

2010-2011 CDBG/HOME APPLICANT QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

Name of Organization:	Yolo County Court Appointed Special Advocate
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Project Title:	Mentors Bridging Access (MBA) Project
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Question	Answer
How does the new program being proposed differ from the existing services that are already provided?	This project will specifically provide independent living services to children 14-21 transitioning from the juvenile justice/foster care system. Yolo County CASA currently recruits, trains and supervises community volunteers to provide advocacy for children birth to 25 years old in Yolo County. CASAs are officers of the court and advocate for the child's best interest while they are dependents of the court.

2.

Question	Answer
How will this position of Transition Coordinator be funded in future years?	The Yolo County CASA (YCC) board of directors has made a commitment to reserve \$10,000 annually for this project for the next 3 years. Annually funding will be sought from a variety of other sources, i.e. foundations, corporations and special events.

3.

Question	Answer
How will you evaluate and ensure continuity of this program?	YCC has an established evaluation process for its programs that include both qualitative and quantitative objects. Also, all YCC programs, orientations and trainings require participant evaluations. Data is supplied to various funding sources and included in the agency annual report.

4.

Question	Answer
Will the proposal fund part of the entire operation or a specific sub-project? For example, Will the proposed funds flow into the general budget or are they exclusively earmarked for a specific, discreet sub-function?	Part of the operation. Monies will be restricted specifically for those requested in the CDBG grant application.

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Question	Answer
If the information is available, what is the total projected cost of the project in Fiscal Year (FY) 2009-2010?	YCC operates on the fiscal year July 1 – June 30. Project is to begin offering services in July 2010.

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Question	Answer
If the request for funding is approved, what will be the total cost of the project in FY 2010-2011?	\$38,600

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Question	Answer
How many individuals are projected to be served by the project in FY 2009-2010?	N/A

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Question	Answer
If the information is available, what is the projected cost of project services per individual served in FY 2009-2010?	N/A

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Question	Answer
If applicable, what additional measurable criteria are used by the project to evaluate effectiveness? Please limit criteria to three or less. For example, the services might be measured in number of meals served, bed-nights or therapy sessions provided.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) 40 youth will receive transition services through FY 2011 2) By 6/2011, 25% of those foster youth served will have improved housing, employment opportunities, education, health and social/life management skills and ongoing mentoring role models in their lives 3) By 6/2011, there will be a 25% decrease in the number of transitioning-age foster youth who are homeless in Yolo County

10.

Question	Answer
If the information is available, provide the total projected cost per unit of measurable service in FY 2009-2010.	N/A

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Question	Answer
Provide the total projected cost per unit of measurable	$\$38,600 \div 40 \text{ youth} \div 12 \text{ hours} = \80.41 per unit

service in FY 2010-2011.	
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Question	Answer
With the number of applications and the small amount of funding available for public service grants, the city is having to make difficult funding decisions. What is the minimum grant amount that your organization could use and still maintain the service your grant application describes? Or is there a crucial component of your application that requires this funding and how much is the cost of that component?	The crucial component is staff salaries and benefits. YCC has restricted \$10,000 for start up costs and the funding requested from CDBG Davis of \$11,850 would allow YCC to provide services in 2010-2011 to a minimum of 40 youth.

Responses are due **NO LATER THAN MARCH 8th**. The responses must be submitted as a Word document using the above format. The responses should include both the questions and answers. Responses must be submitted via e-mail. E-mail should be addressed to dmerschat@cityofdavis.org. Responses should not be mailed.

DEADLINE: MARCH 8, 2010 at 5:00 P.M.