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GRANT OVERVIEW

The Human Services Grant Fund (HSGF) is a \$1million grant generated by DuPage County sales tax. It is voted upon as part of the annual countywide budget, and subject to appropriation. The County Board approved the grant allocation process in 1998, under Resolution HHS-018-98.

The goals of the HSGF are to promote self-sufficiency and help families achieve independence; ensure the protection of children and other vulnerable residents; and maximize prevention opportunities to strengthen families' well-being and stability.

Persons served include seniors, people with disabilities (physical, emotional, and developmental), families who are struggling financially and otherwise, at-risk youth, and persons who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. The funds were disbursed to the selected non-profits rather than individual clients.

The Health and Human Services Committee (HHS) is responsible for priority, eligibility, and funding recommendations of the HSGF projects, with the County Board having final approval. Applicants were invited to attend the HHS committee where projects were discussed and recommended for funding.

Interested non-profit representatives attended a mandatory information meeting to learn minimum requirements and scoring sections. Applicants received programmatic and/or technical assistance until the submission deadline on February 3, 2017. The nonprofits submitted their project proposals through a web-based application system. Only eligible organizations and activities that met the minimum requirements were funded. Minimum requirements included: projects serving a broad geographic area with a minimum 51% of clients residing in the County; agencies having 501(c)(3) status for 3 years along with 3 years of substantial presence in DuPage County; most current audit; most recent IRS Form 990 and AG-990-IL; provision of direct client service; and services open to all DuPage County residents.

The applications were highly competitive. Community Development staff worked diligently to ensure a consistent evaluation process, with application responses and documentation scrutinized and evaluated to the same standard for each agency. The total funding request exceeded \$2.6 million. Returning, funded agencies were eligible to request \$50,000 while new applicants could request a maximum of \$15,000 with no agency eligible to request more than 50% of the total project cost. Merged agencies were eligible to request up to \$80,000 each year for three years to aid in the transition.

Several agencies scored better on their applications because of improved data collection and complete answers, while a few agencies had decreased scores, mostly due to lack of requested attachments to support their answers. It was also possible for an agency to score as well as they had in the past, but to receive a lower allocation. Again, this was due to an increase in the amount of funds requested, average scores remaining high, and applications below the "average" received less funding.

General expenses including direct client service staff salaries and benefits, maintenance and operations were most requested. Minimum and maximum funding requests were established. In FY2017, 63 applications were submitted – 60 received an average award of approximately \$16,700. The highest award was \$35,000 while the minimum award was \$3,532. Five agencies were first-time applicants and three applicants failed to meet minimum requirements and were ineligible for scoring consideration.

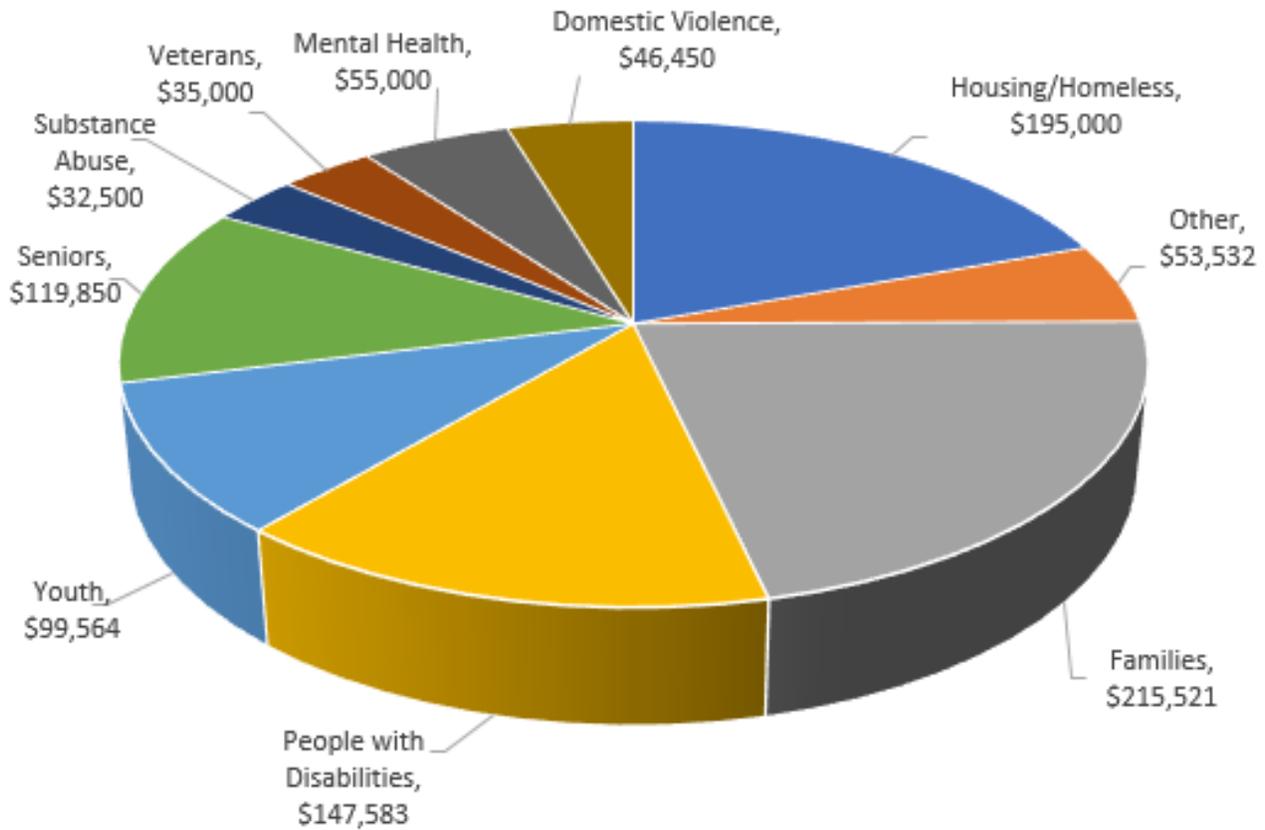
The grant cycle is May 1 – April 30. This final report, presented to the HHS Committee, demonstrates the HSGF accomplishments of each of the funded non-profit organizations. The programs and services funded by the FY17 grant touched the lives of over 76,856 DuPage County residents through 58 social service agencies providing 60 projects.

Interested parties may find more information on the HSGF program as well as this report at:
https://www.dupageco.org/Community_Services/Community_Development/6285/

GRANT STATISTICS

Category:	# of Projects:	Funding Amount:	% of Total:	Persons Served
Housing/Homeless	8	\$195,000	19%	9,717
Other	3	\$53,532	5%	1,550
Families	12	\$215,521	21%	52,739
People with Disabilities	14	\$147,583	15%	7,272
Youth	6	\$99,564	10%	1,454
Seniors	9	\$119,850	12%	2,221
Substance Abuse	2	\$32,500	3%	817
Veterans	1	\$35,000	4%	12
Mental Health	3	\$55,000	6%	768
Domestic Violence	2	\$46,450	5%	306
TOTAL	60	\$1,000,000	100%	76,856

FY2017 HSGF Funding Awards



Please Note:

The client numbers listed for some of the projects in this Final Report may vary depending on whether the agency is reporting the overall number of clients served, families instead of individuals, the number of clients assisted with HSGF funds, or the number of clients served by a specific outcome.

Additionally, clients assisted by some agencies could technically be placed in two or more categories, which would cause duplication of some numbers. Whichever category the agency self-reported was the one identified in this Final Report.



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Human Services Grant Fund FY2017 Final Report

DuPage County Community Development Commission
2017 Human Services Grant Fund
2/3/2017 deadline



360 Youth Services

Youth in Transition

Organization Information

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Naperville, IL 60563

Tel: 630-961-2992

Fax: 630-961-7251

Website: www.360youthservices.org

EIN: 362936229

DUNS: 612121996

Official Amount: \$ 35,000.00

The mission of 360 Youth Services is to provide life-changing services to youth through prevention education, counseling and shelter. Since 2000, the Youth in Transition program has provided safe housing to homeless youth ages 18-24 while they work towards self-sufficiency. The project provides participants safe housing/shelter with on-site case management seven days per week. Participants have access to budgeting, skill building, education counseling, benefits enrollment, employment and vocational training services, counseling, medical, mental health, and substance abuse treatment services as needed for up to 18 months. The project operates in 16 supervised apartments with two participants in each apartment. There were 69 participants served last fiscal year and, of those, 85% discharged achieved housing. The participants developed the skills necessary to make a healthy and permanent transition to stable housing in the community within an 18-month period. The expected outcome was to reduce the incidence of youth homelessness by 69 persons annually. Goals include 1) 26 youth at discharge will obtain employment with vocational training programs and 2) 26 youth will exit to safe housing through advocacy with landlords, budgeting and savings plans. There were 69 youth served in FY2016 compared to 73 last year due to longer lengths of stay. The program capacity remained the same.

Progress Report 1

The proposed goals were on-target for the first six months.

Progress Report 2

There were 55 youth served which is less than the projected 70 because youth had longer lengths of stay in the program. More youth completed an educational requirement or a vocational certification than expected. Participants were saving more funds and building a stronger foundation prior to exiting the program. Also, more youth had substance abuse and mental health issues which required additional therapeutic support contributing to a longer length of stay.



Achieving Independence and Mobility Center for Independent Living

Youth Transition and Employment Readiness Program

Organization Information

3130 Finley Rd
Ste 500
Downers Grove, IL 60515

Tel: 630-469-2300

Fax: 630-469-2606

Website: www.aim-cil.org

EIN: 36-3730790

DUNS: 966763773

Official Amount: \$ 6,594.00

The Achieving Independence and Mobility Center for Independent Living (AIM-CIL) sought funding that would continue to allow the Youth Services Program to include Employment Readiness Services. The Youth Services Program offers educational advocacy and IEP support, preparation for transition to adulthood, and addresses other Special Education issues. The employment readiness services include classes on leadership, communication, resume creation, interviewing, and fundamental computer skills in the workplace. Funds provided these services to 100 young people up to age 25 with varying types of disabilities, as well as their parents/guardians. AIM-CIL is a non-residential disability rights organization governed and staffed by a majority of persons with disabilities. Its mission is to empower persons with disabilities to effectively control and direct their lives. The Center provides leadership through training, community development, and advocacy to enable persons with disabilities to fully participate in family, social, and community life. Programs and services are available to all persons with disabilities residing in the service area which includes DuPage, Kane, and Kendall Counties. 53% of the consumers reside in DuPage County. For this grant, all funds were expended to those living within DuPage County.

