

2002-2003 CDBG APPLICATION QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

Name of Organization: Pine Tree Gardens, Inc

Project Title: Supported Employment Program

1. You indicate in your CDBG application a total of 32 beneficiaries (all being CDBG beneficiaries) enrolled in the Pine Tree Gardens. What is the maximum capacity of the Pine Tree Gardens residential program?

The beneficiaries of the Supported Employment Program include the 28 clients residing at Pine Tree along with five to ten local individuals with mental illness. These people are referred to us by the Co-Op, parents, other community outreach agencies and individuals. Our program provides off-site development and the corresponding job support needed. A personalized plan is developed for each person specific to that person's disability. The staffing of 1.5 job coaches sets the current client limit.

2. You indicate in your application that the total cost per CDBG beneficiary is \$0.00. Yet, dividing your requested funding by the number of CDBG beneficiaries, I calculate that cost to be \$375.00 (or approximately 61% of your total operating budget.) What measures of public funding have you applied for and/or secured in case this CDBG request for funding is either reduced or denied? Are you a United Way Campaign beneficiary?

The cost to the client/resident is zero. The cost of the program is as you stated. Pine Tree Gardens is not a recipient of any United Way Campaign funding. As most other small agencies, we have found that the administrative costs exceed the small funding benefits. We have been Medi-Cal certified for our day treatment programs. These funds can be used for the job-training portion of our Supported Employment Program.