

**State of Maine**  
**Master Score Sheet**

RFP# 202402022					
Supporting Community-Based Organization Working Within Marginalized Communities					
Bidder Name:		Community Organizing Alliance	Elevate Nation	Ifka Community Services	Maine Inside Out
Proposed Cost:		\$19,855.00	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
Scoring Sections	Points Available				
Section I: Preliminary Information	Pass/Fail	P	P	P	P
Section II: Organization Qualifications and Experience	25	20	20	15	20
Section III: Proposed Services	25	20	20	15	20
Section IV: Increase of Marginalized Population in Program	25	22	20	15	20
Section V: Cost Proposal	25	10	7	5	10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>100</u></b>	<b><u>72</u></b>	<b><u>67</u></b>	<b><u>50</u></b>	<b><u>70</u></b>

Bidder Name:		Midcoast Youth Center & Skatepark	OOB Juvenile Review Board	OUT Maine	RJ Institute of Maine
Proposed Cost:		\$24,960.00	\$10,000.00	\$24,596.00	\$22,000.00
Scoring Sections	Points Available				
Section I: Preliminary Information	Pass/Fail	P	P	P	P
Section II: Organization Qualifications and Experience	25	25	20	25	18
Section III: Proposed Services	25	25	20	25	20
Section IV: Increase of Marginalized Population in Program	25	25	12	25	20
Section V: Cost Proposal	25	15	25	15	15
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>100</u></b>	<b><u>90</u></b>	<b><u>77</u></b>	<b><u>90</u></b>	<b><u>73</u></b>

Bidder Name:		RJ Project Maine	Smooth Feather	Sustainable Livelihoods Relief Org	United Youth Empowerment Services
Proposed Cost:		\$19,383.20	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
Scoring Sections	Points Available				
Section I: Preliminary Information	Pass/Fail	P	P	P	P
Section II: Organization Qualifications and Experience	25	25	25	20	10
Section III: Proposed Services	25	25	25	20	10
Section IV: Increase of Marginalized Population in Program	25	25	25	18	10
Section V: Cost Proposal	25	12	15	15	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>100</u></b>	<b><u>87</u></b>	<b><u>90</u></b>	<b><u>73</u></b>	<b><u>35</u></b>

<b>Bidder Name:</b>		<b>The Barra School</b>	<b>Boys &amp; Girls Clubs of Border Towns</b>
<b>Proposed Cost:</b>			
<b>Scoring Sections</b>	<b>Points Available</b>		
Section I: Preliminary Information	Pass/Fail	F	F
Section II: Organization Qualifications and Experience	25		
Section III: Proposed Services	25		
Section IV: Increase of Marginalized Population in Program	25		
Section V: Cost Proposal	25		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>100</u></b>		



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Ms. Miranda Moddy Miller  
The Barra School, Inc  
351 Oak Lane  
East Corinth, VT 05040

**SUBJECT:** Notice of Conditional Contract Award(s) under RFP # 202402022  
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Mr. Jon Solomon, CEO  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Border Towns  
7 Northern Road  
Presque Isle ME 04769

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Safiya Khalid, Executive Director  
Community Organizing Alliance  
c/o Maine Conservation Alliance  
295 Water Street Suite #9  
Augusta, ME 04330

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Dear Executive Director Kahlid,

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Aide Samantha Moore  
Elevate Nation  
784 South Clearwater Loop STER  
Post Falls, ID 83854

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Dear Ms. Moore,

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Ifraax Saciid-Ciise  
IFKA Community Services  
229 Lisbon Street Suite B  
Lewiston, ME 04240

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Jamie Dorr, Executive Director  
Midcoast Youth Center & Skatepark  
4 Old Brunswick Road  
Bath, ME 04530

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Dear Executive Director Dorr,

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Joseph Jackson, Co-Executive Director  
Maine Inside Out  
P.O. Box 1062  
Lewiston, ME 04243

**SUBJECT: Notice of Conditional Contract Award(s) under RFP # 202402022**  
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Dear Co-Executive Director Jackson,

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Chief Elise Chard  
Old Orchard Beach Police Department  
16 Emerson Cummings Blvd  
Old Orchard Beach, ME 04064

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Susan Cambell, Executive Director  
OUT Maine  
P.O. Box 1723  
Rockland, ME 04841

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Haley Phillips, Co-Director  
Restorative Justice Institute of Maine  
P.O. Box 2227  
South Portland, ME 04116

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Kathy Durgin-Leighton, Executive Director  
Restorative Justice Project Maine  
132 High Street  
Belfast ME 04615

**SUBJECT: Notice of Conditional Contract Award(s) under RFP # 202402022**  
**Supporting Community-Based Organizations Working Within Marginalized Communities**

Dear Executive Director Durgin-Leighton,

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Silas Hagerty, Director  
Smooth Feather  
9 Cumming Drive  
Gorham, ME 04038

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Jama Mohamed  
Sustainable Livelihoods Relief Organization  
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Lewiston, ME 04240

**SUBJECT:** Notice of Conditional Contract Award(s) under RFP # 202402022  
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Dear Jama Mohamed,

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Omar Hassan  
United Youth Empowerment Services  
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**BIDDER:** Elevate Nation

**DATE:** April 26, 2024

**SUMMARY PAGE**

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**Name of RFP Coordinator:** Linda Barry Potter

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Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population Program	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>
Section V Budget	<b>25</b>	<b>7</b>
<b><u>Total Points</u></b>	<b><u>100</u></b>	<b><u>67</u></b>



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**DATE:** April 26, 2024

**OVERVIEW OF SECTION I  
Preliminary Information**

Section I. Preliminary Information

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Small community-based organization.
- Applicant has lived experience with the population she wants to work with.
- Applicant is targeting youth who are incarcerated, teaching them life skills.
- Applicant wants to build relationships with community colleges in Maine.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION II  
Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- I. Overview of the Organization
  - Currently there is the applicant, however she is interested in partnering with Maine's colleges or community colleges to get credit for youth completing the online program.
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- II. Subcontractors
  - The applicant would use a sub contractor to build the website youth would use.
- III. Organizational Chart
  - No organization chart.
- IV. Litigation
  - No litigation
- V. Financial Viability
  - It appears the first year will be building relationships in Maine, and years 2 and 3 would be delivering services.
- VI. Certificate of Insurances
  - Has provided insurance proof.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION III  
Proposed Services**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Evaluation members were not quite sure they understood the proposal very well.
- Evaluation team members discussed and stated this was more planning for year 1 and services to be delivered in year 2 and 3.
- Highly qualified to work with Maine's SAG due to her lived experiences in ID.
- Applicant is now serving as an advisor to OJJDP.
- Evaluation members liked the concept of Impact Project on the youth being held in LCYDC.
- Work plan was organized with reasonable time frames on deliverables.
- Concerns about if State Agencies and Community Colleges will work together.
- Fresh eyes in Maine might be a good thing for developing those relationships.
- Not knowing the Maine communities may be a barrier to success.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Increase of Marginalized Population in Program**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Applicant is targeting a marginalized population by working with the youth in LCYDC.
- Applicant would also be serving New Mainers by working with this population.
- Liked that her age cohort was 18 – 24 years of age.
- The skills applicant propose are those a youth would need to successfully transition into community reintegration and eventually out of DOC Custody.
- As this program does not exist in Maine starting from zero you can only increase the youth numbers.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section V. Costs	<b>25</b>	<b>7</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

This is more of a planning grant for services than direct services.

Vendor has no contacts in Maine in DHHS or Community Colleges at this time.

Sustainability may be harmed by not having previous relationships in Maine with the organization that serve the population she is looking to partner with.

Project has II Phases, direct service would not begin until Phase II which is year 2 of the contract.

No real property is being requested

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**BIDDER:** Ifka Community Services

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**SUMMARY PAGE**

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Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population Program	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>
Section V Budget	<b>25</b>	<b>5</b>
<b><u>Total Points</u></b>	<b><u>100</u></b>	<b><u>50</u></b>

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**DATE:** April 26, 2024

**OVERVIEW OF SECTION I  
Preliminary Information**

Section I. Preliminary Information

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Working in the community they want to serve.
- Difficult to read and understand their proposal.
- Will expand information into the Somali community by their project.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION II  
Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- I. Overview of the Organization
  - Multiple programs using restorative justice and African Meditation
  - Cultural broker to foster healing in immigrant and refugee communities.
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- II. Subcontractors
  - It appears they will use at least 2 subcontractors to help deliver services.
- III. Organizational Chart
  - Provided
- IV. Litigation
  - No
- V. Financial Viability
  - Appear to be they have a history in serving this community for a few years.
- VI. Certificate of Insurances
  - Provided



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**EVALUATION OF SECTION III  
Proposed Services**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Difficult proposal to evaluate, could be the language barrier as English is not their first language.
- Needed service, after school art program, diversion opportunities for youth.
- Working in an area where several other programs are also working.
- Working with complex and immediate needs presented by at risk youth.
- Program is designed to enhance the youth's integration and participation in society.
- Could have been articulated better. But by not hiring additional staff who will serve the increase in the population and ensure that they feel this way about their community after participation?  
More training opportunities for staff seems to be a real focus.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Increase of Marginalized Population in Program**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- An increase in services will pull in more people, word of mouth rather than established referral sources.
- They will translate materials and supplies into multiple first languages. What controls are there to ensure proper translation?
- Program to serve a larger number of youths without compromising the quality of the program. Program hours are limited, they will use subcontractors but not add staff, who will continue to serve youth after subcontractors leave for the day?
- Strategy appears it could be e successful in reaching this goal.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section V. Costs	<b>25</b>	<b>5</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

Reasonable personnel costs. They would use subcontractors, what if the subcontractors are busy? No letter of support from them, no commitment to be available to the program. Money would be used to expand the number of open slots, serve more youth. Sustainability may become a larger question if their grant is not renewed, little braided funding with other groups. No real property is requested.

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Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population Program	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>
Section V Budget	<b>25</b>	<b>10</b>
<b><u>Total Points</u></b>	<b><u>100</u></b>	<b><u>70</u></b>

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**OVERVIEW OF SECTION I  
Preliminary Information**

Section I. Preliminary Information

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

Applicant has roots in the community they are working in.  
Applicant is a small (less than 50 full time employees) community -based organization.  
The applicant is known for working with the incarcerated population as well as newly released incarcerated persons.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION II  
Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- I. Overview of the Organization
  - Good history of working within the community they were founded in.
  - Qualified to expand services into the Portland area.
- II. Subcontractors
  - No Subcontractors
- III. Organizational Chart
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- IV. Litigation
  - NA
- V. Financial Viability
  - They have managed other grants in the past.
- VI. Certificate of Insurances
  - Provided

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION III  
Proposed Services**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Long mostly positive history of working with adults and youths using the arts mediums.
- States they use RJ but provide no certification of training for facilitators.
- Hires clients as facilitators after their release.
- Expansion of the current program, but no assured that they will retain access to schools.
- Small population of 6-12 youth, some of these youth may already be in the program.
- They would keep the enrolled youths, and add in new younger youth at the Middle School in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade year 2 as they come in.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Increase of Marginalized Population in Program**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Yes they would increase the number of youth they can serve but very slowly.
- No defined numbers of past participants and newly enrolled youth.
- Lack of explanation of how they would find the youth to enroll, teacher referral, school referral, or community partners outside of school.