Progress Report 1

The Center provided a series of workshops that include ABLE Act, Achieving a Better Life Experience, and Law Series including Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, as well as a workshop on Guardianship for Parents. Vocational Development Training empowered transitional-aged students with disabilities who were interested in pursuing employment or volunteer services.

Progress Report 2

The Center provided Youth Leadership Training. The curriculum was both on-site and in the classroom setting at local schools. Students learned self-advocacy, job exploration and counseling, counseling on post-secondary education and much more. Vocational Development Training was provided to transitional-aged students with disabilities who were interested in pursuing employment/volunteer services. Workshops: ABLE Act, Guardianship, SSI/SSDI Benefits



Almost Home Kids

Transitional Care Program for Children with Medical Complexities

Organization Information

7 S 721 Rte 53
Naperville, IL 60540

Tel: 630-271-9155

Fax: 630-271-9186

Website: www.almosthomekids.org

EIN: 36-3822010

DUNS: 941835324

Official Amount: \$ 15,000.00

Almost Home Kids ("AHK") provides transitional care in a home-like setting to children with complicated health needs, training for their families, and respite care. Children, for example, might have cerebral palsy, spina bifida, muscular dystrophy, spinal cord injury, Shaken Baby Syndrome, and more. AHK was incorporated as a 501(c)(3) in 1999 by two mothers who had children with medical complexities. It is a 12-bed facility located in Naperville in an 8,000-square foot home on 2.5 acres of land. AHK's Transition Care Program is for children who are ready to be discharged from a hospital but, for whom, preparations at home still need to be made. In a comforting community setting children receive shelter, 24-hour medical and nursing support, and case management. 40% of children served are homeless or at risk of homelessness due to social situations. The Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) removes children from unsafe homes due to abuse or neglect, most often a direct result of extreme hardship, addiction, chronic unemployment, mental illness or inability to care for the child. 75% of the families served at AHK live at or below the poverty level. AHK serves 160 children with disabilities, age 0 to 21, and their families annually. All AHK's children require ongoing medical management which includes medical technology such as tracheostomy tube for airway management or ventilator for respiratory support.

Progress Report 1

- 100% of children transitioned home to a family in the first six months
- 41 parents/caregivers completed two, 24-hr supervised stays and skills checklist
- Two foster parents or caregivers were trained
- 100% of children received case management during their stay and 30 days post-discharge

Progress Report 2

- 29 parents/caregivers completed two, 24-hour overnight supervised stays and skills checklist
- Four foster parents or caregivers were trained
- 100% of children received case management during their stay and 30 days post-discharge



Bartlett Learning Center Inc / Cupertino Home

Cupertino Home - Annual Operating Expenses / Staff Salaries

Organization Information

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c/o Clare Woods Academy
Wheaton, IL 60187

Tel: 630-384-8613

Fax: 630-289-4390

Website: www.blcinc.org

EIN: 36-2778655

DUNS: 831983999

Official Amount: \$ 15,000.00

Cupertino Home was founded in Warrenville in 1990. The mission is to assist adults with developmental disabilities become self-sufficient and self-directed in the areas of personal growth, general health, education, social and emotional well-being and functional living skills. The grant funds covered the salaries of new employees (Authorized Direct Services Providers/A.D.S.P) of Cupertino Home. The annual target number of clients is eight, and all are residents of DuPage County. This Community Integrated Living Center (C.I.L.A.) is located on a residential street in Warrenville.

Progress Report 1

Increased staff (A.D.S.P. - Advanced Designated Service Personnel) meant expanded and improved programs and activities for the residents of Cupertino Home, and an improvement in the quality of life enjoyed by the residents.

Progress Report 2

Cupertino Home was fully occupied with 8 clients.



Bridge Communities, Inc.

Children's Services Program

Organization Information

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Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Tel: 630-545-0610

Fax: 630-545-0640

Website: www.bridgecommunities.org

EIN: 36-3705951

DUNS: 160224473

Official Amount: \$ 3,532.00

Bridge Communities' (Bridge) Children's Services Program, benefits 209 homeless and at-risk children, ages 0 to 18, with two-thirds of the children from ages 0 to 9, along with their parents. The families reside in the Bridge Communities Transitional Housing Program apartment buildings around DuPage County in Addison, Glen Ellyn, Glendale Heights, Lombard, Naperville, Westmont, and Woodridge. The Children's Program focuses solely on ensuring all Bridge children are developing physically, cognitively, socially, and academically. The HSGF funding helped support a highly-structured Children's program: comprehensive individual assessments and referrals to counseling, healthcare providers, and social service agencies all facilitated by the Children's Services team. The Program takes an all-inclusive, holistic approach for the children, knowing that the steps Bridge takes today greatly improve the children's own self-sufficiency to systematically break the cycle of poverty for the next generation, not just for the parents. Throughout the history of Bridge, the focus has been on the success of the entire family unit, adults and children alike. However, the programming is centered principally on the adults, with the hope and belief that children would also be the beneficiaries. Notable exceptions have been the tutoring and youth enrichment activities.

Progress Report 1

Of the 30 children who were identified as needing interventions/services, all 30 received at least one service, but many received more than one service.

Progress Report 2

During the last six months of the grant period, 79 children were identified as needing interventions and were referred and connected to services provided by various enrichment programs, counseling, and community partners. These safety net services put the children on a trajectory of optimum health and developmental success to help break the cycle of generational poverty. 109 of 109 children (100%) were identified and connected to at least one service during the grant period.



CASA of DuPage County

Court Ordered Child Advocacy

Organization Information

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3rd Floor, Ste C
Wheaton, IL 60187

Tel: 630-221-0889

Fax: 630-221-0904

Website: www.dupagecasa.org

EIN: 363875807

DUNS: 076533988

Official Amount: \$ 15,000.00

Grant funds were allocated toward child advocacy for abused, neglected, or dependent children in DuPage County's 18th Circuit's juvenile court. The beneficiaries of CASA's advocacy program include:

- Juvenile victims of abuse and/or neglect or dependents of the state
- Court administrators who use the information collected by CASA Advocates to assist in the decision-making process concerning permanency goals for children in the system
- Child welfare staff who seek the input of CASA Advocates to better form treatment plans and intervention strategies for families in crisis

CASA's goal is to provide an Advocate for 100% of the children in DuPage County juvenile court. The exact number of children who will find themselves in these difficult circumstances is not known. CASA anticipates and is prepared to provide an Advocate for at least 350 children each year. This project aligns with CASA's 24-year mission to recruit, train and support volunteer Advocates to speak to the best interests of abused, neglected and dependent children in DuPage County's juvenile court system, and a vision of every child in DuPage County living in a safe and permanent home.

Progress Report 1

Outcome Measure Goal 1: 100% of the children in juvenile court had a volunteer Advocate assigned to their case. CASA hosted one of two Advocate training sessions during the reporting period. 20 new volunteers were trained and sworn in.

Outcome Measure Goal 2: CASA had the opportunity to increase the number of Continuing Education opportunities offered and is on track to surpass the goal, making it easier for Advocates to meet CASA's National Standards.

Progress Report 2

Outcome Measure Goal 1: 100% of the children in juvenile court had a volunteer Advocate assigned to their case. CASA hosted the second of two Advocate training sessions during the reporting period. 15 new volunteers were trained and sworn in.

Outcome Measure Goal 2: CASA hosted additional Continuing Education opportunities providing Advocates ample chances to meet their requirements and stay in compliance with National CASA standards.



Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet

Emergency Services Program

Organization Information

16555 Weber Rd
Crest Hill, IL 60403

Tel: 815-723-3405

Fax: 815-723-3452

Website: www.catholiccharitiesjoliet.org

EIN: 36-2170817

DUNS: 165912106

Official Amount: \$ 35,000.00

The agency's mission is to help those in need. The Emergency Services program works to prevent homelessness and rapidly rehouse those experiencing homelessness by assisting households with direct support. Support may include security deposit, rental and utility assistance, food, clothing, prescription and transportation assistance, case management, and assistance in applying for mainstream benefits. In 2016, 2,392 calls were received for individuals seeking assistance with 1,295 clients receiving basic needs assistance. This program benefits individuals and families in emergency situations with the following eligibility requirements:

- DuPage County residents with incomes at or below 50% median family income (MFI)
- Proof of need/housing status
- Willingness to receive budgeting and financial planning through case management services

The Emergency Services and Homeless Prevention Program's annual target is to serve a minimum of 1,300 low-income clients each year. This activity aligns with the mission and experience of the agency. Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet has been a leader on a multi-county level in the areas of homelessness for over 50 years. Since 1983, services in DuPage have involved operation of an Emergency Shelter, 97 transitional and permanent supportive housing units, and provision of emergency services. Catholic Charities has also been actively growing partnerships and networking with community stakeholders to address service gaps.

Progress Report 1

Emergency Services was on track to meet established outcome measures.

Progress Report 2

All outcomes were met this period except for the number of calls that were received by the office. The anticipated outcome was 2,000 callers would be screened for appropriate resources or referrals. The total numbers of callers screened was 1,960. This reduction was seen in the last 6 months of the reporting period which could be correlated to holidays when the office was closed for several days.



Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet

Hope House

Organization Information

16555 Weber Rd
Crest Hill, IL 60403

Tel: 815-723-3405

Fax: 815-723-3452

Website: www.catholiccharitiesjoliet.org

EIN: 36-2170817

DUNS: 165912106

Official Amount: \$ 35,000.00

Hope House Shelter in Villa Park provides short-term shelter and services to DuPage County families and individuals made homeless by crisis situations (job loss, evictions, credit issues, sudden loss of household income, serious illness, etc.). Hope House provides shelter, food, clothing, counseling, advocacy, case management, employment services, budget counseling, and help to obtain permanent stable housing in the community. During a six-to-eight week stay, the family remains intact and adults work to find employment and stable permanent housing. Eligible participants must be 18 or older unless they have been legally emancipated or accompanied by an adult. Residents are those who are, or could become, employed with sufficient income/benefits, able to obtain and maintain affordable fair market housing without ongoing support. Ineligible candidates are linked to shelter and resources through the shelter's hotline operating 24/7, 365 days a year. Residents have individualized service plans and are accountable for achieving mutually agreed upon goals. Residents must obtain six job contacts daily, make housing contacts, participate in case management, financial literacy classes, budget counseling, and counseling and support groups if applicable. Eligible residents are enrolled in mainstream benefits. In FY16, 137 individuals (44 children age 1-17, 91 adults 18-59, and two seniors 65+) were served. 74% of clients obtained full-time employment where they earned enough income to obtain permanent stable housing in the community.

