Mini Grant Program Application

Federal ID of Applicant Organization (if applicable) 100206927

Project Title Tri'C's Drug Free Day

Name of Applicant Tri-C Drug Prevention Organization

Commonwealth Vendor registration number 101993

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Is Applicant a 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) non-profit organization or governmental entity? Yes

Grant Amount Requested 9100.00

Anticipated Start Date of Project 07/31/2023

Provide a description of Applicant

Tri-C DPO has been a nonprofit organization since 2017. We are a group of volunteers who have either suffered from dependency issues or have family members that have suffered with addiction. We have worked in Dauphin County to educate community members of the harm of drug and alcohol abuse. We attend community events and work closely with the County's department of drug and alcohol services. Throughout the year we work with those in rehabilitation to

support them staying clean and sober. We go into local schools and put on speeches for young people so they can hear from those in rehabilitation the danger of drug and alcohol abuse.

Have you received a grant from the OAG previously?

No

Identify all officers of the Applicant

Veronica Knope - president

Leslie Mars - vice president

Jake Santiago - treasurer

Chidi Shellstrop - secretary

Describe key individuals involved with the Project.

Michael Al-Jamil - board member county drug and alcohol services

Janet Mendoza - board member county drug and alcohol services

Vicky Judge - DARE teacher advisor at Central Town High School

Manny Anagonye - president Drugs are Bad nonprofit

Include what work each individual will perform, their qualifications, and prior experience with the Project.

Michael Al-Jamil and Janet Mendoza will provide resources available to them through the county government, they will bring flyers and contact information to prevention and rehab programs. They will set up a table at our Day Free Event. They have been working with the county for a number of years, we work with them often as we are all interested in stopping alcohol abuse in the county.

Vicky Judge will be our contact at Central Town- she will help coordinate with the school and student volunteers. She will spread our message and promote our event at the school so we can spread our message to as many people as possible.

Manny Anagonye has been working with his nonprofit, Drugs are Bad for the last 10 years. He has done similar events in the county, he will also help to promote our Drug Free Day. Anagonye will help to get volunteers to man the various stations in our event.

Describe any organizations that the Applicant will partner with during this Project.

We will partner with Central Town High School, County Drug and Alcohol Services, Drugs are Bad Nonprofit, County Stay Clean Rehab Services, East Police Department.

Describe their roles in this Project.

They will all be directly involved in promoting the Drug Free Day. They will all attend the event and have their own booths or man the different drug informational stations.

Describe the target audience of the Project, including the geographical area to be served

This event will target teens and young adults who are most likely to try drugs and are at a risk of overdosing or trying tainted drugs. This Drug Free Day will take place in Dauphin County and will be targeted to those residents, however anyone in the area will be welcomed to join.

How many participants are expected

Describe the Event or Project and how it will utilize the requested grant funds, including its intended start date and duration.

We will start planning the event on July 31st. The drug free day will be on October 1st. It will last for four hours from 10 am-2pm. We will have booths where students can learn about the harms of drug abuse. There will be representatives from the local hospital who will show the effects of drugs on various organs. There will be a booth where kids can pledge to be drug free. We will also have the local police out to explain the legal repercussions of drug use. We will hand out coloring pages, bracelets, and pencils. We will also rent inflatables. Provide snow cones, cotton candy, hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, and refreshments. We will use the grant funds to offset the costs.

Describe how the Project provides substance abuse education or encourages reduction of demand for illegal substances.

Our entire event will be done to provide education about substance abuse. We are specifically targeting youths and explaining to them the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse. Our goal is to have at least half of the attendees 150+, take the pledge to be drug free.

Describe how you will measure the effectiveness of the Event or Project.

We will measure the effectiveness of our program in two ways.

1. We will collect contact information for attendees and conduct a survey asking them what their opinion of the program was and if it has changed their thoughts on drugs and alcohol.

2. We will continue to work with the county drug and alcohol service, police, and high school to measure if drug use has decreased in our community since the event.

Describe how this or similar projects have been shown to be effective in the past.

We have had similar but smaller projects in the past and have gotten very good reviews from attendees. They have asked for more events done to target our kids. Research shows that after these kinds of events kids are less likely to try drugs.

Do you understand that the grant funds will be paid as reimbursement based on submitted and approved receipts unless you are specifically approved to receive up-front payment?

Yes

Up-front payment request

We are a small nonprofit organization that is run by volunteers, while we will work diligently over the next few months to raise funds for this Drug Free Day event, we are not able to pay vendors upfront. I can provide you with any and all financial statements from or nonprofit as well as send you information about our fundraising efforts which include a carwash, partnering with the local pizza shop, and asking for donations during the high school's football games. We are low-income county, and we don't want to ask too much of the residents so as to not deter them from attending.

Please provide documentation or calculation regarding how you determined the amount needed to pay for items that will be funded by the grant.

We have already spoken with vendors and have received estimates for all our purchaes. The money will go to renting inflatables, tables, chairs, canopies, paying for food, drinks, and promotional materials.

Are you providing matching funds towards this Project? Yes

Describe the source of these funds and description of how these funds will be utilized for the Event or Project.

Our goal is to raise 1000 dollars in matching funds through our fundraising efforts. Some of our fundraising efforts are a

car wash to be held at the local fire station, a partnership with the local pizza shop to get a portion of profits for the day, and asking for donations at the high schools football games. The funds will be used to pay for anything we may need during the event such as Drug Free bracelets.

In the last five years, has the Applicant or any of the individuals involved in the Event or Project: - response to bullet list.

No

Do you certify that the individuals involved in this Event or Project including anyone who will handle grant funds has NOT been involved in grants or other funding that was found to be mismanaged or misused by your organization or a grant/funding agency? Yes

Do you certify that as of the date of this application the Applicant has no tax liabilities or other Commonwealth obligations, has filed a timely administrative or judicial appeal if such liabilities or obligations exist, or is subject to a duly approved deferred payment plan if such liabilities exist? Yes

Grant Funded

Expenditures	Funds Requested
3 large Inflatables rented from Yo Go Inflatables	3000
20 tables rented from Events Galore for 6 hours	500
200 chairs rented from Events Galore for 6 hours	800
20 canopies rented from Events Galore for 6	1000
400 hot dogs purchased from Costmart	400
400 hamburgers purchased from Costmart	600
600 water bottles purchased from Costmart	500
1 cotton candy machine and supplies rented from Events Galore for 4 hours	500
1 snow cone machine and supplies rented from Events Galore for 4 hours	500
20 boxes of potato chips from Costmart	300
600 "Don't do Drugs" bracelets from OnlinePrints.com @ 1 dollar each	600
1000 flyers promoting the event from OnlinePrints.com @ 20cents each	200
1000 "Don't do Drugs" pledge sheets from OnlinePrints.com @ 20 cents each	200
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PROJECT TOTAL \$9,100.00