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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section V. Cost	<b>25</b>	<b>10</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

Staffing costs are the primary costs and seem high for an unknown length of time  
Would have been helpful to lay out details and hourly wages. Expected length of time worked  
Cost includes salary and transportation costs  
Not sure about building out the program, seems like it sustains work already underway  
Unclear how expanded the program will be sustained once grant money has been utilized.  
No real property requests

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**BIDDER:** Midcoast Youth Center & Skatepark

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**SUMMARY PAGE**

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<b><u>Scoring Sections</u></b>	<b><u>Points Available</u></b>	<b><u>Points Awarded</u></b>
Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population Program	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>
Section V Budget	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>
<b><u>Total Points</u></b>	<b><u>100</u></b>	<b><u>90</u></b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Worked in the community they serve since 2020.
- The applicant is addressing a community identified need.
- Applicants will work with a marginalized population.
- Have evolved their services to meet needs in the community.
- Less than 50 full time employees.
- Have had prior grant experiences.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION II  
Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- I. Overview of the Organization
  - Organized and reflective of needs expressed in the community they work within.
  - Extensive history of working with at risk youth.
  - Impressive array of services they offer.
- II. Subcontractors
  - OUT MAINE – highly experienced.
- III. Organizational Chart
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- IV. Litigation
  - NA
- V. Financial Viability
  - They have had community-based grants in the past from others.
- VI. Certificate of Insurances
  - Provided

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION III  
Proposed Services**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- The applicant is very respected within the community as are their facilitators.
- Comprehensive direct support to the adolescent LGBTQ + community.
- Field trips broaden the participants horizon.
- Real world interaction and support from others with lived experience.
- Access through this program to additional mental health services.
- Creating a local safe place for this marginalized population.
- Worked plan is researched.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Increase of Marginalized Population in Program**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- 1 – 2 hours of weekly meetings.
- Ability to provide transportation is critical to adolescents.
- Program design to target marginalized youth who are part of the LGBTQ+ community or are just exploring their gender expression.
- Safe place with responsible adults to discuss concerns from their lives.
- As a new program they can go up from zero youth being served.
- This community has a lack of supportive services for this community.
- Respected by Schools, Community Partnerships, working with Midcoast Youth Center

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section V Costs	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

Costs seem reasonable.

The grant allows them to grow a program currently in place.

\$4000 for supplies seems a bit high,

No requests for real property

Yes, the program has been successfully serving this community for years

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**Name of RFP Coordinator:** Linda Barry Potter

**Names of Evaluators:** Renee Bernard, Luc Nya, Tanya Pierson, Doug Sandborn

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<b><u>Scoring Sections</u></b>	<b><u>Points Available</u></b>	<b><u>Points Awarded</u></b>
Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population Program	<b>25</b>	<b>12</b>
Section V Budget	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>
<b><u>Total Points</u></b>	<b><u>100</u></b>	<b><u>77</u></b>



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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Community-based organization that works closely with the OOB PD.
- Less than 50 full time employees.
- Has been providing this type of work in community successfully.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION II  
Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

I. Overview of the Organization

- This committee has worked closely with the town, review board and PD, in this community to offer a Juvenile Review Board (JCRB) as an diversion for minor charges away from the formal juvenile justice system.
- The JCRB has been working in this community for 11 years.
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II. Subcontractors

- Yes, the person who serves the JCRB as its case manager.

III. Organizational Chart

- Included

IV. Litigation

- NA

V. Financial Viability

- They have managed JJAG Title II Grants before and done well.

VI. Certificate of Insurances

- Provided.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION III  
Proposed Services**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- They did not detail the prior work experience.
- JCRB builds vital connections for youth in the community.
- The use Restorative Justice (RJ) methods and are familiar with Mental Health and Crisis Prevention services.
- Very community oriented and has been active for a long time.
- They wish to increase training for the Facilitator in RJ methods.
- They wish to make up some flyers to be recognized in all parts of their community.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Increase of Marginalized Population in Program**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program	<b>25</b>	<b>12</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Helping youth avoid the formal juvenile justice system and resolve matters within the community is the model that they have. The OOB PD and Reserve Officers know how to use referrals first for minor offenses and status offenses.
- They don't have an out-reach plan other than flyers and maintain the Board meetings year-round instead of just in the summer. This would increase the number of youths served.
- Not sure that the marginalized populations will be referred to this program.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section V. Cost	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

The costs seem reasonable for a smaller project. This funding will allow for a year-round Community Review Board to divert more youth from the traditional justice system.  
Opens up more opportunities for more youth who live in the OOB community.  
Costs are for salary of the coordinator & they will train another facilitator  
No requests for real property.  
OOB PD will continue to serve the people of OOB in a variety of way include this one.

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Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population Program	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>
Section V Budget	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>
<b><u>Total Points</u></b>	<b><u>100</u></b>	<b><u>90</u></b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Founded in 1996
- They have built out services for the LGBTQ+ community in Maine.
- They have fewer than 50 full-time employees.
- Their longevity makes them a trusted entity in Maine.
- They have demonstrated stability and sustainability in their years in Maine.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION II  
Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

I. Overview of the Organization

- They have grown from a volunteer staff to a staff of 9 employees.
- They do service work all over Maine.
- Respected, reliable, and responsible provider of services.
- Very recognized for the services and support in communities and even working with government agencies to help their community.
- Demonstrable understanding and shared lived experience.

II. Subcontractors

- NA

III. Organizational Chart

- Provided

IV. Litigation

- NA

V. Financial Viability

- They have managed grants from many different sources and are a stable organization.

VI. Certificate of Insurances

- Provided



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**EVALUATION OF SECTION III  
Proposed Services**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Weekly therapeutic sessions
- Peer support will be provided.
- Activities for youth.
- Family support.
- Skill building workshops.
- Mental Health support.
- Resiliency and coping skills will be focused on.
- They have demonstrated their ability to be culturally competent as well.
- Exposure to MH services, transformation guidance to those who seek it, and giving youth a safe place to genuinely express themselves.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Increase of Marginalized Population in Program**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- OUT Maine focuses on the needs of the LGBTQ+ community, which is a marginalized community in Maine.
- They provided a public service by being local with support and being there weekly.
- They currently serve 700 youth in Maine through support groups these funds would allow services for another 125 youth who are on their wait list.
- They have experience partnering with Hospital and the CDC on tobacco cessation campaign.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section V. Cost	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

Costs are reasonable considering the scope of the project and how it is tied into another project as well.

Staff is the majority of the requested contract.

Some money will go toward supplies.

They have strategic partnerships to serve the youth in these communities.

This will extend their services into an area where they haven't been working before.

Sustainability Yes, lengthy history here in Maine as an advocate for the LGBTQ+ communities.

No real property requested.

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<b><u>Scoring Sections</u></b>	<b><u>Points Available</u></b>	<b><u>Points Awarded</u></b>
Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>18</b>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population Program	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>
Section V Budget	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>
<b><u>Total Points</u></b>	<b><u>100</u></b>	<b><u>73</u></b>

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Section I. Preliminary Information

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- They are a community-based organization.
- They work with women who are re-entering from jail or prison.
- They work with refugee, immigrant, and asylee populations.
- They have less than 50 full time employees.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION II  
Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>18</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

I. Overview of the Organization

- The organization has worked with other known community-based organizations to serve their marginalized populations. Women's Re-Entry Center, Maine Health Access Foundation, Youth Led Justice
- They specialize in working with youth and they use Restorative Justice practices with them.
- Are project past, present or future, no time -ines to know this.

II. Subcontractors

- NA

III. Organizational Chart

- Provided

IV. Litigation

- NA

V. Financial Viability

- They have managed grants in the past, so they have that experience.

VI. Certificate of Insurances

- Provided.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION III  
Proposed Services**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Weekly and after school hours ages 13 – 18 for 2 hours, will run for 12 weeks.
- They hope to serve 20 youth in each group.
- They will learn about RJ practices and build positive peer relationships.
- They can deepen the ties to their communities and increase a sense of belonging.
- Caring adults modeling positive behaviors and relationships skills.
- This fills an identified gap that there are no free after school Arts programs.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Increase of Marginalized Population in Program**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

This proposal is not designed to increase the population but to increase cross cultural understanding.

It is free, an accessible location and after school

This organization has a history of providing RJ, social justice, cross cultural program to populations in need.

It will serve at least 20 participants

They will seek participants by reaching out to local schools, immigrant serving organization and institutions of faith.

Proving safe and inclusive space for BIPOC and immigrant/refugee youth. Allow youth to explore their identities, learn about and share cultures develop a sense of community.



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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section V. Costs	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

Costs are reasonable, it would be nice to know the hourly rate they are using and # of hour to be worked.

Grant allows them to expand program already in place and they will be able reuse certain supplies they are requesting.

This project will help full a critical need in the community.

They are sustainable through various funding sources.

They are not asking for any real property.

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Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population Program	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>
Section V Budget	<b>25</b>	<b>12</b>
<u><b>Total Points</b></u>	<u><b>100</b></u>	<u><b>87</b></u>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Less than 50 full time employees
- Works within the community the live in
- Works with immigrants, refugees and asylees

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION II  
Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- I. Overview of the Organization
  - Overcoming many barriers
  - Application was hard to understand, just learning our culture and language
  - Their project works with translator's for a rare dialect MyaMya.
  - Project two Public Service Announcements in first language for education.
  - Listening Circles – improves feelings of safety, belonging, and conflict resolution serve more than 50 youth.
- II. Subcontractors
  - NA
- III. Organizational Chart
  - YES
- IV. Litigation
  - NO
- V. Financial Viability
  - Appears so they have received grants from other sources.
- VI. Certificate of Insurances
  - Provided.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION III  
Proposed Services**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Offer multilingual, culturally responsive restorative practices.
- Advanced training for community members
- Circle of Care facilitation to assist youth in Lewiston Middle and High School
- Support youth and families inside of the school system.
- Trying to reduce the number of suspended or expelled students in Lewiston.
- Help families to understand disciplinary actions by the school eases confusion and feelings of exclusion.
- Services are necessary.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Increase of Marginalized Population in Program**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- They believe with the right tools they will reach 25% more community members.
- Referral process is via school and community referrals.
- Working with a number of community partners.
- So far their strategies of multiple community partners has been successful in growing the program.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section V. Cost	<b>25</b>	<b>12</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

Costs are reasonable for services they will be providing.

Half of the requested grant is for funding of staff, the other half is for a variety of costs some of which are reusable.

This grant would allow for an expansion of services in the Lewiston community.

They are not asking for any real property.

This applicant will help fulfil a critical need (translation) in the community.

Yes they are sustainable.

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<b><u>Scoring Sections</u></b>	<b><u>Points Available</u></b>	<b><u>Points Awarded</u></b>
Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population Program	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>
Section V Budget	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>
<b><u>Total Points</u></b>	<b><u>100</u></b>	<b><u>90</u></b>



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**BIDDER:** Smooth Feather

**DATE:** April 26, 2024

**OVERVIEW OF SECTION I  
Preliminary Information**

Section I. Preliminary Information

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Community based organization
- Less than 50 full time employees
- Sustainable 50 projects since starting
- Keeps community members connected

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION II  
Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- I. Overview of the Organization
  - Has worked in the community for a while.
  - Has subscribers to help sustain itself.
  - Small but well organized.
  - Invested in the youth in their community.
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- II. Subcontractors
  - NA
- III. Organizational Chart
  - YES
- IV. Litigation
  - NA
- V. Financial Viability
  - Have continued to create projects through a variety of sources.
- VI. Certificate of Insurances
  - YES

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION III  
Proposed Services**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Various titles all youth selected.
- Encourages youth to process difficulties of growing up at a deeper level.
- Have been invited to present their films before Judges at a Conference in 2023.
- Has been honored with Short Film awards.
- Project funds 43% of Director's salary, uses braided funding.
- Empower youth.
- Provide critical creative interventions during after school hours.
- Retain, develops teen to remain in their group and help others.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Increase of Marginalized Population in Program**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program	<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Plan is to increase youth participation by 20%.
- They are all ready working with youth who are part of the LGBTQ+ community, youth impacted by substance abuse, mental health disorders, so this is expected to continue.
- Youth led decisions making.
- Important part of their community, so community referrals will continue.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section V. Cost	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

Costs appear to be reasonable.

The funds will supply salary for an already existing position (currently it is unpaid).

The costs appear to allow the program to grow.

They have a known presence in the community and have shown positive contributions.

Grant funds would go towards supporting their work.

They will use braided funding for this project, so it appears sustainable.

Not requesting any real property.