Progress Report 1

Hope House was on track to meet or exceed the established outcome measures.

Progress Report 2

During the second half of this grant period, Hope House entered a family of seven on 11/24/2017. This family was still currently residing at shelter awaiting a housing program which they entered on 05/14/2018. Due to housing this larger family for six months, Hope House had less individuals enter which caused the overall number of persons served to be less than anticipated. The program projected serving 135 individuals and only 123 were served, also lowering the first outcome measure.



ChildServ

ChildServ Group Homes

Organization Information

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Ste 450
Chicago, IL 60631

Tel: 773-867-7350

Fax: 773-693-0322

Website: www.childserv.org

EIN: 36-2171716

DUNS: 115765265

Official Amount: \$ 7,500.00

ChildServ has three Group Homes that provide nurturing, structured, and therapeutic homes to adolescent wards of the state. The youth have often experienced past abuse, neglect, or severe trauma. Some have also been sexually abused. Clients many times fall into more than one category of special needs, including development disabilities, substance abuse, and domestic violence. Additionally, many have mental health diagnoses or behavioral problems. Each Group Home can house six youth. ChildServ aims to have each Group Home at capacity, an annual target of at least 18 youth per year. The Group Homes complement the mission of ChildServ, which is to help Chicagoland's at-risk children and their families build, achieve, and sustain better lives. The Group Homes are designed to stabilize the living situations of adolescents ages 12-19 and empower them to become independent, healthy, and productive.

Progress Report 1

ChildServ has internal data which reflects a percentage each month. The average percentage over the six-month report period is applied to anticipated totals. The three outcomes tracked had ranges of success during the six months. For example, community involvement ranged from 18.8% per month to 92%, depending on the time of year. Discharge is based on an anticipated 20 possible discharges, as not all will discharge. Initial application reflected monthly outcome goals.

Progress Report 2

19 clients resided in the Group Homes during this six-month period. 100% participated in life skills sessions, 100% of the two who exited had a positive discharge, and 94.1% were employed, involved in an activity at school or in the community. ChildServ had 32 total clients in Group Homes during this grant year. Nine of the clients in this reporting period were new and ten overlapped from the prior reporting period. Clients reside in the home as long as needed, whether weeks or years.



Community Adult Day Center

Direct Care Salary Support

Organization Information

4501 Main St
Downers Grove, IL 60515

Tel: 630-968-1060

Fax: 630-968-1060

Website: www.communityadulthoodcenter.org

EIN: 36-3459984

DUNS: 607417649

Official Amount: \$ 3,532.00

Funding the Direct Care Salary Support addressed the gap in funding from serving clients enrolled in the Illinois Department of Aging Community Care program and to supplement the low fee for service. Community Adult Day Center provides transportation to and from the center to members enrolled in CCP. The Day Center has a nurse and two substitute nurses on staff which requires paying an RN hourly rate. Lack of funding from the State program and maintaining a low fee structure to make services accessible for older adults means the ability to meet the diverse needs of families, provide quality person-centered evidence based programs, and maintain an adequate ratio of members to staff as outlined by the Illinois Department of Aging, is challenging. There is a need to hire one more part-time program activity assistant and hire a student enrolled in Transitions 99. The project benefits older adults by providing socialization, physical and mental exercise, and life enrichment activities. The annual target number of clients served is 50 members. The mission is to serve adults with cognitive and physical disabilities by providing a social program to enhance quality of life for the individual and family, and this project aligns with the mission. Since 1986, residents of DuPage County have been served, and this project will support the work and ensure that older adults continue to be served.

Progress Report 1

The anticipated number of clients served for the year was 54, however, the numbers continued to increase. While the average length of stay was 6-12 months, some members exceeded the average stay and more families sought low-cost care. The agency continued to develop programs to engage members and provide education and support for caregivers. In addition, referrals from other agencies had an impact on the number of older adults served.

Progress Report 2

Client enrollment for FY 2017 was 68 and during the year, the center focused on enhancing activities by categorizing by interest and color coding the activities on the monthly calendar for easy identification of activities of interest. Staff hours were adjusted to accommodate peak times and whenever individuals with challenging or disruptive behavior were present. Therefore, clients focused on the activity instead of being distracted, and the change has led to greater engagement.



Community Career Center

Empowering Job Seekers

Organization Information

1815 W Diehl Rd
Ste 900
Naperville, IL 60563

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Fax: 630-961-1271

Website: www.communitycareercenter.org

EIN: 36-4093212

DUNS: 044479587

Official Amount: \$ 3,532.00

Empowering Job Seekers is the go-to program for individuals facing the financial and personal strains of unemployment and underemployment. For 20 years, the Community Career Center (CCC) has worked toward its mission to provide diverse resources to empower job seekers to achieve sustainable employment. The Community Career Center facilitates job clubs, accountability groups, and networking events to connect clients with those who have a shared experience. The Community Career Center works with clients, one-on-one, to help them develop personalized search strategies and become more competitive job candidates through basic computer training, resume updates, and mock interviewing. Tools and resources that support client job searches include shared work spaces equipped with computers, internet access, phones, printers, copiers, and fax machines. Job seekers also have access to the Center's job search library of reference books, business directories, general information on local and national businesses, and an online job bank of employment listings. Community Career Center services benefit individuals of workforce age, 18 years old and over. It is estimated that at least 1,000 job seekers will be assisted in FY 2017-2018.

Progress Report 1

CCC continued its quest to assist all job seekers in their job search. The ReLaunch program was instrumental in providing the long-term unemployed – those job seekers who have been out of work 12+ months or longer – with the necessary tools and resources with a hands-on approach to secure employment. While much of the data CCC received on the number of interviews as well as the number of landings were self-reported by job seekers, CCC saw a higher success rate among the ReLaunch participants.

Progress Report 2

CCC continued to assist job seekers seeking employment by providing the necessary tools and resources to assist in their job search. The ReLaunch program was instrumental in helping job seekers find their way back to work. While much of the data CCC received on the number of interviews participated in as well as the number of landings were self-reported by job seekers, CCC continued to see a high success rate among ReLaunch participants.



DayOne PACT

The Parent Support Project

Organization Information

750 Warrenville Rd
Ste 300
Lisle, IL 60532

Tel: 630-960-9700

Fax: 630-960-9823

Website: www.dayonepact.org

EIN: 36-3125214

DUNS: 604849166

Official Amount: \$ 3,532.00

The agency proposes continuation of the quickly-expanding Parent Support Project for a third year. The project is designed to act as a safety net for parents encountering barriers to service and assist those parents with children of all ages with disabilities. A dedicated staff member supports the parent on issues related to the parenting of a child with disabilities. Due to the continued issues with the State of Illinois and barriers to accessing services for individuals who are disabled, parents are engaging in this one-of-a-kind program. Due to the agency's role in the provision of services to 100% of the families seeking state services in DuPage County for the developmentally disabled, it is in a unique position to provide this service and communicate to the entire population in need. This program will also include assisting in the transition out of formal schooling and the expansion of parent support groups which have doubled over the last year to two each month. Information and support will be provided to 2,833 people in DuPage County during the year. While the organization serves DuPage, Kendall, and Kane counties, the Parent Support Project is direct service and will only operate in DuPage County. DayOne PACT provides life-span case management service to children and adults with developmental disabilities and delays, and their families, through two state-funded programs. The agency's mission is to help people with disabilities live supported, engaged, and meaningful lives.

Progress Report 1

This report included the period of June through August which is the slowest service delivery time due to school being out and less services being provided to families through the children's school taking up more of the parents' time. The final numbers were on track to exceed the stated goals and objectives of the application.

Progress Report 2

The Parent Support Project did well in meeting its stated goals and objectives. 268 requests for information were tracked; however, there were at least two group meetings that took place this last six months where multiple families requested follow up materials at the meeting which were provided that night, but were not tracked other than the type of materials that were distributed.



Donka, Inc.

Assistive Technology Computer Training for Persons with Disabilities

Organization Information

400 N County Farm Rd
Wheaton, IL 60187

Tel: 630-665-8169

Fax: N/A

Website: www.donkainc.org

EIN: 36-3284578

DUNS: 027333595

Official Amount: \$ 13,500.00

During the grant period, Donka, Inc. expects to provide computer training with assistive technology (AT) to 14 persons with physical, visual, learning or other disabilities, ages 17-85. Each student receives a three-week pre-assessment (15 hours) to determine their computer skills level and the recommended AT software program or adaptive hardware needed to accommodate each student's physical, visual or other disability to successfully operate the computer independently. Based on the assessment, a customized curriculum is created for the student by a Donka instructor, which progresses the student toward their self-identified goals: vocational, educational, or social/personal enrichment. Students with vocational/educational goals receive computer training with an AT curriculum consisting of computer basics to advanced: Microsoft Office programs (Word, Excel, Outlook), internet/email, and 1:1 or 2:1 (student/teacher) job skills training from a career specialist. Students receive 140 -168 hours of service. Students with social/personal enrichment goals receive condensed curriculum: 50-70 hours of computer training with AT in internet/email and social media such as Facebook. These activities align with Donka's 30-year mission of changing the lives of persons with disabilities through technology. The overarching goal is to help individuals with disabilities develop computer skills to increase opportunities for employment, increase their independence, and broaden their interests.

Progress Report 1

HSGF supported the training for five individuals in one year. Between May 1 and October 31, 2017, Donka selected two seniors for HSGF support. One senior was a resident of DuPage Care Center and learned computer basics, internet/email, and MS office basics; the second senior completed training and learned computer basics, internet/email and used the computer lab during free time after class with volunteer during days and evenings.

