violent parents, criminal relations and other elements that prey on the most vulnerable children are constantly threatening the security that WYS provides.

It is not at all unusual to find danger prowling our premises at night, picking at the windows, climbing onto the roof and even attempting to lure children to the windows and abduct them.

Although we have an excellent rapport with the Woodland Police Department, they cannot patrol our street all night. By the time our staff is able to confirm the existence of the prowler(s), ensure the safety of the children and call the police, the alarm has sounded and the perpetrator has escaped. We need a means of discouraging crime, identifying criminals who endanger our clients and quietly confirming their presence so the police can be called to apprehend them. We are requesting the assistance of the City of Davis with the purchase and installation of security cameras. Two cameras would be mounted on each facility. Each facility would have a separate system including a monitor, time lapse recorder and multiplexor. Such cameras are standard equipment at many shelters and group homes, and we are certain that they would significantly improve our ability to provide the security and peace of mind that these children need and deserve.

### b. Benefit

All of the children at the Emergency Shelter Home and Crossroads House are homeless and on MediCal. With few exceptions (some of the older children have after-school jobs), none of the children have any income at all. This project addresses the need for Transitional Assistance. It also assists in preventing abuse and alleviating fear and therefore addresses Mental Health Services and Youth.

### c. Other Resources and Collaboration

WYS continues to develop and maintain collaborative relationships with several community agencies and organizations. Our contract with Yolo County Department of Social Services provides funding and social work services. We also work closely with Yolo County Department of Mental Health, Molina Medical Clinic, Peterson Clinic, Chappe-De Medical Clinic, Lincoln Dental, Yolo Food Bank, local schools and Yolo Family Service Agency. WYS staff continually seeks contributions and in-kind

donations from community organizations and businesses. We have not applied to other funders for this particular project.

**d. Organizational Capacity**

Since 1985, Woodland Youth Services has been caring for children in crisis. Currently, we can accommodate sixteen children. Last year we provided 2,612 client service days to 132 children. WYS operates the only 24-hour emergency shelter for children in Yolo County.

## **SCOPE OF SERVICES**

**a. Project Description**

In order to identify and discourage prowlers, criminals and violent people related to the children in our care, we would like to purchase and install security cameras for the outside of both facilities.

The entire budget will support direct services to homeless people – all of our children are homeless. We are requesting support from the City of Davis in the amount of \$55 per child (number of children is estimated, based on actual numbers from last year). Additional support will come from community organizations, donations, additional grant requests and various fundraising activities.

**b. Target Group**

The target group for this project is all children at WYS between the ages of six and eighteen. All of the children have been removed from their homes by Child Protective Services due to abuse, neglect, molestation and/or abandonment. The children are placed with Woodland Youth Services until appropriate placement can be determined for them or until they are emancipated at the age of eighteen. of violence and failure.

**c. Outreach**

Does not apply to this program or this project.

## TIMELINE

### a. Work Plan

#### List Activity

#### Completion Date

Get written bids for equipment and installation of security cameras

July

Purchase equipment and have it installed

August

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**CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY**

<b>Budget Category</b>	<b>Proposed Budget</b>	<b>Other Sources</b>	<b>Total</b>
A. Surveillance Cameras (\$1,000 apiece x 4)	\$4,000	\$0	\$4,000
B. Monitors (\$250 apiece x 2)	\$500	\$0	\$500
B. Multiplexors (\$600 apiece x 2)	\$1,200	\$0	\$1,200
D. Time Lapse Recorders (\$800 apiece x 2)	\$1,600	\$0	\$1,600
<b>TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET</b>	<b>\$7,300</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$7,300</b>

Prices include labor costs.