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**SUMMARY PAGE**

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Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population Program	<b>25</b>	<b>18</b>
Section V Budget	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>
<b><u>Total Points</u></b>	<b><u>100</u></b>	<b><u>73</u></b>

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**OVERVIEW OF SECTION I  
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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Community based organization.
- Less than 50 full time employees.
- Employees are individuals with lived experience.
- The applicant has bilingual and bicultural workers.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION II  
Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- I. Overview of the Organization
  - The applicant is based in the community they are proposing to work within.
  - They work with adults and youth of their community.
  - They focus on Work Force entry, intergraded with cultural adaptation.
  - Demonstrated need for work and language skills.
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- II. Subcontractors
  - NA
- III. Organizational Chart
  - YES
- IV. Litigation
  - NA
- V. Financial Viability
  - The have received other grants in the past.
- VI. Certificate of Insurances
  - YES



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**EVALUATION OF SECTION III  
Proposed Services**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Provide training in essential life skills.
- Nutritional empowerment.
- Sustainability and food sovereignty.
- Provide translation services.
- Provide cultural brokering services.
- Desire to provide training to 10 people for 40 hours in RJ practices.
- High need for services in the community.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Increase of Marginalized Population in Program**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program	<b>25</b>	<b>18</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- High need inside of the community will grow the participation in their program.
- No percentages of what kind of growth they want to see and if they will be able to support growth with their services.
- Relying on organic growth of volunteers for the training.
- Providing training and technical assistance is a way to increase referrals with good outcomes.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section V. Cost	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

Costs seems high for paraprofessionals.

Most of the money will go towards training new advocates.

They will provide up to 10 participants the opportunity to train as advocates.

This would build out the project by providing additional advocates to families.

They do collaborate with other community partners.

Because they are training additional advocates, this gives the program sustainability.

They are not asking for any real property

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**BIDDER:** United Youth Empowerment Services

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**SUMMARY PAGE**

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**Name of RFP Coordinator:** Linda Barry Potter

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Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>10</b>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>10</b>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population Program	<b>25</b>	<b>10</b>
Section V Budget	<b>25</b>	<b>5</b>
<b><u>Total Points</u></b>	<b><u>100</u></b>	<b><u>35</u></b>

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**BIDDER:** United Youth Empowerment Services

**DATE:** April 26, 2024

**OVERVIEW OF SECTION I  
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Section I. Preliminary Information

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Community based organizations.
- Fewer than 50 full time employees.
- Knows of communities unique needs.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION II  
Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section II. Organization Qualifications and Experience	<b>25</b>	<b>10</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- I. Overview of the Organization
  - Created a community soccer event.
  - This appears to be for a hire of 1 person.
  - Not very clear about what he will do for this organization.
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- II. Subcontractors
  - No
- III. Organizational Chart
  - No
- IV. Litigation
  - No
- V. Financial Viability
  - Unclear how they have handled other funding previously.
- VI. Certificate of Insurances
  - Yes

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION III  
Proposed Services**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section III. Proposed Project	<b>25</b>	<b>10</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- Executive Team Planning
- Field trips with youth.
- Work with KIDS Legal
- Develop are and environmentally themed fieldtrips.
- Application leans heavily on a prior association with MEIRS and Circles of Care among others.
- Program does not state for how many hours per week, or how many youth to be served.

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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Increase of Marginalized Population in Program**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section IV. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program	<b>25</b>	<b>10</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

- The plan to increase the population is to rely on referrals from other community-based organizations they have connections with.
- No number of youths who are in service vs how many will be in service.
- Growth appears to rely on word of mouth, rather than a set strategy.
- The reliance on words in the RFA but no real explanation about how they will implement this plan.



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**EVALUATION OF SECTION IV  
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Section V. Cost	<b>25</b>	<b>5</b>

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**Evaluation Team Comments:**

All funding costs go towards staffing.

This program will provide for up to 10 participants to be trained as advocates.

Costs seem high for using para-professionals – stipends might more sense.

Unclear how grant management will be utilized.

Will staff be compensated for extra hours, is that necessary?

They will carry out a project but not expand upon it.

No equipment costs were requested.

Sustainability is questionable at this point.

They do have collaboration with other local community partners.

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**RFP TITLE:** Supporting Community-Based Organizations Working Within Marginalized Communities

**BIDDER NAME:** Community Organizing Alliance

**DATE:** 4/23/24

**EVALUATOR NAME:** Douglas Sanborn

**EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT:** Corrections / Juvenile Justice Advisory Group

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*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- *Facilitate civic engagement and social justice programming for Black male students identified by administration as being at risk*
- *Provide LEO Program experience to constituents at Tree Street Youth.*
- *Facilitate LEO Program with all members of Deering High Schools Black Student Union and guest speaker to student body.*

*2. Subcontractors*

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*3. Organizational Chart – Executive Director and LEO Facilitator, Safiya Khalid; Community Partnerships and LEO Facilitator, Mohamed Khalid; Program Manager and LEO Facilitator, Scott Turcotte.*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- *Provide LEO (Listening, Education, and Organizing) Program to BIPOC youth at Lewiston High School during the 2024-2025 school*

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*year. The program will contribute to Delinquency Prevention, Positive Youth Development and Cultural Brokering.*

- *Goal is to engage and empower BIPOC population on order to give them tools for becoming positively involved in their communities and make their voices heard on issues they care about.*
- *Expands current program to “out of school” times.*
- *Currently serves 12-15 students per year.*

**2. Implementation – Work Plan**

- *Will expand current program program, allowing more students to participate.*

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

- 1. How do they intend to increase population? By utilizing this funding they can significantly increase participation in this program.*
- 2. What referral methods will they use? – Referred by Lewiston High School's Aspirations Coordinator, Kate Chase*
- 3. Does this appear a successful strategy?- It is based on an existing program that is currently in place.*

*IV. Budget*

Community Organizing Alliance

1. Personell costs of \$10,000 appear to be reasonable
2. Structurally, no, but will increase future participation
3. No, just supplies
4. They are a primary resource in the Lewiston/Auburn area

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**RFP TITLE:** Supporting Community-Based Organizations Working Within Marginalized Communities

**BIDDER NAME:** Elevate Nation

**DATE:** 4/23/24

**EVALUATOR NAME:** Douglas Sanborn

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*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- *None Known*
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*2. Subcontractors*

- *None*
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*3. Organizational Chart – None Known*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- *Comprehensive Report detailing the current state of reintegration services in Maine.*
- *Formalized partnerships with higher education institutions, evidenced by MOU between JJAG and Elevate Nation.*
- *Catalog of skills resources, and knowledge identified by system-impacted youth at LCYDC*

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- *Development and establishment of of the Youth Speak Newsletter and a Resource Manual.*
- *Collaboration with local authorities to compile a toolkit addressing nonviolent, low level juvenile offenses with reentry focused solutions.*
- *Creation of detailed infrastructure documents like handbooks and guidelines tailored to students and staff in the partnership, outlining partnership.*
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**2. Implementation – Work Plan**

- *Year 1: Establish the foundation with higher education and community partners to support youth development and create opportunities for community learning about JJAG; fostering active involvement.*
- *Phase 2: Strengthen site leadership, expand partnerships with educational institutions, enhance resource mapping and improve productivity to standardize curriculum covering financial literacy, workforce preparation, prosocial behaviors, household management, and transportation knowledge.*
- *Phase 3: Achieve expansion to more colleges, develop tools for identifying credible mentors and implement a train the trainer model for credible messenger based reentry planning.*
- *Years 4-5: Focus on securing additional funding to sustain and scale the program, considering a permanent physical location for long-term operations.*

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

- 1. How do they intend to increase population?- Through program involvement.*
- 2. What referral methods will they use?- Elevate Nation plans to engage with entities like New Beginnings and LCYDC to map out the landscape of current reentry services.*
- 3. Does this appear a successful strategy? – It is unclear whether this will be successful.*

*IV. Budget*

One: The costs seem high

Two: It will serve as a good foundation for continuing the program

Three: No equipment, but instructional materials costs appear high at around \$4000 and then add in various administrative costs.

Four: They will link up with LCYDC which will help offer sustainability.

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**BIDDER NAME:** Ifka Community Services

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*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- *Multiple programs blending RJ and cultural brokerage to foster healing in immigrant communities.*

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*2. Subcontractors*

- *Empowered Immigrant Women Unite: Choukri Mahamoud*
- *Maine Community Integration: Fowsia Musse*

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*3. Organizational Chart – Chief Executive: Ifraax Saciid-Ciise*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- *This initiative is designed to address the immediate and complex needs of immigrant/BIPOC at-risk youth, aiming to enhance their integration and participation in society.*

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2. *Implementation – Work Plan – With increased funding, IFKA will facilitate more training opportunities for program staff of the latest practices, cultural competency and trauma-informed care, ensuring that they remain well-equipped to deliver effective services.*

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

*How do they intend to increase population? - IFKA plans to enhance its capacity by providing more supportive materials and supplies such as resource lists and guides to community engagement and events. This will allow the program to serve a larger number of participants without compromising the quality of the programming. By leveraging digital resources and platforms, the program aims to offer remote services, ensuring*

- 1.*
- 2. What referral methods will they use? Upon receiving referrals, the project manager will conduct comprehensive assessments and work collaboratively with marginalized youth to develop personalized plans tailored to their specific needs and goals.*
- 3. Does this appear a successful strategy? – By utilizing an existing program and expanding it, IFKA should be able to find success.*

*IV. Budget*

One: The costs for personell and contracted services combined seems high

Two: It does not build out the program

Three: Vast majority of funding goes to staffing and contracted services costs.

Four: They do have sustainability within the community

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**BIDDER NAME:** Maine Inside Out

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*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- *MIO has a history of working with justice involved or at-risk youth to develop original plays based on the individual lived experiences of the youth.*

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*2. Subcontractors*

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*3. Organizational Chart – Chief Executive/Co-Executive: Joseph Jackson; Philanthropy Lead, Molly Gallagher Burk*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- *Strengthen students' sense of belonging in the school community*
- *Strengthen students' social-emotional learning, coping, and de-escalation skills and reduce misconduct*
- *Build youth leadership regarding school culture and disciplinary practices*

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- *Build strong peer relationships and adult support systems that foster dialogue among students, teachers, staff and families.*
- *Support teachers and school staff in using restorative approaches when students cause harm*
- *Support students in navigating involvement with law enforcement, juvenile justice system, health and human services, and/or school discipline*
- *Support school reintegration after school discipline, school removal and/or contact with law enforcement.*
- *Improve outcomes for at-risk youth by transforming the school to prison pipeline in its early stages*
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2. *Implementation – Work Plan*

- *An expansion of work already being undertaken within the King Middle School in Portland.*

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

- 1. How do they intend to increase population? An expansion of the program will allow more students to participate.*
- 2. What referral methods will they use? – They will focus on BIPOC and at-risk students identified by the staff of King Middle School*
- 3. Does this appear a successful strategy? – It is an expansion of an already successful program, so yes.*

*IV. Budget*

One: Staffing costs are the primary cost and seem high for an unknown length of time.

Two: This funding will contribute to the continuance of Maine Inside Out

Three: All costs are shared between paying staff and transportation costs

Four: MIO is an established group and will continue to exist

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*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- *Has been the backbone organization for the Working Communities Challenge*
- *Purchased office building and turned into transitional housing for emerging adults.*
- *The Sobriety Support Group program*

*2. Subcontractors*

- *OUT Maine: Katie Lutts, Associate Director*
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*3. Organizational Chart*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- *Create a weekly program to engage with Gay Straight Trans Alliance (GSTA) group at Morse High School as well as Bath Middle School to reach students within the LGBTQ+ community.*
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*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

- 1. How do they intend to increase population?- The funding will allow Midcoast Youth Center & Skatepark to continue to build upon it's already impressive track record of helping LGBTQ+ teens in Maine*
- 2. What referral methods will they use?- Midcoast Youth Center & Skatepark utilizes it's indoor skatepark as a beacon to welcome teens.*
- 3. Does this appear a successful strategy?- More funding will allow this organization to continue delivering much needed services to Maine teens as it already does*

*IV. Budget*

One: Amortized over a year, the costs are very reasonable

Two: Considering funding is for over a year, It will probably build out the program

Three: \$4000 in supplies seems a bit high, but still reasonable

Four: If they can find annual funding, I believe they are sustainable.