Progress Report 2

During the second half of the grant cycle (November 1 - April 30, 2018), three individuals participated in Donka's computer training program. Two were between 18-59, and both learned assistive technology and MS Office. One secured employment and plans on college in the fall of 2018, while the other will seek employment after completion. One senior from DuPage Care Center completed computer training in computer basics, internet, email and social media. A total of five were served in the grant period.



DuPage Federation on Human Services Reform

Open Door

Organization Information

246 Janata Blvd
Ste 265
Lombard, IL 60148

Tel: 630-782-4782

Fax: 630-748-4794

Website: www.dupagefederation.org

EIN: 36-4197587

DUNS: 139718204

Official Amount: \$ 35,000.00

The Open Door program aims to serve 900 individuals annually to address the complex, multiple issues that participants present. The program meets the basic needs and provides comprehensive case management for multiple-needs individuals and assists them to successfully navigate through multiple IDHS and community service delivery systems by providing linkage and referral. To address these needs, Open Door collaborates across all IDHS services, including the Family Community Resource Center (FCRC), Division of Rehabilitation Services, mental health, substance abuse, and childcare assistance. This coming year, the Open Door program is expanding to assist 672 immigrants and refugees through the expansion of a Welcoming Center to help navigate public benefits, assist with acculturation, and address crisis needs. This Welcoming Center is established in partnership with local immigrant serving organizations and provides improved linkage to IDHS services for this population and assistance with navigating state services and benefits. The Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Education project is a joint effort between the DuPage Federation on Human Services Reform, IDHS Family Community Resource Center, and local community partners. The purpose and goal of this project is to connect 80-100 TANF customers with community resources and to provide supportive services to help enhance and improve the life skills of those individuals.

Progress Report 1

Overall participant numbers were very high in August and September; therefore, the number of participants receiving direct service and linkages to other community-based resources was higher than anticipated as was financial assistance for emergencies and essential items.

Progress Report 2

Open Door provided financial emergency assistance to fewer participants over this six-month time frame but provided larger amounts of assistance.



DuPage Habitat for Humanity

Construction Management Capacity Building Project

Organization Information

1600 E Roosevelt Rd
Wheaton, IL 60187

Tel: 630-510-3737

Fax: 630-682-4881

Website: www.dupagehabitat.org

EIN: 36-4003119

DUNS: 123200730

Official Amount: \$ 13,365.00

DuPage Habitat for Humanity's (DHFH) mission is to put God's love into action by bringing people together to build homes, communities, and hope. Aligned with DHFS's 22 years of experience advancing that mission, this project will enable DHFH to serve more low-income DuPage families through affordable homeownership opportunities, critical home repair, and its new neighborhood revitalization initiative, which has increased the number of families impacted by DHFH programs. It will expand DHFH's capacity by:

- Creating and filling a new Construction Project Coordinator (CPC) position (from existing AmeriCorps volunteers)
- Creating and filling a new Volunteer Manager (VM) position
- Providing office space and equipment for these positions

The CPC (100% direct service) will work with partner families and DHFH staff to accelerate the completion of construction projects according to construction plans and family needs, and coordinate resources with project timelines and locations. The VM (80% direct service) will support partner families' completion of sweat equity hours, coordinate DHFH volunteers, and engage low-income residents in community programming (e.g. tutoring, job assistance, financial workshops) through its neighborhood revitalization initiative and expanded community partnerships. The added capacity provided by the proposed project will enable DHFH to serve more than 265 low-income DuPage residents in the coming fiscal year.

Progress Report 1

68 low-to-moderate income DuPage County residents were served through critical home repairs, access to affordable mortgages/home ownership, and through Neighborhood Revitalization programming.

Progress Report 2

266 persons were served by providing education and information with regards to affordable housing, and home repairs through DuPage Habitat for Humanity, along with Neighborhood Revitalization efforts.



DuPage Homeownership Center dba HOME DuPage, Inc

DHOC Counselor in the Court and Foreclosure Prevention Program

Organization Information

1600 E Roosevelt Rd
Wheaton, IL 60187

Tel: 630-260-2500

Fax: 630-260-2505

Website: www.dhoc.org

EIN: 36-3770757

DUNS: 833233752

Official Amount: \$ 15,000.00

During the grant period, the DuPage Homeownership Center (DHOC) will serve 350 DuPage households in foreclosure through its Counselor in the Court and Foreclosure Prevention Program. Two-thirds of the individuals in these households will be low to very low income, and nearly half will be children and seniors. The Program, which is aligned with DHOC's mission to promote responsible, sustainable homeownership and help homeowners in crisis, consists of the following elements:

- **Counselor in the Court** - DHOC partners with DuPage County Circuit Court to place a DHOC housing counselor and bilingual assistant in foreclosure court to offer homeowners in crisis with guidance and information about DHOC foreclosure prevention services at an early stage of foreclosure proceedings.
- **Foreclosure Prevention Workshops** - DHOC educates homeowners about the foreclosure process, potential mortgage rescue scams, and options to avoid foreclosure.
- **Foreclosure Prevention Counseling** - DHOC offers individualized counseling to help homeowners identify and evaluate options to avoid foreclosure, access assistance programs (e.g., food banks, Making Home Affordable), develop an action plan, and pursue resolutions such as loan modifications.

For 25 years, DHOC has provided foreclosure prevention, financial management, and homebuyer services, helping over 23,220 DuPage households improve their financial stability and build wealth through homeownership. It is a HUD-certified housing counseling agency.

Progress Report 1

After the funding announcement came out with a reduced award, goals were revised but still aimed to serve as many households as possible.

Progress Report 2

After the funding announcement came out with a reduced award, goals were revised but still aimed to serve as many households as possible, with a total of 71 families were served.



DuPage Homeownership Center dba HOME DuPage, Inc DHOC Financial Fitness Collaboration

Organization Information

1600 E Roosevelt Rd
Wheaton, IL 60187

Tel: 630-260-2500

Fax: 630-260-2505

Website: www.dhoc.org

EIN: 36-3770757

DUNS: 833233752

Official Amount: \$ 15,000.00

During the grant period, DuPage Homeownership Center (DHOC) will collaborate with other DuPage County agencies to significantly expand its Financial Fitness Program to serve at least 400 low-income DuPage County households, where over half of family members are children and seniors. These families often lack basic financial literacy skills and have debt, poor credit, and/or little to no savings. The program will address these needs in two ways: 1) Financial Capability workshops on subjects including household budgeting, credit/debt management, establishing savings, smart consumerism, and banking products, and 2) individual Financial Coaching sessions to reinforce and support real-world application of workshop content. In accordance with DHOC's mission to provide services to promote responsible, sustainable homeownership for low-to-moderate-income households, the program will provide families with the knowledge and support they need to improve financial stability and self-sufficiency and prevent homelessness. DHOC, a HUD-certified housing counseling agency, has over 25 years of experience providing financial counseling and has served over 23,220 DuPage County households. Collaborators such as Catholic Charities, Bridge Communities, DuPage Habitat for Humanity, People's Resource Center, Loaves & Fishes/CARES, DuPage PADS, and DuPage County Family Self-Sufficiency Program will help communicate information about the Program and refer their clients to the Program.

Progress Report 1

As stated after the last revision, as many clients as possible were served.

Progress Report 2

As stated after the last revision, as many clients as possible were served. The collaborative project served 438 families.



DuPage Legal Assistance Foundation by DuPage Bar Legal Aid Service Protection Services

Organization Information

126 S County Farm Rd
Wheaton, IL 60187

Tel: 630-653-6212

Fax: 630-653-6317

Website: dupagelegalaid.org

EIN: 51-0189412

DUNS: 169683414

Official Amount: \$ 21,450.00

The mission of DuPage Legal Assistance Foundation is to secure legal protection against injustice and to obtain due process of law and the equal protection of the law; to promote knowledge of the law and of legal process, rights and responsibilities among the poor and the public. The Protection Services Program is committed to protecting some of the most vulnerable citizens of DuPage County by providing free legal assistance to domestic violence victims that cannot afford private attorneys. A Staff Attorney is dedicated to obtaining Plenary Orders of Protection, Stalking No Contact Orders, and Civil No Contact Orders for clients. The Staff Attorney defends against such orders being entered against indigent domestic violence victims or those with special interests. Additionally, the Staff Attorney collaborates with the State's Attorney's Office and advocates to ensure all needs of the client are met. The goal is to obtain an order for the victim that: protects them; obtains financial support to promote self-sufficiency; if appropriate, obtains exclusive possession of a shared home (a familiar and safe place to stay); establishes a parenting time schedule ensuring safety and stability, but still allows for the children of the parties to maintain a positive relationship with both parents. The agency is working with Family Shelter Service to identify and educate clients about the legal process. In 2017, the target number of clients was 175.

Progress Report 1

The program worked very closely with Family Shelter Service court advocates. The advocates helped individuals obtain Emergency Orders of Protection at an initial court date. The program helped the individuals obtain a permanent Order of Protection at a second court date. The number of clients that requested an Emergency Order of Protection dropped by a small but still significant amount.

Progress Report 2

In late February of 2018, the program saw a sharp decline in applicants and spoke with Family Shelter Service advocates to follow up and make sure the services the program offers were adequate or if any changes to the program should be made. Family Shelter also reported a decline in the number of people seeking Orders of Protection at that time. The numbers have since recovered, but this would explain this reporting period's numbers being lower than expected and lower than last period.



DuPage Pads

Interim Housing and Client Service Center

Organization Information

601 W Liberty Dr.
Wheaton, IL 60187

Tel: 630-682-3846
Fax: 630-682-3874

Website: dupagepads.org
EIN: 36-3675494
DUNS: 883110967

Official Amount: \$ 35,000.00

DuPage Pads requested HSGF funding to support staff salaries and program costs of Career Services, part of the Interim Housing program (IH). IH offers homeless men, women and children a safe environment to eat, sleep, and connect to supportive services. An identified lack of income is a critical barrier to permanent housing. Clients are assessed to determine a sustainable career path, provide employment readiness training, build partnerships with employers, and help clients secure and keep employment. Last year, 127 clients became employed through the Career Services program. For 30 years, DuPage Pads' mission has included serving the homeless and ending homelessness in the community. Last year, DuPage Pads served over 1,200 clients, providing safety, shelter, and over 138,000 meals. DuPage Pads' long history and strong staff are the backbone to this work. DuPage Pads operates under the strategic direction of the Board of Directors, and the operational management of an established leadership team. In addition, DuPage Pads engages over 4,000 volunteers, extending capacity. The program is at rotating congregational night sites in DuPage County and the Client Service Center at 703 W Liberty St., Wheaton. The target annual number of clients is 1,200.