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- *Previous experience approving and supporting Restorative Justice Process.*
- *Law Enforcement officer for many years with experience with justice involved youth.*
- *Has seen the benefits of promoting alternatives to the traditional justice system.*
- *Has MHRT/CSP Certifications*

*2. Subcontractors*

- *The Juvenile Community Review Board: William Robbins*
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*3. Organizational Chart -*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- *To work with and empower local youth to understand how their misconduct affects others and build the youth's capacity for vital connections within their families and communities.*

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- *Increased training for Restorative Facilitator and community members.*
- *Explore more resources, research and create literature to inform others of our program. This will include goals and success stories.*
- *Support transportation for victims, offenders and community members participating in the restorative process.*
- *Support those that are overseeing restorative participants completing community service.*

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2. *Implementation – Work Plan*

- *Majority of funds to be payment to the RJ Facilitator*
- *Printed materials will help explain the program*

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

- 1. How do they intend to increase population? Additional funding means additional participation and understanding from the community.*
- 2. What referral methods will they use?- The town police department will give referrals to the in-department RJ facilitator*
- 3. Does this appear a successful strategy? – Restorative Justice can be useful for allowing offender and victims to understand each other better, thus leading to more positive outcomes. This is also a program that is already in place, meaning a likelier scenario for success.*

*IV. Budget*

One: The costs seem reasonable for a smaller project

Two: This funding should support the project for a year

Three: Majority of funding is for staffing

Four: OOBPD is an integral part of the community and will continue to serve the people of OOB in a variety of ways.

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- *Founded in 1996 to support midcoast LGBT+ youth.*
- *Extensive experience that demonstrates a deep understanding of the needs and challenges faced by LGBTQ+ youth in Maine*
- *Currently planning capacity building and strategic planning processes to expand services.*

*2. Subcontractors*

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*3. Organizational Chart*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- *Provide a safe space for LGBTQ+ youth in Maine to access mental health support and develop coping strategies and build connections with peers and supportive adults.*
- *Weekly group sessions facilitated by mental health professionals.*
- *Therapeutic activities.*

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- *Family involvement will offer resources and support to for families of LGBTQ+ youth.*

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2. *Implementation – Work Plan*

- *Majority of funding will be for staff salaries*

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

- 1. How do they intend to increase population? Funding will allow OUT to create for Therapeutic events, thus increasing participation.*
- 2. What referral methods will they use? - Unknown*
- 3. Does this appear a successful strategy?- It is based upon an already successful program and is expanding it's reach.*

*IV. Budget*

One: The costs are reasonable considering the scope of the project and how it's tied with another

Two: The cost is for staffing mostly, some will be applied to supplies and such which will most likely be one time purchases and can be used again.

Three: Cost is mainly for staffing

Four: OUT Maine is associating with MidCoast Skate Park and will be working in schools.

There is a lot of space to fulfill needs in the community.

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**BIDDER NAME:** Smooth Feather

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*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- *Experienced in making films related to substance use and deescalating violence.*
- *Works with students who identify as transgender to create film projects.*
- *Created film regarding Anxiety which provided a catalyst for a youth led discussion.*

*2. Subcontractors*

- *No Information*

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*3. Organizational Chart – Executive Director, part-time instructors, Board of Directors.*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- *Provide Smooth Feather w/ an Executive Director*
- *Youth empowerment, Retention and Recruitment.*
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*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

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- *Hire an executive director?*



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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

- 1. How do they intend to increase population? - No Information*
- 2. What referral methods will they use? – No Information*
- 3. Does this appear a successful strategy? – No Information*

*IV. Budget*

One: All funds go to executive director salary. Considering the benefit to the community by Smooth Feather, this seems reasonable.

Two: This funding will help build out the project by providing sustainable funding, which will in turn build the project upon itself.

Three: All funds go to salary.

Four: This project helps fulfill a critical need in the community that is otherwise, unmet.

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**BIDDER NAME:** Sustainable Livelihoods Relief Organization

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- *Provides programming to workforce integration through cultural adaptation. Supports language acquisition for effective integration.*
- *Provide youth with life and professional skills.*
- *Provides food education & Nutrition Workshops*

*2. Subcontractors*

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*3. Organizational Chart*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- *Recruit Maay Maay and/or Somali speaking individuals to help provide civil legal aid training.*
- *Develop and deliver 8-week long training series for Maay Maay/Somali groups.*
- *Compensate recruited members with the support of JJAG funds.*
- *Participate in quarterly RPAAG meetings to share ideas/coordinate.*

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- *Work closely with RPAAG to connect community-school liaisons with students and families seeking aid.*
- *Provide laptops, as needed, to advocate to use for documenting school meetings*
- *Support the filing of claims, documentation of meetings and provide technical assistance to advocates in partnership with RPAAG.*
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**2. Implementation – Work Plan**

- *Will work with other groups, such as RPAAG.*
- *Attend school meetings in the instance of exclusion and other school-related meetings to act as interpreters and cultural brokers for parents/students.*
- *Documentation of school meetings and other communications.*
- *Refer Families to KIDS Legal in the instance of grievous violations.*
- *File requests for various educational needs/ Student records, special education documentation, etc.*
- *Communicate between schools and students/parents.*
- *Review and translate 504 and IEP plans.*
- *Coordinate Circles of Care with Youth*
- *Deliver trainings in primary languages to new Mainers to increase understanding and awareness of civil legal advocacy.*

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

- 1. How do they intend to increase population?- Through use of language trainings they will increase New Mainer participation in our community.*
- 2. What referral methods will they use?- They will seek out families in need of their services and work with RPAAG.*
- 3. Does this appear a successful strategy?- Due to the fact that this group is deeply intertwined with other prominent groups in the community, there is a large chance of success.*

*IV. Budget*

One: Majority of funding goes to training the trainers. This amount seems reasonable.

Two: It will definitely build out the project by providing trainers that will be able to carry on the project.

Three: The funds go to training and not equipment.

Four: Because they are training the trainers, this will provide for future needs within the community.

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- *Specializes in providing targeted and inclusive programming for youth and community members designed to help make positive change in their communities.*
- *Showcases RJ especially as it comes to incarceration*
- *Works with larger partners to provide studies in regard to RJ*
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*2. Subcontractors*

- *Maine Women's Fund*
- *MeHAF*
- *Restorative Dialogues*
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*3. Organizational Chart*

*4. Etc. - (Co-Director), Hawo Mohamed (Lead Facilitator)*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- *Establish weekly afterschool activities to enrich artistic and cultural understanding targeting BIPOC and immigrant/refugee youth ages 13-18.*

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- *Aims to create safe and inclusive space where youth from diverse backgrounds can explore identities and learn about other cultures.*
- *Develop a sense of belonging within the community.*
- *Build leadership skills designed to foster social-emotional skills, build positive peer relationships and strengthen connections to cultural heritage.*
- *To promote resilience and reduce risk for participants from marginalized communities.*

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**2. Implementation – Work Plan**

- *The program will meet once per week for 2 hours over a period of 12 weeks. Led by RJIM's culturally relevant activities, youth will have the opportunity to express themselves creatively while exploring themes related to culture identity, cross cultural understanding and social justice.*

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

- 1. How do they intend to increase population? It is not designed to increase population, but to increase cross cultural understanding.*
- 2. What referral methods will they use? They intend to provide it as an afterschool activity. It is free and will be in an accessible location.*
- 3. Does this appear a successful strategy? Based on past projects, this organization appears to have an expertise in providing RJ, social justice and cross cultural programs to populations in need.*

*IV. Budget*

One: Half of the request is for staffing. The other half is for a variety of costs, some of which are reusable.

Two: It does account for building out their program just by being able to reuse certain things.

Three: Biggest cost is staffing, not much actual equipment.

Four: This project will help fulfill a critical need in the community.

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- *Experienced in providing youth the space and opportunity to share experiences regarding suspension/expulsion and the youth justice system.*
- *Experienced in providing RJ programs*
- *Is connected to several translators that help provide much needed communication between Somali and school administration.*

*2. Subcontractors*

- *MEIRS RPAAG – Develop and provide culturally relevant and appropriate community-based restorative practices and education for parents and youth in the Lewiston area*
- *Nellie Mae Education Fund – Developed and recorded a two-video series titled “Responding to Racial Harm Using Restorative Practices”.*
- *Hosted 7 Circles involving over 50 youth to discuss what makes them feel safe and what gets in the way of feeling like they belong.*

*3. Organizational Chart – Executive Director, Kathy Durgin, Training & Capacity Builders, Heather Fogg, Hanlon Kelley-Dillard, Program Director, Joanna Crispe, Office Coordinator, Tim O'Donnell*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*



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1. *Services to be Provided.*

- *Provide Somali speaking Training Specialist to work with program staff member to offer multilingual, culturally responsive restorative practice curriculum development and training for community members and Circle of Care facilitation.*
- *Train a cohort of Maay Maay and/or Somali speaking restorative practices trainers/consultants*
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2. *Implementation – Work Plan*

- *Provide a Somali Speaking Training Specialist to provide “Train the Trainer” services.*

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

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- 2. What referral methods will they use?*
- 3. Does this appear a successful strategy?*

*IV. Budget*

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**BIDDER NAME:** United Youth Empowered

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- *Provide support and fundraising experience to others*
- *Coordinate Soccer Tournaments with other similar organizations.*
- *Helped others create and produce short films related to cultural identity.*

*2. Subcontractors*

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*3. Organizational Chart – Omar Hassan, Executive Director.*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- *Will allow Executive Director to dedicate 20 hours per week to RPAAG initiatives, while they search for sustainable funding for the position.*
- *Provide translation services to Maay Maay and Somali speakers*
- *Take youth on weekly field trips*
- *Work with various groups as a cultural broker/translator*

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- *Serve as a member of RPAAG's executive planning team.*
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2. *Implementation – Work Plan*

- *Funding will allow Executive Director to work 20 hours per week for RPAAG*

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

- 1. How do they intend to increase population? Providing Translation services and youth programming.*
- 2. What referral methods will they use? – They will utilize their expanding network within the Maay Maay/Somali community.*
- 3. Does this appear a successful strategy? – This is backed by experience with other projects of the same kind.*

*IV. Budget*

One: All funding goes to staffing

Two: It will carry out the project, but not build upon it.

Three: No equipment, just staffing cost.

Four: I think sustainability for this project is questionable at this point.

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**DATE** April 23, 2024

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**Individual Evaluator Comm.**

1 Organization Qualifications and Experience

- This applicant resides in the community it proposes to serve
- The applicant has shared living experience with the population it proposes to serve.
- The organization appears to be connected to Lewiston High School, which is intended to be its primary referral source.
- The proposal demonstrates past experience working within the Lewiston High School system.
- The leader of this program is a pioneer in Community leadership and engagement as evidenced by her role as City Councilor in the City of Lewiston. Her lived experience counts for a lot

2. *Subcontractors*

- There appear to be no subcontractors involved in this proposal.

3. Organizational Chart

The applicant has not provided an organizational chart.

4. *Etc.*

II. Proposed Services

1. Services to be Provided.

- Expand current partnership with Lewiston High School's Aspirations program.
- Meet with students every other month and leading field trips and other special community projects during school breaks

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- Engage and empower youth by giving them tools to become positively engaged in their community so they can make their voices heard on issues they care about.

**2. Implementation – Work Plan**

- Participants will complete the program for a minimum of 24 contact hours with Community Organizing Alliance staff including participation in trips and activities over the course of each semester.
- A total of 30 students will be engaged over the course of the school year.
- Each cohort will be co-facilitated by two Community Organizing Alliance staff.
- A stipend of \$75 per month will be provided to each student upon completion of the minimum expected hours each month for a total stipend opportunity of \$225 per student.

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

1. *How do they intend to increase population?*

The project proposes to expand its outreach to out-of-school hours based on feedback from teachers and students.

The program proposes to run two cohorts, one in the Fall of 2024 and one in the Spring of 2025.

These expanded offerings will be available to current program participants as well as BIPOC youth of all genders.

Current LEO programs have always had a waitlist for the last year.

Given the popularity of the program in the broader community, they anticipate each of these special sessions will be full.

2. What referral methods will they use?

The program proposes to leverage their relationship with the Aspirations Program at Lewiston High School for referrals as well as word of mouth from current participants.

3. Does this appear a successful strategy?

Yes, because the program is embedded within the Lewiston High School.

**Budget Questions:**

1. Do the costs of personnel seem reasonable? **Yes**
2. Does the cost account for the building out of the program? **Yes**
3. Are they asking for any equipment over \$5k? **No**
4. Do they have sustainability in the community they are serving? **Yes**



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**BIDDER NAME:** Elevate Nation

**DATE:** 04/24/2024

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*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- Elevate appears to be highly qualified based on its past work experiences with the Idaho Juvenile Justice Commission and the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, The Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Program.

*1. Subcontractors*

Joshua Wiesel: Subject matter expert in assisting college students excel in course. He created the 40-hour Service-Learning Site for the partnership between CWI and the Youth Committee. Josh will assist in the development of work deliverables and maintaining working relationships with educational institutions.

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*2. Organizational Chart*

The applicant did not provide an organizational chart.

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

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- Youth Speaks Newsletter: A platform for young individuals to articulate their experience and insights, fostering a community of shared knowledge and support.
- Elevate 360 Independent Living Curriculum: A comprehensive educational framework aimed at empowering youth with essential life skills and knowledge.
- Resource Handbook: A compilation of tools and services available for system impacted youth, aiding their reintegration and development.
- Internships: Tailored opportunities for returning students to gain practical experience and contribute meaningfully to community efforts.

2. Implementation – Work Plan

- Gather insights from Long Creek Correctional, reentry service providers, and the youth themselves to develop a targeted list of reintegration resources and skills. This foundational work will guide the curriculum development, ensuring its relevance and effectiveness. Partnering with academic institutions, we aim to immerse students in real-world problem-solving, fostering a deep understanding of the challenges faced by marginalized youth.

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

*1. How do they intend to increase population?*

This program appears to propose establishing a collaborative framework: develop and formalize a memorandum of understanding between Elevate 360 Maine and a partnering educational institution, establishing a service-learning partnership that supports the program goals. It is too early to answer this question for this program.

*2. What referral methods will they use?*

Not applicable

*3. Does this appear a successful strategy?*

Not applicable

**Budget Questions**

1. Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable? **Yes**
2. Does the cost account for building out their program? **Yes**
3. Are they asking for any equipment over \$5k? **No**
4. Do they have sustainability in the community they are serving? **Yes**

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**BIDDER NAME:** Ifka Community Services

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I. Organization Qualifications and Experience

- Mediator holds Restorative Justice Certification from Suffolk University
- Many years of experience at Restorative Justice Institute of Maine
- Traditional African mediation concepts

2. Subcontractors

- The applicant does not provide any subcontractors.
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3. Organizational Chart

Applicant has not provided an organizational chart.

II. Proposed Services

1. Services to be Provided.

- Healing circles tailored specifically for immigrant/BIPOC at risk youth from the immigrant and BIPOC community.
- Create an opportunity for the opportunity to come together to address harmful behavior through a process that explores harm, needs and a path towards accountability and repair.

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- Facilitate victim mediation sessions and family conferences with the goal of exploring the underlying causes of delinquency and fostering deep healing and understanding.

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2. Implementation – Work Plan

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This applicant proposes to work directly with individuals involved in restorative justice process facilitating mediation sessions and contributing to the advancement of restorative justice initiatives.

They propose to utilize community elder volunteers who integrate traditional African practices with restorative justice principles.

Provide mentorship to empower immigrant and BIPOC youth.

Empower youth to navigate their environment safely.

III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program

1. *How do they intend to increase population?*

Cultivate meaningful relationships, mediating conflicts and providing unwavering support to individuals facing high risk behaviors.

2. *What referral methods will they use?*

The applicant describes a lot of programs but does not describe a referral process.

3. *Does this appear a successful strategy?*

I am not sure

**Budget Questions:**

1. Do the costs of personnel seem reasonable? **Yes**
2. Does the cost account for building out their program? **Yes**
3. Are they asking for any equipment over \$5k? **No**
4. Do they have sustainability in the community they are serving? **yes**

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**BIDDER NAME:** Maine Inside Out

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I. Organization Qualifications and Experience

- Maine Inside out has demonstrated a long history of collaboration with community partners like Mountain View Correctional Facility in 2022, King Middle School in 2023
- Between January 2022 and June 2023, Maine Inside Out collaborated with Lewiston Middle School. Most of their participants share lived experience with the youth they are trying to assist.

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2. Subcontractors

- The applicant has not provided any subcontractors.

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3. Organizational Chart

The applicant has provided an organizational chart with this proposal.

II. Proposed Services

1. Services to be Provided.

- Expand Maine Inside Out theater programming with students at King Middle School. 6-12 7<sup>th</sup> graders will join returning 8<sup>th</sup> graders, with integrated age groups participating in weekly theater groups. (2days/week during school hours to create original plays

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culminating in fall and spring performances and community dialogues and meals.

- Maine Inside Out will host workshops and work closely with teachers and staff to prepare them to receive the student performances and support the community dialogue prompted by the artists.

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2. Implementation – Work Plan

- The theater team facilitates weekly workshops that create belonging among students and enable them to take the lead on sharing their personal experiences.
- Maine Inside Out uses a trauma informed approach and employs restorative practices for community healing and accountability, supporting students and teachers in using those practices as well.



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III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program

1. How do they intend to increase population?

Maine Inside out engages their alumni to facilitate workshops in the schools with these vulnerable youth. In so doing, they are both supporting the alumni artists and using art as an entry point to disrupt the school to prison pipeline.

2. What referral methods will they use?

Theater, workshops and community meals

3. Does this appear a successful strategy?

Yes

**Budget Questions**

1. Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable? **Yes**
2. Does the cost account for building out their program? **Yes**
3. Are they asking for any equipment over \$5k? **No**
4. Do they have sustainability in the community they are serving? **Yes**

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**BIDDER NAME:** Midcoast Youth Center & Skatepark

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*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- This applicant is well qualified as they are based in the community they propose to serve.
- They have experience working on initiatives with another regional entity-The Boston Federal Reserve
- There is a demonstrated ability in working with other local entities.
- There appears to be a long-term commitment to the community (10 years)

*2. Subcontractors*

- The applicant has listed OUT Maine as a subcontractor, which is most appropriate given the intended project goal and demographic.
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*3. Organizational Chart*

- The applicant has provided an organizational chart.

*4. Etc.*

- The applicant has also provided profiles of major stakeholders.

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

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- Meet basic needs such as providing daily meals, take-home food, clothing, and toiletries.
- After school programs like workforce development.
- Wraparound care and case management.
- Provide support for dental care, medical appointments and transportation.

**2. Implementation – Work Plan**

- 1-2 hour weekly meetings.
- Meetings will alternate weekly between focused LGBTQ+ lessons/activities and social hours for student-led discussions, support, and relationship building.
- Bi-monthly field trips to LGBTQ+ events exploring specific areas of interest determined by Maine Youth Center's LGBTQ+ program youth.
- Involvement in the 2024 Bath Pride Planning Committee to design and execute the second annual Bath Pride event.
- Incorporate evidence-based Clover model of Youth Development into planning and implementation of program.
- PEAR Holistic Student Assessment for 10 students used to assess social-emotional development.
- The program will use this data to assess efficacy of program and in what ways they can promote and leverage individual strengths in belonging, assertiveness, active engagement and reflection.

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

*1. How do they intend to increase population?*

While there is no clearly outlined method of increasing marginalized population in the program, the target population for this proposal is a very highly marginalized population. The entire demographic served by this population is marginalized.

*2. What referral methods will they use?*

By virtue of its existence and partnership with the Morse High School and OUT Maine, the referrals would be very easy to make.

*3. Does this appear a successful strategy?*

Yes.

**Budget Questions**

1. Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable? **Yes**
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3. Are they asking for any equipment over \$5k? **No**
4. Do they have sustainability in the community they are serving? **Yes**

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I. Organization Qualifications and Experience

- The applicant references past experience but does not describe any of the past experiences.

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2. Subcontractors

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3. Organizational Chart

The applicant has provided an organizational chart.

4. Etc.

II. Proposed Services

1. Services to be Provided.

- Increase training for our Restorative Facilitator and members.
- Explore more resources, research, and create literature to inform others of our program. This will include the goals and successes.
- Support transportation for victims, offenders, and community members participating in the restorative process.

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- Support those that are overseeing restorative participants completing community service.

2. Implementation – Work Plan

- Convene pre-circle group, which will involve the individuals involved, speaking to the parent(s) of juveniles and pre-circle meeting.
- Facilitation of circles, setting up community service and transportation.
- Follow up meetings with participants as needed.

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**III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program**

**1. How do they intend to increase population?**

The applicant does not provide strategies or steps to be taken to increase marginalized populations in the proposed project.

**2. What referral methods will they use?**

The applicant proposes to develop promotional materials to disseminate to other police Departments and communities.

**3. Does this appear a successful strategy?**

Possibly.

**Budget Questions**

1. Do the costs of personnel seem reasonable? **Yes**
2. Does the cost account for building out their program? **Yes**
3. Are they asking for any equipment over \$5k? **No**
4. Do they have sustainability in the community they are serving? **Yes**

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I. Organization Qualifications and Experience

- Out Maine was created in 1996. It has gone from a volunteer run organization to one that has a dedicated staff of nine. This extensive history demonstrates a deep understanding of the needs and challenges faced by LGBTQ + youth in Maine.
- Beginning in 2010, OUT Maine embarked on a capacity building and strategic planning process to expand services to address the challenges faced by rural LGBTQ+ youth.
- Statewide reach: OUT Maine's programs are now offered statewide.

2. Subcontractors

- The applicant did not provide any subcontractors.

3. Organizational Chart

This applicant has provided an organizational chart.

II. Proposed Services

1. Services to be Provided.

- Weekly group sessions
- Therapeutic activities



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- Family involvement
- Access to mental health services
- 2. Implementation – Work Plan
  - Peer Support
  - Skill building workshops
  - Family involvement

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III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program

1. How do they intend to increase population?

This program has embarked on expansion of its services to include rural areas of Maine. Although the program originated in Rockland, its services are now statewide.

2. What referral methods will they use?

This applicant has demonstrated a broad outreach to many organizations like the tobacco session program at Maine Medical Center.

3. Does this appear a successful strategy?

Yes

**Budget Questions**

1. Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable? **Yes**
2. Does the cost account for building out their program? **Yes**
3. Are they asking for any equipment over \$5k? **No**
4. Do they have sustainability in the community they are serving? **Yes**

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- The applicant has previously partnered with Women's Re-entry Center and the Maine Health Access Foundation.
- Currently partnering with Youth-Led Justice to bring restorative dialogues to youth in person once a month.
- The purpose is to increase a sense of belonging and self-esteem among youth participants.

2. Subcontractors

- The applicant has not listed any subcontractors.
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3. Organizational Chart

The applicant has provided an organizational chart. It appears to be a two-person run operation.

4. Etc.

II. Proposed Services

1. Services to be Provided.

- Weekly after-school arts and cultural enrichment program for BIPOC/immigrant/refugee youth ages 13-18 in the greater Portland area.