Progress Report 1

The increased cooperation of community partners through the coordinated entry system with the DuPage Continuum of Care assisted in better program referrals and housing placements.

Progress Report 2

Expected outcome measure one is based on historical data. In this period, there were lower than expected participants in the summer months.



DuPage Senior Citizens Council

Home Delivered Meals ("Meals on Wheels")

Organization Information

1990 Springer Dr
Lombard, IL 60148

Tel: 630-620-0804

Fax: 630-620-1158

Website: www.dupageseniorcouncil.org

EIN: 36-2988023

DUNS: 19-066-709

Official Amount: \$ 35,000.00

DuPage Senior Citizens Council (DSCC) received support for the Home Delivered Meals (HDM) service for at risk seniors in DuPage County. HDMs are a part of DSCC's network of services available for DuPage County seniors. The mission of DSCC is to initiate, deliver, monitor, and coordinate services that promote the ability of older persons to live their lives in dignity. DSCC's programs help seniors remain in their homes and communities, avoiding costly and premature institutionalization. DSCC has been DuPage County's Older American's Act Title III-C-2 grantee since 1983. All meals are balanced, nutritious, and meet special dietary needs required, such as low sodium, vegetarian, or diabetic. Each meal is equivalent to one-third of the Reference Dietary Intake for adults 60 and over. Each meal delivery includes a well-being check to ensure the safety and health of the senior. Due to continued State budget uncertainties, DSCC plans provide five meals per week for seniors via a Monday, Wednesday, Friday delivery schedule for the upcoming year. Well-being checks will be conducted five days per week (Tuesday/Thursday checks are conducted via in-person visits or by phone). HDM recipients are assessed by the DuPage County Senior Services and referred to DSCC for service. Those referred by Senior Services are homebound elderly persons living alone, and 80% of clients are at or below the Federal poverty level. DSCC expects to serve 1,071 seniors this FY. Approximately 800 volunteers deliver HDMs.

Progress Report 1

There was no additional data relevant to the outcome measures listed in the application.

Progress Report 2

No other additional data relevant to report.



Easter Seals DuPage and the Fox Valley Region

Pediatric Rehabilitative Therapy for Children

Organization Information

830 South Addison Ave
Villa Park, IL 60181

Tel: 630-620-4433

Fax: 630-620-1148

Website: EasterSealsDRVR.org

EIN: 36-2476388

DUNS: 049158710

Official Amount: \$ 3,532.00

Easter Seals DuPage and Fox Valley (ESDFV) provides outpatient pediatric medical rehabilitation therapy to DuPage County infants and children with developmental delays and disabilities (DD/D). Funding supported services for low-income and uninsured/underinsured children, birth to age 18, who reside within DuPage County, helping them achieve important developmental milestones and lay a foundation for future development. The American Academy of Pediatrics states the earlier a child with DD/D receives quality, consistent therapies, the better their prognosis is for education success and a lifetime of greater independence. The World Health Organization (WHO) agrees and states that a comprehensive approach including early assessment, intervention, monitoring and evaluation are critical to health, education and social success - children with physical and cognitive disabilities receive appropriate resources to learn, grow, and thrive. This strongly aligns with the mission of helping with children with DD/D to achieve their maximum independence. ESDFV will provide 620 DuPage County children with treatment evaluation, 1,250 DuPage County children with 29,806 hours of therapy and services, and 1,250 parents with education, support, and information to increase their child's participation in therapy. The demand for services remained consistent with previous years. State budget impasse and private insurance reductions slowed growth of the program participants.

Progress Report 1

Overall, the agency experienced a high degree of compliance and participation in pediatric outpatient rehabilitation therapies. In the first six months of the grant period, this was definitely seen in all goal areas.

Progress Report 2

Easter Seals DuPage and Fox Valley experienced a high degree of ongoing participation in pediatric rehabilitation therapy. This, combined with compliance to therapy regime and focus on tasks outside of the therapy session(s), resulted in the desired outcomes for the children served, which is reflected in the program outcomes.



Ecumenical Support Services for the Elderly (ESSE)

On-Site Nursing and Activity Assistant Salaries

Organization Information

41 N Park Blvd.
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Tel: 630-260-3773

Fax: 630-260-8046

Website: www.esseadultdaycare.org

EIN: 36-3188585

DUNS: 964936319

Official Amount: \$ 15,000.00

ESSE Adult Day Care provides five part-time (LPN and RN) nurses along with two full-time and 14 part-time Activity Assistants. Nurses provide initial assessments, monthly wellness check-ups, administration of medications and treatments, progress notes, and an individual plan of care for older adults. Activity Assistants provide structured, cognitive and physical activities along with socialization. Nurses and Activity Assistants are required to attend 12 in-service hours which include civil rights, food safety, and sanitation training annually, along with CPR and first aid. Training is crucial to be conscious of how clients respond to activities, acknowledging their wants and needs. ESSE's goal is to have 144 older adults in a safe nurturing environment participating in social, cognitive and physical activities throughout the day while caregivers receive much needed respite with professional staff on site. ESSE's mission is to provide adult care options that promote the physical, emotional and spiritual well-being of older adults and their families. The mission is considered when creating policies, reflecting the services and individual care. ESSE has proved to be successful in the communities with one center and the support of ten churches on inception to the present, with three centers in operation and the support of 33 churches.

Progress Report 1

Outcome measures in the first report indicated that clients maintained or improved with goals that were set by the program Nurse. No one had been declined in this report.

Progress Report 2

Experienced more improvement with goals than anticipated, but with three less participants.



Evangelical Child & Family Agency (ECFA)

Counseling - Senior Services

Organization Information

1530 N Main St
Wheaton, IL 60187

Tel: 630-653-6400

Fax: 630-653-6490

Website: www.evancfa.org

EIN: 36-222937

DUNS: 065794331

Official Amount: \$ 3,532.00

ECFA expanded counseling services to include Senior Citizens. This additional service benefitted Senior Citizens (age 60 years and older) who live in DuPage County, and included in-office counseling as well as in-home counseling for homebound clients and for those living in senior housing communities. Individuals are able to address a variety of issues such as depression, grief and loss, Alzheimer's disease, and caregiver support. ECFA has a 66-year history providing services to vulnerable populations. Currently, infants through adults are served. Serving seniors fits with the mission which includes improving the quality of life for individuals and families.

Progress Report 1

The Senior Services Program was a new program and this was its initial year. As a new program, it was being marketed through agency newsletters, phone calls, and distribution of brochures to agencies, churches, and senior living communities in DuPage County. The organization is associated with the Association of Senior Service Providers (ASSP) and the DuPage Visiting Network.

Progress Report 2

The number of individuals served by this grant doubled during the second half of the year. It was anticipated that this number would continue to increase. The organization has connected with Arden Courts in Glen Ellyn, ESSE in Wheaton and the DuPage County Senior Services Department to reach clients.



Exchange Club for the Prevention of Child Abuse dba Project HELP

Parent Mentor Program

Organization Information

1815 W Diehl Rd
Ste 900
Naperville, IL 60540

Tel: 630-357-5683

Fax: 630-364-2190

Website: Projecthelpdupage.org

EIN: 36-3860937

DUNS: 021830288

Official Amount: \$ 15,000.00

The Parent Mentor Program uses the National Exchange Club Parent Aide model, which is a nationally-recognized evidence-based program with positive results. Those who benefit from the program are families identified as at-risk for child abuse and/or neglect. Referrals are received from area schools, child abuse agencies, and programs that work with children and families. The Parent Mentor Program provides professionally trained staff and volunteers who provide weekly one-on-one support services in the home to help parents understand child development, parent more effectively, identify and manage situational stress, strengthen social support networks, and increase their ability to connect with services that meet family needs. It builds on family strengths and resilience and helps to minimize the risk of child abuse and neglect. Volunteer Parent Mentors are assigned to one family at a time and work solely with that family throughout the year-long program to provide continuity and focus. The professional staff carry a case load of up to 11 families. Project HELP's mission - Empowering Parents-Nurturing Families-Strengthening Communities - is the impetus and purpose behind the Parent Mentor Program. The organization's goal is to eliminate child abuse and neglect and break the cycle of abuse in future generations.

Progress Report 1

Project HELP served 169 individuals (43 families) from May 1 to October 31, 2017, including 14 new families. 18 families completed the program and 22 parents completed the pre-and post-Parenting Stress Index (PSI) and Adult-Adolescent Parenting Inventory (AAPI). 19 of the 22 parents that completed the PSI showed significant reduction in stress. 15 of the 22 parents increased their AAPI score, reflecting a lowered risk of child abuse. 16 parents completed the Parent Mentor Program Satisfaction Survey with 15 reporting to be satisfied/very satisfied.

Progress Report 2

Project HELP served 15 new families from November 1 to April 30, 2018, totaling 234 individuals (58 families) since May 1, 2017. In 6 months, 13 families completed the program, 10 parents did the pre-and post-PSI, and 11 completed the AAPI. 9 of the 10 parents showed significant reduction in stress from the PSI. 7 of the 11 parents increased their AAPI score, reflecting a lowered risk of child abuse. 11 parents completed the Program Satisfaction Survey reported to be satisfied/very satisfied



Exodus World Service (EWS)

Refugees Adjustment and Integration

Organization Information

780 Busse Hwy
Park Ridge, IL 60068

Tel: 630-307-1400

Fax: N/A

Website: exodusworldservice.org

EIN: 36-3604920

DUNS: 93861759

Official Amount: \$ 25,000.00

The mission is to mobilize volunteers to welcome refugees into the community and help them build self-sufficient lives by linking them in mutually beneficial relationships with established residents who offer help, resources, and connections. Proposed activities include: 1) 15 newly arrived refugee families (approximately 60 individuals) will receive 24 hours of personalized English language practice and community orientation services provided by trained New Neighbor (NN) mentors during 12 weeks of weekly two-hour home visits. 2) 30 refugees in DuPage County will benefit from and be provided with approximately 1.5 hours of conversational English language practice provided by trained DuPage County volunteers over a 16-week period. This program aims to meet the needs of refugees living in DuPage County for at least 12 months, after their initial refugee resettlement services end. Vulnerable, low-income refugees who face challenges building stable lives in the community will benefit from this program. Refugees will be referred to Exodus from World Relief as well as from community leaders/agencies/churches working with DuPage refugees. Founded in DuPage in 1988, Exodus is nationally recognized and has served over 19,000 newly arrived refugees from more than 30 countries. Through continued funding from HSGF, EWS aims to continue to meet the needs of vulnerable refugees living in DuPage.