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- Provide leadership development and community -building activities designed to foster social-emotional skills, build positive peer relations, and strengthen connections to their cultural heritage.
- Mentoring and additional enrichment activities enabling them to form meaningful relationships with caring adults and expand their horizons.

2. Implementation – Work Plan

- Participants will meet once a week for two-hour sessions over a twelve-week period.
- Participants will engage in culturally relevant visual and performing arts activities such as loom weaving, drawing, painting, dance and movement.

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III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program

1. How do they intend to increase population?
2. What referral methods will they use?
3. Does this appear a successful strategy?

**Budget Questions**

1. Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable? **Yes**
2. Does the cost account for building out their program? **Yes**
3. Are they asking for any equipment over \$5k? **No**
4. Do they have sustainability in the community they serve? **Yes**

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**RFP TITLE:** Supporting Community-Based Organizations Working Within Marginalized Communities

**BIDDER NAME:** Restorative Justice Project Maine

**DATE:** 4/25/2024

**EVALUATOR NAME:** Luc Nya

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*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- Restorative Justice Project of Maine has been working with Maine Immigrant and Refugee Services (MIERS) and other Somali individuals to develop culturally appropriate practice in Restorative Justice.
- The applicant has also demonstrated federal experience as evidenced in its work with the U. S. Department of Justice
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*2. Subcontractors*

- The applicant has not listed any subcontractors.
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*3. Organizational Chart*

The applicant has provided an organizational chart.

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- The applicant proposes to support refugee and immigrant families within the Lewiston School System.
- Provide youth with an opportunity to express their frustrations about race-based discipline from the school system and parents who do not understand the school system or the American culture.

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2. *Implementation – Work Plan*

- Train and support culturally competent facilitators from the Somali community to run restorative circles.

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

1. *How do they intend to increase population?*  
Recruit and train Somali speaking facilitators.
  
2. *What referral methods will they use?*  
Through their partnership with Maine Immigrant and Refugee Services and other Ethnic Community Based Organizations.
  
3. *Does this appear a successful strategy?*  
Yes

**Budget Questions**

1. Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable? **Yes**
2. Does the cost account for building out their program? **Yes**
3. Are they asking for any equipment over \$5k? **No**
4. Do they have sustainability in the community they are serving? **Yes**



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**RFP #:** 202402022

**RFP TITLE:** Supporting Community-Based Organizations Working Within Marginalized Communities

**BIDDER NAME:** Smooth Feather

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I. Organization Qualifications and Experience

- Silas Hagerty is an award-winning film maker with over 20 years' experience.
- Some of his work include "Dakota 38" As We Are and True reflection and Silently United.
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2. Subcontractors

- The applicant has not provided a list of subcontractors.
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3. Organizational Chart

The applicant has provided an organizational chart.

II. Proposed Services

1. Services to be Provided.

- Meetings with youth Tuesdays and Thursday for three hours after school
- Film workshops 3-4 days throughout the year.
- Provide education on script writing, pre-production, location scouting, film production, editing and film scoring.

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- Films are written and directed by youth and later screened in the community theater.

2. Implementation – Work Plan

- Ask you to complete a survey that asks them to reflect on questions centered on empowerment before involvement in Smooth Feather.
- Recruit and retain youth longtime and new youth.
- Smooth feather partners with Sacopee Valley High School
- They also partner with the five towns that make up the School Administrative District 53: Porter, Baldwin, Parsonsfield, Hiram and Cornish.

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

*1. How do they intend to increase population?*

They host weekly community circles at the theater.

*2. What referral methods will they use?*

Partnership with SAD 53, word of mouth and community partnerships.

*3. Does this appear a successful strategy?*

Yes.

**Budget Questions**

1. Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable? **Yes**
2. Does the cost account for building out their program? **Yes**
3. Are they asking for any equipment over \$5k? **No**
4. Do they have sustainability in the community they are serving? **Yes**

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**RFP #:** 202402022

**RFP TITLE:** Supporting Community-Based Organizations Working Within Marginalized Communities

**BIDDER NAME:** Sustainable Livelihoods Relief Organization

**DATE:** 4/25/2024

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I. Organization Qualifications and Experience

- The applicant is based in the community they are proposing to serve.
  - The applicant has not listed any subcontractors.
  - The team is composed of individuals with lived experience as former refugees with extensive experience in social work.
  - The applicant has bilingual and bicultural workers.
2. Subcontractors
3. Organizational Chart
- The applicant has provided an organizational chart

II. Proposed Services

1. Services to be Provided.

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- Provide essential life skills.
- Nutritional empowerment
- Cultural preferences and individual dietary requirements
- Sustainable agriculture
- Understanding of food origins

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2. Implementation – Work Plan

- Attend school meetings in the instance of exclusion and other school related meetings.
- Document proceedings.
- Refer families to KIDS Legal
- Filing requests for students' educational records, special education documents
- Communicating parents/caregivers and student requests for meetings with teachers

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**III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program**

1. How do they intend to increase population?  
Solicit applications through existing AIEP participants online and through word of mouth.  
Consult with Kids Legal attorneys and paralegal.  
Provide laptops on as needed basis.
  
2. What referral methods will they use?  
Collaborating with the school system and other social service agencies.
  
3. Does this appear a successful strategy?  
Yes.

**Budget Questions**

1. Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable? **Yes**
2. Does the cost account for building out their program? **Yes**
3. Are they asking for any equipment over \$5k? **No**
4. Do they have sustainability in the community they are serving? **Yes**

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**RFP #:** 202402022

**RFP TITLE:** Supporting Community-Based Organizations Working Within Marginalized Communities

**BIDDER NAME:** United Youth Empowered

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I. Organization Qualifications and Experience

- The applicant has demonstrated ability to provide youth with skills in script writing, and film making.
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2. Subcontractors

- The applicant has not listed any subcontractors.
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3. Organizational Chart

The applicant has provided an organizational chart.

4. Etc.

II. Proposed Services

1. Services to be Provided.

- The applicant proposes to acquire financial support for a part time multilingual and multicultural staff person who will assist in the program implementation.
- Work to combat gang activities in Lewiston area.
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2. Implementation – Work Plan

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3. Organize monthly community forums geared towards caregivers of youth impacted by repeated exclusion from school.
  - Conduct weekly art and environmentally themed field trips



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III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program

1. How do they intend to increase population?  
By virtue of the fact that the applicant's primary base for services the refugee and immigrant population will serve to increase the population.
2. What referral methods will they use?  
  
Word of mouth
3. Does this appear a successful strategy?  
Perhaps

**Budget Questions**

1. Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable? **Yes**
2. Does the cost account for building out their program? **Yes**
3. Are they asking for any equipment over \$5k? **No**
4. Do they have sustainability pin the community they are serving? **Yes**

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**RFP #:** 202402022

**RFP TITLE:** Supporting Community-Based Organizations Working Within Marginalized Communities

**BIDDER NAME:** Community Organizing Alliance

**DATE:** 04/23/2024

**EVALUATOR NAME:** Renee Bernard

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- 3 previous projects – with great results
- Exec Director/Facilitator – lived experiences
- Within the community they serve

*2. Subcontractors*

- No subcontractors listed

*3. Organizational Chart – no chart but organization was explained*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- To expand program by making it available outside of the school day
- Target black, male students for civic engagement & social justice programming
- Two cohorts - fall & spring.
- 30 students to participate

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- Participants will meet for 8 -12 hours per month, on alternating months. For a total of three months.
- Participants will receive a stipend for each month they participate.
- Experiential learning opportunity at completion of the program – visit to the State House in Augusta.

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

1. *How do they intend to increase population?*  
*The current program serves 12 – 15 people. The expanded program will serve 30 people.*
2. *What referral methods will they use?*  
*The students will be referred by Lewiston H.S.'s Aspirations Coordinator, Kate Chase.*
3. *Does this appear a successful strategy?*  
*Yes. They have already been doing the work on smaller scale, which has resulted in a waiting list.*

*IV. Budget:*

*Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?*

*Yes*

*Does the cost account for building out their program?*

*Only in adding 30 more participants for this venture. No other building plans noted.*

*Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?*

*No*

*Do they have sustainability in the community they serve in?*

*Yes – they already have a program. This grant is an extension of what they already offer in the community.*

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**BIDDER NAME:** Elevate Nation

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- *The Idaho project – Elevate Nation LLC is a successful program*
- *Sam Moore – Founder/Owner – has lived experiences*

*2. Subcontractors*

- *Joshua Wiesel*

*3. Organizational Chart – Did not locate one*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- *Target system-impacted youth in Maine to enhance life skills, educational success, and community integration.*
- *Partner with JJAG and educational institution*
- *Create a Memorandum of Understanding*

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- *Very detailed work plan outlining year one – broken down by month.*
- *Work with youth from Long Creek & members of the LGBTQ+ community*
- *Youth Speaks Newsletter*
- *Elevate 360 independent living curriculum*
- *Resource handbook*
- *Internships*

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

1. *How do they intend to increase population?*  
*Currently no program like this in Maine*
2. *What referral methods will they use?*  
*Youth who are system impacted – Long Creek*
3. *Does this appear a successful strategy?*  
*It appears to be successful in Idaho.*

*IV. Budget*

*Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?*

*Yes*

*Does the cost account for building out their program?*

*No*

*Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?*

*No*

*Do they have sustainability in the community they serve in?*

*This is a well-established program in another state. The plan involves looking at long term funding and collaboration with other state agencies and local entities.*

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- *Three successful and detailed projects*
- *Within the community being served*
- *Lived experiences – cultural broker & mental health professional*
- *Restorative justice coordinator*

*2. Subcontractors*

- *Empowered Immigrant Women Unite*
- *Maine Community Integration*

*3. Organizational Chart – Yes – color, flow chart style*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- *Delinquency prevention – after school arts program*
- *Alternatives to juvenile justice involvement – community based restorative justice programs, education, and internship.*
- *Positive youth development*

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- *Outreach strategies, remote services, advanced training for staff, formational sessions & data collection.*

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

- 1. How do they intend to increase population?  
Establish new community partnerships*
- 2. What referral methods will they use?  
They are looking for referrals from a wider range of local organizations*
- 3. Does this appear a successful strategy?  
Yes. The initial three projects seem successful based on their strategy.*

*IV. Budget:*

*Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?*

*Yes*

*Does the cost account for building out their program?*

*No*

*Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?*

*No*

*Do they have sustainability in the community they serve in?*

*Yes. They are an already established community based program.*

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**BIDDER NAME:** Maine Inside Out

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- *Positive work done with several community partners*
- *Groups of population are small*
- *Part of the community they are serving*

*2. Subcontractors*

- *None*

*3. Organizational Chart – Yes*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- *Expansion of current program. Add new, younger students*
- *Support and utilize alumni of the program*

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- *To continue working with the same students each year to build long-term relationships and support students through middle and high school, expanding each year by adding new younger students to the middle school groups.*



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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

*1. How do they intend to increase population?*

*The program is based on data and need in the community. They will increase their numbers each year with new students referred.*

*2. What referral methods will they use?*

*They will use film/arts for students to find/use their voice to share lived experiences. Will also be able to work on the Price project for summer 2024.*

*3. Does this appear a successful strategy?*

*Yes. Already a long history of programming using film to tell stories of system impacted youth.*

*IV. Budget*

*Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?*

*No*

*Does the cost account for building out their program?*

*No*

*Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?*

*No*

*Do they have sustainability in the community they serve in?*

*They already are a part of the community. This grant would allow them to utilize alumni in expanding the program – which serves both the alumni and future/new participants.*

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**RFP #:** 202402022

**RFP TITLE:** Supporting Community-Based Organizations Working Within Marginalized Communities

**BIDDER NAME:** Midcoast Youth Center & Skatepark

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- *Launched 2016 – skate park, 2020 – Youth center & housing grant Spring 2023*
- *Great progress considering the time frame*

*2. Subcontractors*

- *OUT Maine – Katie Lutts, Associate Director*

*3. Organizational Chart – Yes – flow chart style*

*4. Awesome – “meet the team” – pictures & bios*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- *LGBTQ+ demographic – previously were served & then it ended*
- *Youth center serves 650 youth currently*
- *Student led – social connection*

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- *Weekly meetings, alternating between a meeting and an activity. One – two hours/week.*

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

1. *How do they intend to increase population?*  
*The current Youth Center serves 650 youth. This will look to include LGBTQ+ youth who might not have been served previously.*
2. *What referral methods will they use?*  
*Existing GSTA group and guidance counselors. Will contract with OUT Maine.*
3. *Does this appear a successful strategy?*  
*Yes. History of previous program show a need. This will provide youth with a voice and an opportunity to work on the 2024 Pride project.*

*IV. Budget*

*Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?*

*Yes*

*Does the cost account for building out their program?*

*This grant allows them to grow a program that is currently in place.*

*Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?*

*No*

*Do they have sustainability in the community they serve in?*

*Yes. This program has been successfully serving the program for years.*

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**RFP #:** 202402022

**RFP TITLE:** Supporting Community-Based Organizations Working Within Marginalized Communities

**BIDDER NAME:** Old Orchard Beach Police Department

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- LEO & some RJ experience with system involved youth
- Social svc w/ MH experience & credentials
- No real projects cited\*

*2. Subcontractors*

- The Juvenile Community Review Board

*3. Organizational Chart – Yes – parties in list/narrative format*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- Increase training for the RJ facilitator & community members
- Explore more resources, research & create literature
- Provide participants with transportation
- Support those who are overseeing restorative participants completing community service

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- The bulk of the funding supports the work of the facilitator to run circles and see the involved parties through the process.