Progress Report 1

While there were no new NN matches this period, significant time was spent supporting existing NN matches with some large needs. In addition, since refugee arrivals have decreased per Executive Orders, new agency partnerships in DuPage were developed to expand the referral base. It is expected that the matching of refugee families through the NN program over the next 6 months will continue.

Progress Report 2

New refugee arrivals in the U.S. have been low, and most of the services provided for refugees through Exodus programs this past year focused on refugees living in the U.S. for 12+ months, but who still needed support. Given the lower number of refugee arrivals, staff spent time this year recruiting and building an updated referral stream for refugees in need of additional support in DuPage. Response has been high, and many refugees are currently in the program and/or requesting future support.



Family Focus, Inc.

Healthy Families DuPage

Organization Information

310S Peoria St., Ste 301
Chicago, IL 60607

Tel: 312-421-5200

Fax: 312-421-8085

Website: www.family-focus.org

EIN: 36-2884042

DUNS: 096801998

Official Amount: \$ 23,560.00

The Healthy Families DuPage program is patterned on the national model, Healthy Families America (HFA), an early intervention program that can significantly reduce rates of child abuse and neglect. The program offers voluntary, free home visiting to families with the intensity and frequency of visits based on each family's needs. The program specifically targets high-risk, non-English-speaking teen parents. The bicultural and bilingual staff help young parents understand their child's development and teach parents to be their child's first and best teacher. The program serves approximately 130 families per year. Family Focus was founded in 1976 by Bernice Weissbourd, a leading scholar, educator in child development, and the originator of the Family Support movement. Her vision, to promote the well-being of children by supporting and strengthening families in and with their communities, has been the mission of Family Focus for 40 years. In 1997, collaborative efforts of the DuPage County Health Department, Greater DuPage MYM (now Teen Parent Connection) and Lifelink (now Family Focus) formalized a partnership to develop and implement the Healthy Families DuPage program. When Lifelink discontinued their Healthy Families program, Family Focus filled the gap in services. In 2010, Family Focus DuPage became an independent Family Focus center. The Family Focus DuPage office is located at 2174 Gladstone Ct, Glendale Heights, IL 60139.

Progress Report 1

The Healthy Families DuPage program successfully accomplished all outcomes projected during the reported period. Additionally, 16 sessions of prenatal classes were open to the community. To date, 352 individuals have been served, 116 of whom are children (reported in the outcomes above).

Progress Report 2

Healthy Families successfully accomplished all outcomes projected during this reporting period. Additionally, 24 sessions of prenatal classes were open to the community.



Family Shelter Service

Emergency Shelter Program for Victims of Domestic Violence

Organization Information

605 E Roosevelt Rd
Wheaton, IL 60187

Tel: 630-221-8290

Fax: 630-221-8098

Website: www.familyshelterservice.org

EIN: 36-2883552

DUNS: 153199799

Official Amount: \$ 25,000.00

Support was requested by the emergency shelter, which provides safe refuge to victims of domestic violence and their children. The mission is to transform lives by offering hope and healing to victims of domestic violence. The target number of clients is 200, of which approximately 50% are children. Safe refuge from harm is first priority, and a shelter program has been in place since 1980 to welcome victims to emergency shelter and supportive counseling services. Clients in emergency shelter are provided accommodation, food and all basic needs, including diapers for infants. They are connected to trauma-informed counseling and case management services in English or Spanish to help them address obstacles to establishing sustainable safety. Clients enter for an initial 4-week period and then can renew every 2 weeks as needed. Safe Home Advocates provide life skills and emotional support to help the emergency shelter clients build safer lives for themselves and their children and acquire necessary skills, such as budgeting, employment assistance, or cooking nutritious meals for their families.

Progress Report 1

N/A

Progress Report 2

N/A



Healthcare Alternative Systems, Inc. - Wheaton

Wheaton Evidence-Based Substance Abuse Counseling Program

Organization Information

373 S County Farm Rd
Wheaton, IL 60187

Tel: 630-344-0001

Fax: 630-344-0206

Website: www.hascares.org

EIN: 23-7432930

DUNS: 076860691

Official Amount: \$ 7,500.00

Healthcare Alternative Systems, Inc. (H.A.S.) received \$7,500 to support the H.A.S. Wheaton Evidence-Based Substance Abuse Counseling Program. Substance abuse services are a core function within the ecosystem of H.A.S. It is the proposed activity for the H.A.S. Wheaton Evidence-Based Substance Abuse Counseling Program to serve residents in DuPage in need of substance abuse treatment services. H.A.S. Wheaton aimed to serve a total of 715 clients over the course of FY17. Those that will benefit from the Program will be DuPage residents who need substance abuse treatment services and this activity is aligned with H.A.S.'s agency mission and experience. H.A.S.'s agency mission is to provide a continuum of multicultural and bilingual (English/Spanish) behavioral care and social services that empower individuals, families, and communities through its delivery of effective and evidence-based substance abuse treatment. For the past fifteen years, H.A.S. has had a physical presence in DuPage, first in Glen Ellyn and then in Wheaton. H.A.S. Wheaton strives to educate the DuPage community of the importance of substance abuse awareness, and to ensure that DuPage residents have access to the substance abuse treatment services that H.A.S. Wheaton offers to the DuPage community.

Progress Report 1

H.A.S. Wheaton began working to meet its goal of serving seventy-five more participants than the previous year. Efforts were made to improve its visibility in the DuPage area and to educate the community on the substance abuse treatment services the agency offers. Collaborations were developed between H.A.S. and area social service providers including NAMI of DuPage County, DuPage PADS, Central DuPage Hospital, and DuPage Mental Health Collaborative.

Progress Report 2

H.A.S. Wheaton met its goal of serving more than seventy-five more participants than the previous year. The Wheaton office worked successfully to improve its visibility in the DuPage area and worked to educate the community on the substance abuse treatment services the agency offers. Collaborations have been developed between H.A.S. and area social service providers including NAMI of DuPage County, DuPage PADS, Central DuPage Hospital, and DuPage Mental Health Collaborative.



Humanitarian Service Project

Senior Citizen Project

Organization Information

465 Randy Rd
Carol Stream, IL 60188

Tel: 630-221-8340

Fax: 630-221-8371

Website: www.hsp.agency

EIN: 36-3187979

Official Amount: \$ 25,000.00

The Humanitarian Service Project (HSP) received funding to support its Senior Citizen Project. This program has been in operation since 1982, and in its current form serves 134 low-income seniors (98% of whom reside in DuPage County.) Each senior enrolled in the program receives a 95-100 lb. grocery delivery each month which contains fresh produce, meat, bread, non-perishables, and paper goods. These deliveries are designed to provide impoverished seniors nutritious food they otherwise would have no access to, allowing them the opportunity to maintain their health, and remain independent and self-sufficient.

Progress Report 1

HSP was successful in its goal through the first six months of the grant period, with 100% of the enrolled seniors reporting no food insecurity while being enrolled in the program. Due to being made aware of clients need, HSP had an enrollment of 136 seniors during the grant period instead of 135.

Progress Report 2

HSP's stated Outcome Measure on its Revised Costs and Activities form was "HSP will deliver 90- 100 lbs. of groceries to 135 low-income senior citizens every month to prevent food insecurity. (1,620 total deliveries)." HSP was successful in exceeding this goal as, shortly after the start of the grant period, the enrollment of the program was elevated to 136 seniors which is the current enrollment of the program, with 100% reporting no occurrences of food insecurity.



Literacy Volunteers of America - DuPage, Inc.

Accessible and Customized Adult Literacy Tutoring

Organization Information

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Naperville, IL 60540

Tel: 630-416-6699

Fax: 630-416-9465

Website: www.literacydupage.org

EIN: 36-3749739

DUNS: 604802850

Official Amount: \$ 25,000.00

Literacy DuPage aims to break the cycle of adults with low literacy living in poverty and struggling to find work, remain healthy, and support their families. For 45 years, Literacy DuPage – a community-based, non-profit organization – has been committed to offering adult language instruction and support to residents with limited English proficiency in DuPage County. The vision is to empower adults, families, and communities through literacy with a mission to help adults achieve their goals through accessible and customized tutoring. Literacy DuPage serves immigrants, refugees, and/or the economically disadvantaged seeking to increase their English skills. Annually, 500 adult learners receive English-as-a-Second-Language and Adult Basic Literacy tutoring provided by trained volunteers for two hours per week in one-on-one and small group settings. Throughout the County, tutoring occurs at a convenient time and place for the learner. The program is learner driven, focusing on life achievement skills for adults who are unable to access traditional English classes due to barriers such as transportation, childcare or work schedule obstacles, offering flexible instruction tailored to meet individual's learning needs. Activities of the program include recruitment, training and continuous support of over 400 volunteer tutors, coordination and support of tutoring pairs, referrals to human services for adult learners, and regular measurement and accountability for learning progress.

Progress Report 1

Project was on track to achieve outcomes.

Progress Report 2

A total of 165 learners reported life skill gains in the areas of family, employment, and community membership. 159 gained 3,300 new skills as a family member in the areas of healthy lifestyle, consumer skills, and increased involvement in their children's education. 130 gained 812 new skills in their role as an employee, keeping their jobs and/or improving their job skills and job training. 153 gained 1,411 new skills as a community member.



Little City Foundation

Community Living Program

Organization Information

1760 W Algonquin Rd
Palatine, IL 60067-4799

Tel: 847-358-5510

Fax: 847-303-0015

Website: www.littlecity.org

EIN: 36-2434562

DUNS: 069962314

Official Amount: \$ 7,500.00

The organization's mission is to ensure that people with intellectual and developmental disabilities are provided with the best options and opportunities to live safely, work productively, explore creatively, and learn continuously throughout their lifetime. A comprehensive program portfolio includes: job training and employment placement, foster care, adoption and home-based family support, respite care, health, and recreation, equine-assisted therapy, participation in an on-site day school, an arts program, and First Responders Public Safety Project. Having merged with Countryside Association in 2016, 1,160 individuals who are of low- moderate income were served. It is incumbent upon Little City to provide for their welfare and ensure they are recipients of a safe and supportive environment. Sixty percent of the adults are over 50 years of age, and are experiencing physical changes or significant memory loss. Twenty-five adults, with profound challenges or intellectual and developmental disabilities, reside in DuPage County CILA homes and require 24/7 care and supervision. The commitment is creating the brightest future possible so that they may "age in place" and remain in their homes for as long as they choose. The project ensures they receive quality care, participate in community activities, successfully interact with the public and First Responders, are self-sufficient and independent.

Progress Report 1

N/A

Progress Report 2

There were no new clients in the last 6 months of the project.



Loaves & Fishes Community Services

Loaves & Fishes CARES Programs

Organization Information

1871 High Grove Ln
Naperville, IL 60540

Tel: 630-355-3663

Fax: 630-355-0562

Website: www.loaves-fishes.org

EIN: 36-3786777

DUNS: 0273404750

Official Amount: \$ 32,000.00

Effective July 1, 2016, Naperville CARES and Loaves & Fishes Community Services merged with the mission to provide food and leadership in the community by uniting and mobilizing resources to empower people to be self-sufficient. The homeless prevention programs of Naperville CARES were integrated into what was formerly known as the Loaves & Fishes Client Engagement Model and renamed the Loaves & Fishes CARES Programs. These programs now include emergency assistance, car donation, resource meetings, public benefits applications, tax preparation, job search assistance, legal assistance, and the newest program, Moving Up. Through community partnerships, Loaves & Fishes is also a site for PRC's computer training, ELA through COD, financial literacy through DHOC and Naperville Bank & Trust, and counseling through Samaritan Interfaith and Fox Valley Institute. Loaves & Fishes and Naperville CARES have a combined 47 years of serving low-income residents of DuPage County and the goal of the Loaves & Fishes CARES Programs is to connect individuals to programs that will help them overcome barriers to being self-sufficient in meeting all their basic needs. The Loaves & Fishes CARES programs will serve 1,300 households (3,600 individuals). Most programs are held at 1871 High Grove Ln, but Moving Up is held at St. Thomas the Apostle, 1500 Brookdale Rd in Naperville, and some DHOC classes will be held at the DuPage County building.

Progress Report 1

15 cars were donated in the first 6 months (HH's contained 47 residents); of the 53% (8) survey respondents, 87.5% (7) were still employed, 100% (8) still owned car, and 100% (8) car had improved their lives. The Moving Up program began in January so first six months was 0. 164 HH (494 individuals), or 100% of those seeking resources, were connected to a program, (for many, more than one). L&F programs accounted for more than half the referrals, with job search support being the leading referral.

Progress Report 2

18 HH's (40 residents) received a car; early survey calls were made. 12 (66%) responded. 100% said they 1) owned the car, 2) were employed, 3) car improved their lives. 10 of 14 (71%) individuals (28 residents) completed Moving Up; 5 signed up for Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS). By graduation, 2 increased their income and 1 entered Bridge program. 190 HH's (617 residents) had a resource meeting. 100% were connected to at least one program. L&F programs were half of referrals led by job search support and food.



Love INC of Western Suburbs, Chicago

LOVE Help

Organization Information

P.O. Box 50
Clarendon Hills, IL 60514

Tel: 630-512-8673

Fax: 630-512-8675

Website: www.love-cc.org

EIN: 36-3377798

DUNS: is 02 801 6736.

Official Amount: \$ 20,000.00

The LOVE Help Project will operate an 8-telephone line call-in center, open 35 hours a week, providing education about and referrals to community resources to help families move forward toward self-sufficiency, and offer financial assistance to prevent homeless situations from occurring. The LOVE Help Project will benefit 3,650 DuPage County residents annually (in 2017). 3,036 people will benefit through community education regarding programs providing food, clothing, shelter, counseling or other services to gain the skills necessary to move forward in their lives. Another 614 people will benefit from \$70,000 in privately funded financial assistance to help with rent, a utility or a car repair to access work to prevent a homeless situation from occurring and increasing the families' stability and well-being. The project will benefit mainly low-income families with children (69% below 30% MFI). All races, ages and genders benefit. Two part-time staff and the volunteer workforce from local churches aligns with its mission to mobilize local churches to transform lives and communities in the name of Christ. For 32 years, through compassionate listening and interaction, volunteers have educated and linked callers with targeted resources to address a variety of needs – financial, emotional, relational, spiritual, and mental – providing each person with the appropriate tools to move forward in their lives. The project address is located at 98 E Chicago Ave, Westmont

Progress Report 1

Outcome Measure 1 Goal: On track to meet goal.

Outcome Measure 2 Goal: On track to meet goal; (60% of the total referral clients occurred during the November to April time period).

Progress Report 2

Outcome Measure #1 Goal for the 12-month period: 444 people will avoid eviction 90 days after financial assistance was provided/Actual: 445 people remained housed after 90 days.

Outcome Measure #2 Goal for the 12-month period: 2,036 people will find solutions to their needs within 30 days after receiving referrals to community resources/Actual: 1,899 people were helped by referrals to community resources.



Marklund Children's Home

Marklund Philip Center Residential Program

Organization Information

1S450 Wyatt Dr
Geneva, IL 60134

Tel: 630-593-5500

Fax: 630-593-5501

Website: www.marklund.org

EIN: 36-2652532

DUNS: 068477512

Official Amount: \$ 15,000.00

The Marklund Philip Center residential program provides highly specialized care that addresses the unique and complex medical and therapeutic needs of children and young adults with developmental disabilities. Marklund's mission is to make everyday life possible for individuals with profound disabilities and has been operating in DuPage County since its founding in 1954. The Philip Center residential program takes place at 164 S Prairie Ave in Bloomingdale, IL. The Philip Center is a 24-hour residential nursing facility for medically complex/developmentally disabled individuals. It provides the necessary holistic care for 21 residents with severe disabilities and addresses activities of daily living (hygiene), case management, therapy (physical, occupational, speech, recreational, music, aquatic), medical, housing, nutrition, and socialization. Nurse's aides work directly with the residents to help with all activities. Nurses provide and oversee medical care, such as medication administration, gastronomy tube feedings, nebulizer and respiratory treatments and tracheostomy suctioning. Marklund employs a full team of therapists who schedule groups and one-on-one treatment sessions to work with residents on maintaining or improving skills. Marklund maintains a low staffing ratio of 1:5 staff to resident to best meet resident needs. Marklund expects to serve 22 individuals (typically one resident passes away each year, and Marklund admits a new individual).

Progress Report 1

There was a fluctuation in resident counts the first half of the year. Three residents passed away, and two new residents were admitted. Medication administration rates averaged 100% success. The percentage of residents without skin breakdown averaged 100%. Those participating in 4 monthly outings/activities averaged 97.5%.

Progress Report 2

Marklund admitted one new resident in this 6-month period who met all the outcome measures, and all other residents continued to meet all outcome measures throughout the remaining six months.



Metropolitan Asian Family Services

Asian Human Services Program

Organization Information

1032 E Ogden Ave
Naperville, IL 60563

Tel: 847-312-3106

Fax: 630-307-6477

Website: www.mafsinc.com

EIN: 36-3925432

DUNS: 883637704

Official Amount: \$ 15,000.00

The Metropolitan Asian Family Services (MAFS) received funding to support the under-served Asian immigrant community residing in DuPage County with the proposed activities of providing basic needs (food, clothing, furniture, medical), counseling/support/treatment, case management, and client advocacy. The annual target number of clients who will benefit is 300. MAFS's mission is to deliver comprehensive and integrated services to the immigrant populations from Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, India, and East European communities confronting linguistic and cultural barriers. MAFS has over 23 years of experience in working with Asian immigrants, providing social services, educating this population on accessing services and on how to navigate the system. The proposed activities are aligned with MAFS's mission and core commitment to assist, counsel, educate, and empower Asian immigrants to become productive members of American society.

Progress Report 1

MAFS is a very well-known organization in the community, and there are three offices in DuPage County. The number of calls received has been much more than one staff member can handle, so volunteers help take calls, make copies, and drive seniors to public benefit offices near their homes. This grant needs three persons with English-language sufficiency expertise and knowledge of American rules and regulations.

Progress Report 2

MAFS has exceeded the number of people promised (100) and served (270 people total) in the grant period of 2017. 150 people were served in the first six months, 120 more people in the community were served in this period. 100 new clients were served with Medicaid and SNAP benefits, as well as 18 with Medicare and 2 All Kids.



Metropolitan Family Services

Psychiatric Services and Mental Health Counseling

Organization Information

1 N Dearborn St., Ste 1000
Chicago, IL 60602

Tel: 312-986-4145

Fax: 312-986-4334

Website: www.metrofamily.org

EIN: 36-2167940

DUNS: 079745246

Official Amount: \$ 25,000.00

The project will provide psychiatric evaluations and medication management, home and office based mental health assessments, and counseling to children, adolescents, and adults (including older adults). 50 persons will benefit from the proposed funding. Metropolitan Family Services DuPage (MFSD) serves all 33 DuPage communities with a special emphasis on low-income and working poor families, and has done so for over 30 years. The agency's mission is to provide and mobilize the services needed to strengthen families and communities. This mission is furthered by making high quality mental health services more accessible and available to vulnerable at-risk families, including those families with limited income or who have recently become insured but have few options to affordable services within their community. MFSD through its four DuPage County locations and with the provision of home visiting services to seniors make these critical supports highly attainable. Program sites in addition to the agency address at 222 E Willow Ave, Wheaton include 1999 W 75th St, Woodridge; 27475 Ferry Rd, Warrenville; and 209 N York Rd, Elmhurst.