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

*1. How do they intend to increase population?*

Not clearly stated how many people are currently served, or how many this funding opportunity will support.

*2. What referral methods will they use?*

Cases will be deferred through the police department to the Sergeant, who will then decide if the case will be sent to Social Service Navigator and RJ facilitator.

*3. Does this appear a successful strategy?*

The application states that OOB PD has been doing this for 11 years. No statistics are offered to show things like recidivism, etc.

*IV. Budget*

*Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?*

Yes

*Does the cost account for building out their program?*

Yes – they will be training a new facilitator

*Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?*

No

*Do they have sustainability in the community they serve in?*

Yes – This program has been in place for years.

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- Three strong projects offered – founded in 1996
- Statewide reach
- Specialized projects to include work with members of the LGBTQ+ community and also with community partners who are in tobacco coalition support roles and the CDC.

*2. Subcontractors*

- None listed

*3. Organizational Chart – Yes – colored flow chart*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- Weekly group sessions
- Therapeutic activities
- Family involvement

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- To transform the narrative surrounding mental health services for LGBTQ+ youth, offer a beacon of hope and affirmation to marginalized individuals facing bullying, oppression, and a lack of safety.

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

*1. How do they intend to increase population?*

The group currently serves 700 youth through weekly support groups. This funding will allow them to include at least 125 youth who are waiting to participate.

*2. What referral methods will they use?*

The referral process was not clearly described. They are already serving youth so they may be relying on being a current resource – word of mouth, etc.

*3. Does this appear a successful strategy?*

Yes. The organization is already addressing a marginalized group and further funding will allow them to serve a greater population.

*IV. Budget:*

Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?

Yes

Does the cost account for building out their program?

Yes – the funds will allow them to grow their program

Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?

No

Do they have sustainability in the community they serve in?

Yes! They serve a population in need of specialized services.

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- Three projects that target marginalized groups
- Working in collaboration with community partners – Youth Led Justice, ex.

*2. Subcontractors*

- None listed

*3. Organizational Chart – Yes – listed in the box provided*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- After-school arts and cultural enrichment program – Portland area
- Target BIPOC & immigrant/refugee youth (13-18yo)
- Meeting 1x/week for 2 hours. Twelve-week session.

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- The goal is to work with 20 youth, after school. The program will be measured by utilizing pre/post surveys, attendance rates, and parent feedback.



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**EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT:** Corrections / Juvenile Justice Advisory Group

*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

*1. How do they intend to increase population?*

Unknown how many people are being served.  
It will increase by at least 20 participants.

*2. What referral methods will they use?*

Will seek participants by reaching out to local schools, immigrant serving organizations & faith institutions.

*3. Does this appear a successful strategy?*

Unsure. It appears to be a lot of funding for a 12 week program for 20 youth.

*IV. Budget:*

Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?

Yes

Does the cost account for building out the program?

Yes – this will expand a program already in place

Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?

No

Do they have sustainability in the community they serve in?

Yes – they already have programming in the community.

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- Three projects – one w/ Maay Maay speaker which is new this year.
- Second project – videos – provided by funding through Nellie Mae Foundation.
- Listening circles – topics of safety, belonging & conflict – 7 circles w/over 50 youth

*2. Subcontractors*

- None listed

*3. Organizational Chart - Yes*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- Offer multilingual, culturally-responsive restorative practice curriculum development
- Advanced training for community members
- Circle of Care facilitation
- Offer a train-the-trainer to Maay Maay & Somali speaking consultants.
- Translate current curriculum handbook into graphics and language appropriate for Maay Maay and Somali speakers.

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- To assist families in the Lewiston school district with support and resources for suspension & expulsion hearings

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**EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT:** Corrections / Juvenile Justice Advisory Group

*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

*1. How do they intend to increase population?*

*They believe they can reach 25% more youth & families*

*2. What referral methods will they use?*

Not clearly stated what the referral process will be.

They are clearly working with a number of community partners.

*3. Does this appear a successful strategy?*

Yes. There appears to be a need and they are collaborating with important community leaders.

**IV. Budget**

Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?

Yes

Does the cost account for building out their program?

Yes – this allows them to do more in the Lewiston community

Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?

No

Do they have sustainability in the community they serve in?

Yes

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**RFP #:** 202402022

**RFP TITLE:** Supporting Community-Based Organizations Working Within Marginalized Communities

**BIDDER NAME:** Smooth Feather

**DATE:** 04/24/2024

**EVALUATOR NAME:** Renee Bernard

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- Previous film projects were discussed.
- One film was created using a \$5K grant from JJAG
- Programs are rooted in supporting youth through all the challenges they face.

*2. Subcontractors*

- None listed

*3. Organizational Chart – Yes*

*4. Photos included of some of the films that have been made.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- Similar services that are being offered now
- Money applied for will provide half of a salary for Executive Director

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- Youth will complete a survey and participate in a circle. Faculty will provide a written account to reflect on each student's growth.
- There are over 150 partnerships who help to fund the work.

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

*1. How do they intend to increase population?*

The goal is to increase new students by 20% with an average of 10 students were quarter.

*2. What referral methods will they use?*

Smooth Feather works with all five schools in SADD 55.

*3. Does this appear a successful strategy?*

Yes. The work is already being done by the Executive Director (unpaid).  
An increase in enrollment is a success.

*IV. Budget:*

Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?

Yes

Does the cost account for building out their program?

Unknown– the funds would provide salary for an already existing position (currently unpaid).

Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?

No

Do they have sustainability in the community they serve in?

They have a presence in the community and have shown positive contributions.

It appears they need funds in order to continue their work.

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**RFP #:** 202402022

**RFP TITLE:** Supporting Community-Based Organizations Working Within Marginalized Communities

**BIDDER NAME:** Sustainable Livelihoods Relief Organization

**DATE:** 4/25/2024

**EVALUATOR NAME:** Renee Bernard

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- Food co-op
- Youth sustainable development program
- Food education & nutrition workshops

*2. Subcontractors*

- None listed

*3. Organizational Chart - Yes*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- Increase number of cultural brokers, interpreters, and translators
- Provide culturally and linguistically responsive advocacy to parents/caregivers and their students.
- Assist in documenting, advocating, translating, and culturally brokering trainings in the primary languages of families.

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- Contract with Kids Legal for a train-the-trainer program.

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

*1. How do they intend to increase population?*

Train 10 new people

*2. What referral methods will they use?*

Solicit applications through existing AIEP participants, online, and by word-of-mouth.

*3. Does this appear a successful strategy?*

Yes. The organization is embedded in the community it is looking to serve. Training 10 people to go out and do the work would make a big impact.

*IV. Budget*

Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?

Yes

Does the cost account for building out their program?

Yes – this will provide up to 10 participants who will be trained as advocates.

Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?

No

Do they have sustainability in the community they serve in?

Yes – collaboration with other local community partners.

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**RFP #:** 202402022

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**BIDDER NAME:** United Youth Empowered

**DATE:** 4/26/2024

**EVALUATOR NAME:** Renee Bernard

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- Film project – Lewiston HS soccer team & head coach
- Soccer tournament – June – August 2023
- Training for youth (11 – 18) on media literacy and production

*2. Subcontractors*

- None listed

*3. Organizational Chart - Yes*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- \*\*Collaborating with other grant applicant?
- Field trips with Circle of Care youth
- Work with Kids Legal and SLRO as cultural broker
- Work with RJP as a cultural broker
- Serve as a member of the RPAAG's executive planning team

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- Hold community forums to focus on how caregivers can prevent and/or respond to their children's involvement in our vulnerability to gang activity and violence.
- Weekly field trips will offer respite to youth impacted by this violence.



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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

*1. How do they intend to increase population?*

Specific numbers did not appear to be discussed.

*2. What referral methods will they use?*

Kids Legal and Circle of Care initiative

*3. Does this appear a successful strategy?*

The services are being provided in a community that has a need.

*IV. Budget:*

Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?

No

Does the cost account for building out their program?

Yes – if considering the funds will be used to pay the salary for a PT position

Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?

No

Do they have sustainability in the community they serve in?

Yes – in partnering with other local coalitions.

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**RFP TITLE:** Supporting Community-Based Organizations Working Within Marginalized Communities

**BIDDER NAME:** Community Organizing Alliance

**DATE:** 4/26/2024

**EVALUATOR NAME:** Tanya Pierson

**EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT:** Corrections / Juvenile Justice Advisory Group

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- *Lived Experience*
- *Current program in place*
- *Previous "LEO" programming*

*1. Subcontractors*

- *None listed*

*2. Organizational Chart*

*3. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- *After-school outreach/programming*
- *Field trips and special community projects*
- *Mentorship*
- *Community engagement/civic and social justice*
- *Elevate youth voice*
- *Provide stipends to participants*

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2. *Implementation – Work Plan*
  - *15 students per cohort*
  - *Two staff*

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

1. *How do they intend to increase population?*  
-Focus on black male students  
-30 students over the school year.
  
2. *What referral methods will they use?*  
-Community/partnerships  
-Schools: identified at risk youth  
-Wait list
  
3. *Does this appear a successful strategy?*  
Yes – there appears to be a great demand for additional services!

*IV. Budget*

1. *Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?*  
Yes.
  
2. *Does the cost account for building out their program?*  
Yes.
  
3. *Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?*  
No.
  
4. *Do they have sustainability in the community they serve?*  
Yes.

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**BIDDER NAME:** Elevate Nation

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*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- Lived Experience
- Implemented previous program in Idaho
- Served as a consultant

*2. Subcontractors*

- Joshua Wiesel
- Developed Service Learning Site

*3. Organizational Chart*

-None provided

*4. Etc.*

-Similar to a planning grant

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- Development of an on-line program/website to assist with re-entry into the community from the JJ system
- Partnership with a local college

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*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- Develop collaborative framework
- Develop partnership with local college
- Develop partnerships with DOC/OCFS/college
- Identify available resources statewide
- Develop program website

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

1. *How do they intend to increase population?*
  - This grant would cover the implementation phase
  - Phases would be developed and rolled out over time
  - Ultimately providing a “program” not in existence before!
2. *What referral methods will they use?*
  - Would be developed in later phase.
3. *Does this appear a successful strategy?*
  - Yes.

*IV. Budget*

1. *Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?*

Program director seems extremely reasonable, Community Outreach Coordinator also reasonable. Unclear on data analysis and expert consultation.
2. *Does the cost account for building out their program?*

Yes – phase one of multi-step process.
3. *Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?*

No.
4. *Do they have sustainability in the community they serve?*

Yes, as program is built out.

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**BIDDER NAME:** Ifka Community Services

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*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- Currently working with immigrant and BIPOC community
- Leading Healing Circles and other RJ practices
- Mentorship

*2. Subcontractors*

- Choukri Mahamoud
- Fowsie Musse

*3. Organizational Chart*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- Assessments to develop personized plan
- Delinquency prevention
- Alternatives to JJ system
- Positive youth development
- Cultural brokerage



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*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- Increase resources to be able to accommodate a higher volume of participants
- More detail with services and work plan would be helpful

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

1. *How do they intend to increase population?*
  - Initiative focuses on immigrant and BIPOC at-risk youth
  - Increasing the number “slots” available
2. *What referral methods will they use?*
  - Unclear, but there is a waiting list
3. *Does this appear a successful strategy?*
  - Probably since there is a waiting list.

*IV. Budget*

1. *Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?*

Yes for personnel costs  
Contracted services???
2. *Does the cost account for building out their program?*

\$ would be used to expand number of current slots. Unclear how this will be sustained once the grant \$ is utilized.
3. *Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?*

No.
4. *Do they have sustainability in the community they serve?*

Yes.

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- Extensive – MIO has been running successful programming for a lengthy period of time
- Multiple projects in Portland and Lewiston Schools and Long Creek
- Lived experience!

*2. Subcontractors*

- None listed

*3. Organizational Chart*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- Working with students to create and perform original plays based on their lived experiences
- Involvement of the community
- Helping students express their visions for social change
- Hosting workshops and family nights
- Fall and Spring performances, community dialogs and meals

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*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- Following existing 7<sup>th</sup> graders as they transition to 8<sup>th</sup> grade
- Adding 6-12 new 7<sup>th</sup> graders
- Hire MIO alumni to work with students

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**EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT:** Corrections / Juvenile Justice Advisory Group

*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

1. *How do they intend to increase population?*  
-Expanding program to 6-12 new 7<sup>th</sup> graders
2. *What referral methods will they use?*  
-Uncertain, but presumably the school and word-of-mouth.
3. *Does this appear a successful strategy?*  
-Possibly. Hard to evaluate because not described.

*IV. Budget*

1. *Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?*  
Yes (except it would be helpful to lay out details about hourly wages, expected work hours, etc.)
2. *Does the cost account for building out their program?*  
Unclear how expanded program will be sustained once grant money has been utilized.
3. *Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?*  
No.
4. *Do they have sustainability in the community they serve?*  
Yes.

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INDIVIDUAL EVALUATION NOTES**

**RFP #:** 202402022

**RFP TITLE:** Supporting Community-Based Organizations Working Within Marginalized Communities

**BIDDER NAME:** Midcoast Youth Center & Skatepark

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- Existing program that has been built from the ground up in 5 years
- Extensive experience working with at-risk youth
- Incredibly impressive array of services being offered through the Center

*2. Subcontractors*

- OUT Maine

*3. Organizational Chart*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- Comprehensive supports for LGBTQ+
- Bi-monthly field trip
- Transportation services to get to the program
- Activities in the community focused on LGBTQ+ interests
- Access to further mental health services
- Safe space for LGBTQ+ youth

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

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- 1-2 hour weekly meetings
- “PEAR” Holistic Student Assessment

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

*1. How do they intend to increase population?*

By serving the LGBTQ+ community, which has not been served in this capacity!

*2. What referral methods will they use?*

Schools, community partners, Midcoast Youth Center

*3. Does this appear a successful strategy?*

YES!

*IV. Budget*

*1. Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?*

Yes.

*2. Does the cost account for building out their program?*

Yes – contracted services will help design/build the program

*3. Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?*

No.

*4. Do they have sustainability in the community they serve?*

Yes.



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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- Applicant has past experience
- MHRT/CSP certification

*2. Subcontractors*

- Past experience running JCRB

*3. Organizational Chart*

*4. Etc.*

-Excellent court diversion program!

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- Increase Training for Facilitator
- Explore more resources, research and create literature
- Transportation for participants
- Support for those overseeing CSW

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- Increase hours for facilitator

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

1. *How do they intend to increase population?*  
*Expanded programming for more youth.*
2. *What referral methods will they use?*  
More literature?  
Unclear where more referrals will be coming from (current channels?).
3. *Does this appear a successful strategy?*  
The JCRB seems to have strong ties in the community, but application does not describe this further.

*IV. Budget*

1. *Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?*  
Yes.
2. *Does the cost account for building out their program?*  
Yes. Conducting more trainings to build out the program and open up more opportunities for youth to participate.
3. *Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?*  
No.
4. *Do they have sustainability in the community they serve?*  
Yes!

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- Founded in 1996
- Extensive experience supporting LGBTQ+ youth
- Expansion to rural populations and statewide
- Deep understanding of challenges faced by LGBTQ+ youth

*2. Subcontractors*

- None

*3. Organizational Chart*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- Access to mental health services - weekly sessions
- Therapeutic Activities
- Promoting Resilience and coping skills
- Safe space for LGBTQ+ youth

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- Expand work hours for existing program staff

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

1. *How do they intend to increase population?*  
Increase availability of existing providers to serve more clients  
Providing on-going training and support for other agencies/programs/schools
2. *What referral methods will they use?*  
Serving the large number of youth who remain on the wait list.  
Well known organization due to groundwork done statewide by the organization.
3. *Does this appear a successful strategy?*  
Yes!

*IV. Budget*

1. *Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?*  
Yes. (Would be helpful to outline hourly rate and hours to be worked).
2. *Does the cost account for building out their program?*  
Yes.
3. *Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?*  
No.
4. *Do they have sustainability in the community they serve?*  
Yes.

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**RFP #:** 202402022

**RFP TITLE:** Supporting Community-Based Organizations Working Within Marginalized Communities

**BIDDER NAME:** Restorative Justice Institute of Maine

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- Ran book group at Women's re-entry center
- Restorative Justice partnership working with youth
- Community restorative dialogues

*2. Subcontractors*

- None listed, however there will be collaboration with local artists and cultural leaders

*3. Organizational Chart*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- Two hour weekly meetings over twelve weeks
- Art programming!
- Additional enrichment opportunities
- Mentorship

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- Extensive planning/preparation for program

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

*1. How do they intend to increase population?*

By providing a safe and inclusive space for BIPOC and immigrant/refugee youth to explore their identities, learn about and share cultures, develop a sense of community.

*2. What referral methods will they use?*

Unclear – schools? Community partners?

*3. Does this appear a successful strategy?*

Yes! Unique offering!

*IV. Budget*

*1. Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?*

Personnel costs are not laid out – hourly rates and benefits not included. Transportation costs seem high, particularly for current personnel? Contracted services is vague. Technology access seems high given that the program will be run in a school. Food cannot be covered as part of the grant.

*2. Does the cost account for building out their program?*

This would be a new program – but unclear how the program would be sustained after the grant money is utilized.

*3. Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?*

No.

*4. Do they have sustainability in the community they serve?*

Yes.

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- *Experience working with immigrant community and restorative justice practices*
- *Creation of video series*
- *Circles of Care for Immigrant youth*

*2. Subcontractors*

- *None listed, but partnering with MEIRS, RPAAG, United YES and Kids Legal*

*3. Organizational Chart*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- *Lingual Liaison*
- *Support and translation for immigrant youth and their family members navigating the Lewiston School system*
- *Language-based civil-rights advocacy*
- *Restorative practices and education*

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*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- *Partnering with the three entities listed above.*
- *Applicant needed to provide more detail about their work plan.*



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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

1. *How do they intend to increase population?*  
By providing supportive and advocacy services for immigrant youth at risk of suspension or expulsion.
2. *What referral methods will they use?*  
Unclear but presumably the school system and extensive community partners.
3. *Does this appear a successful strategy?*  
Yes!

*IV. Budget*

1. *Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?*  
Yes.
2. *Does the cost account for building out their program?*  
Yes.
3. *Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?*  
No.
4. *Do they have sustainability in the community they serve?*  
Yes.

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**BIDDER NAME:** Smooth Feather

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- Extensive filmmaking experience
- Lengthy experience working with youth, building empowerment and inspiring passion through the filmmaking process
- Extensive experience engaging the community with the program

*2. Subcontractors*

- None

*3. Organizational Chart*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- Executive director
- Films written and directed and created by youth
- Community engagement

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- Already established

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

1. *How do they intend to increase population?*  
20% increase with new student participation.  
(economically depressed, high SUD and overdose, LGBTQ+)
2. *What referral methods will they use?*  
Sacopec Valley High School, other schools in the area, community members.
3. *Does this appear a successful strategy?*  
Yes!

*IV. Budget*

1. *Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?*  
Yes.
2. *Does the cost account for building out their program?*  
Yes. Long-term funding to be sought through other funding mechanisms.
3. *Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?*  
No.
4. *Do they have sustainability in the community they serve?*  
Yes!

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- Supporting workforce development, legal education and mental health support for immigrant community, particularly with East African women and youth
- Providing immigrant youth with essential life and professional skills through "Youth Sustainable Development program"

*2. Subcontractors*

- None listed

*3. Organizational Chart*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- Build out Restorative Justice Community trainers, Circle leaders and Civil Legal Trainers
- Provide laptops for trainees as needed

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- Consult with KIDS Legal
- Coordinate with RPAAG Executive Planning Team
- Challenging to figure out from the application

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

*1. How do they intend to increase population?*

Unclear from the application how an increase will occur.

*2. What referral methods will they use?*

Existing AIEP clients, on-line and word-of-mouth.

*3. Does this appear a successful strategy?*

The application was challenging to fully understand the Work Plan so hard to evaluate. Providing multiple supports for immigrant community extremely important and laudable, however it was hard to understand the overall services and how they would be implemented from the application.

*IV. Budget*

*1. Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?*

Seems high for reimbursement of non-professionals – stipends might make more sense? Unclear how “grant management” money will be utilized. Also unclear if Staff will be compensated for extra hours, or if that will be necessary?

*2. Does the cost account for building out their program?*

Presumably by training others to take on these roles.

*3. Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?*

No.

*4. Do they have sustainability in the community they serve?*

Yes!

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**BIDDER NAME:** United Youth Empowered

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**EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT:** Corrections / Juvenile Justice Advisory Group

*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

1. *How do they intend to increase population?*

Unclear

2. *What referral methods will they use?*

Unclear

3. *Does this appear a successful strategy?*

No.

*IV. Budget*

1. *Do the costs for personnel seem reasonable?*

No – only one individual listed. No information on hourly rate and number of hours that will be worked for the \$25,000.

2. *Does the cost account for building out their program?*

Does not appear to do so.

3. *Are they asking for any equipment over \$5K?*

No.

4. *Do they have sustainability in the community they serve?*

Unclear – possibly?

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

1. *How do they intend to increase population?*

Unclear

2. *What referral methods will they use?*

Unclear

3. *Does this appear a successful strategy?*

No.

*IV. Budget*

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**Individual Evaluator Comments:**

*I. Organization Qualifications and Experience*

- *Provide youth with training in media literacy and production*
- *Coordinated Soccer tournament*
- *Collaboration with other community based organizations*

*2. Subcontractors*

- *None listed*

*3. Organizational Chart*

*4. Etc.*

*II. Proposed Services*

*1. Services to be Provided.*

- *RPAAG*
- *Lead on executive planning team*
- *Cultural broker*
- *Field trips with youth*

*2. Implementation – Work Plan*

- *Work with KIDS Legal and SLRP*
- *Develop weekly art and environmentally-themed field trips*
- *Applicant did not provide a lot of detail about how their work plan will be implemented*

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*III. Increase of Marginalized Population in Program*

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Unclear
2. *What referral methods will they use?*  
Unclear
3. *Does this appear a successful strategy?*  
No.

*IV. Budget*

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Unclear
2. *What referral methods will they use?*  
Unclear
3. *Does this appear a successful strategy?*  
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*Tanya Pierson*

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**Signature**

6/6/2024

**Date**



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