Progress Report 1

There were 94 new clients. Services included: Mental Health Assessment (MHA), Psycho-Social Assessment (general counseling uses this for their MH screening), individual therapy, group therapy, family therapy, psychiatric evaluation, and medication monitoring. Total service hours for this period were 2,010 hours, and for psychiatric/medication monitoring 227 hours. There were 91 clients who were discharged during this time frame.

Progress Report 2

There were 65 new clients, 23 of whom were seniors. Services included: MHA, Psycho-Social Assessment (general counseling uses this for their MH screening), individual therapy, group therapy, family therapy, psychiatric evaluation and medication monitoring. Total service hours for this period were 735 hours, and for psychiatric/medication monitoring 190 hours. There were 61 clients who were discharged during this time frame.



Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans (MSHV)

LCpl. Nicholas Larson Home for Veterans

Organization Information

433 S Carlton Ave
Wheaton, IL 60187

Tel: 630-871-8387

Fax: 630-653-6748

Website: <http://www.helpaveteran.org/>

EIN: 36-4337985

DUNS: 361169639

Official Amount: \$ 35,000.00

MSHV requested funds to pay for a portion of staff salaries at the LCpl. Nicolas Larson Home for Veterans located at 119 N West St, Wheaton. The mission of the MSHV is to provide veterans and their families with housing and support services that lead to self-sufficiency. Since 2007, through the Larson Home's highly-structured transitional housing program, US veterans have received food, shelter, clothing, therapy, case management, relapse prevention services, employment services, budgeting and money management assistance, as well as assistance with securing mainstream benefits and permanent affordable housing. Residents have also benefited from training courses such as life, communication, computer and social skills development, as well as access to full medical services through Hines VA. Effective 10/1/17, in accordance with the VA's new plan and vision for ending veteran homelessness, MSHV anticipates shifting the Larson program to a Housing First model focused on securing permanent housing as quickly as possible, generally not to exceed 90 days. Veterans will still be able to voluntarily take advantage of the full array of supportive services MSHV has offered historically. Both program models align with the mission and experience in that, veterans are helped to move from homelessness to permanent housing while offering quality support services, which we have done successfully for many years. The annual target number of clients is 12.

Progress Report 1

One exit was not considered successful, as he did not exit to permanent housing. He only stayed 18 nights and was discharged to the hospital due to required surgery and an extensive recovery period post-surgery.

Progress Report 2

Two unsuccessful exits occurred, one due to the veteran going to jail, the other due to the veteran being exited to a psychiatric hospital. Two veterans did not successfully complete the program because they did not fit into new program models and per the VA, those veterans needed to be moved into other programs by 12/31/2017. One veteran stayed with friends on a temporary basis and the other veteran went to another program in Cook County.



NAMI of DuPage County

Mental Health Supportive Services

Organization Information

115 N County Farm Rd
Wheaton, IL 60187

Tel: 630-752-0066

Fax: 630-752-1064

Website: www.namidupage.org

EIN: 36-3412057

DUNS: 782886071

Official Amount: \$ 3,532.00

The proposed activity provided supportive services to adults with mental illness who need ongoing help to recover and become self-sufficient. This includes supplementary services to clinical care, such as weekly support groups and drop-in centers, mentoring sessions with peer specialists, and education classes to create a recovery plan. Beneficiaries are adults who are at high risk of sliding into homelessness, prone to repeated relapses and hospitalizations, or involvement with the criminal justice system due to mental illness. Families and caregivers of individuals with mental illness also benefit from NAMI's education classes and weekly support groups. Services are delivered at various locations in DuPage County: all six area hospitals, The Community Center in Wheaton and drop-in centers in Naperville, Glen Ellyn, and Westmont, and other nonprofit organizations (Hopes' Front Door, People's Resource Center, DuPage Public Libraries). The guiding mission of NAMI DuPage is to improve the lives of people with mental illness and their families through education, support, and advocacy. For the last 31 years NAMI DuPage has addressed the varying needs of individuals and families affected by mental illness in DuPage County from crisis through recovery. As a testament to the efficacy of these services, numbers served went up from 12,000 in 2010 to 33,000 in FY16.

Progress Report 1

NAMI added two new support groups and two new workshops:

- Veterans Support Group (held the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month)
- Suicide Loss Connections Group for people who have lost someone to suicide (held the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month)
- Workshop for Spouses (first 4 Thursdays in October)
- Women's Wellness Workshop (began on 10/16 and ended on 11/6)

NAMI has expanded its WRAP and BASICS classes to locations in the community.

Progress Report 2

During the 12-month grant period, 57% (135 people) completed evaluations and feel they have a better understanding of mental illness after attending a NAMI education program. 85% (2,591 people) completed evaluations and indicated they feel more hopeful towards their recovery because of their participation in support groups. During the first three quarters of the fiscal year NAMI offered 42 education classes and 135 support groups.



Naperville Elderly Homes Inc.

Strengthening Low Income Seniors Access to Housing, Food and Social Activities

Organization Information

310 West Martin Ave
Naperville, IL 60540

Tel: 630-357-0909

Fax: 630-357-1699

Website: www.napervilleelderlyhomes.org

EIN: 36-2709180

DUNS: 15-5143191

Official Amount: \$ 14,754.00

Naperville Elderly Homes provides affordable housing for low-income seniors. Up to 130 low-income seniors who live in Naperville will benefit from these essential services. Demand for these services is consistently high with a waitlist of 123 people. This project is directly aligned with the mission to provide the best rental housing value for low-income senior citizens in DuPage County, thereby allowing them the option to live independently. The agency wants residents to have the opportunity to create lives of meaning and strives to provide access to food and social activities. A driver provides transportation three times per week on a fully accessible bus for up to 20 residents per ride, to multiple area grocery stores, including Jewel-Osco, Aldi, Casey's, Mariano's, Trader Joe's, and Meijer. A social director provides a wide range of social activities – birthday and holiday celebrations which include meals, movies, Bingo, musical entertainment, exercise classes, and offsite trips to Farmers' Markets, concerts, lunch, shopping, and much more. Up to 80 residents will participate in one or two social events per month.

Progress Report 1

Up to 20 people received food monthly and 18 people received food every other week.

Progress Report 2

In the past six months, six people moved out and seven moved in for a total of 128 residents.



Northeast DuPage Family and Youth Services

SPARCS Program

Organization Information

3 Friendship Plaza
Addison, IL 60101

Tel: 630-693-7934

Fax: 630-543-1069

Website: N/A

EIN: 45-0562810

DUNS: 801200093

Official Amount: \$ 3,532.00

Northeast DuPage Family and Youth Services (NEDFYS) is a community-based organization which provides high quality, low cost social services to individuals and families throughout DuPage County. NEDFYS specializes in providing crisis intervention and counseling for at-risk youth, including youth with mental health needs and those involved with the juvenile justice system. NEDFYS also works with students with a variety of identified needs at local area junior high and high schools. NEDFYS utilized funding from the HSGF to support the SPARCS program (Structured Psychotherapy for Adolescents Responding to Chronic Stress), a group therapy intervention for adolescents responding to chronic stress and/or trauma. In response to a community need for a trauma-informed intervention, NEDFYS began offering SPARCS to DuPage County juvenile justice youth, to youth involved with the DuPage County Health Department, and more recently to youth in schools. The SPARCS program intends to serve approximately 150 youth over the next year at multiple sites in DuPage County. SPARCS is a critical program for working with at-risk youth as chronic stress and trauma have been shown to significantly alter social, emotional, physiological and cognitive functioning especially in adolescents. The SPARCS program is a present-oriented, strength-based intervention that is designed to ameliorate these negative effects by building resiliency.

Progress Report 1

NEDFYS clinicians facilitated two SPARCS groups on Wednesdays from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at Glen Crest Middle School. Each group was one hour in length and comprised of six youth for a total of 12 youth being served. NEDFYS completed program intake for these two groups. Each youth completed a trauma history checklist and a pre-test to assess active trauma symptoms. Once youth completed the 12-week program, a post-test assessed program impact.

Progress Report 2

The total number of youth served in the program was 38. Of the 38 youth who were served (most were moderate to high risk), 21 successfully completed the program. Ninety percent (90%) showed a decrease in risk factors upon reassessment at program close. For the youth who did not complete the program, three were referred to more intense services, 11 failed to comply with group rules and attendance policy, and three youth moved out of the area.



Outreach Community Ministries, Inc.

Case Management

Organization Information

122 W Liberty Dr
Wheaton, IL 60187

Tel: 630-682-1910

Fax: 630-682-3094

Website: www.outreachcommunityministries.org

EIN: 237265066

DUNS: 164241820

Official Amount: \$ 25,000.00

Outreach Community Ministries (OCM) offers case management services in the communities of Wheaton, Glen Ellyn, and Carol Stream. Through partner agency, Outreach Community Services, case management services are also provided in Warrenville. This program will impact 1,200 at-risk individuals in DuPage County with case management services using the casework framework or engagement, assessment, case planning/intervention, and evaluation. Depth of services will be dependent on client need and agency resources. Limited financial assistance funds are distributed for homelessness prevention and emergency needs, provision of basic budgeting and financial goal setting assistance, and assisting clients in accessing basic income supports (i.e. food stamps and LIHEAP), with the outcome goal of increasing clients' financial self-sufficiency and stabilizing their housing. The HSG funds supported a portion of case managers' time, and services will be provided through the Case Management offices located at 122 W Liberty Dr. in Wheaton, and 345 S President St. in Carol Stream. OCM has been serving at-risk youth and adults in DuPage County since 1973. Family stabilization and youth development provide the framework for all programs. Outreach strengthens families, adults, and youth through a commitment to community-based case management services in at-risk neighborhoods and a holistic model that provides a comprehensive and accessible array of support services.

Progress Report 1

96% of clients were served year to date.

Progress Report 2

420 of the 442 (95%) new clients served in this 6-month period accessed needed services and/or funds. This year a total of 1,091 clients, and 1,031 (95%) accessed needed services and/or funds.



Parents Alliance Employment Project

WorkNet Job Readiness Training for People with Disabilities

Organization Information

2525 Cabot Dr., Ste 302
Lisle, IL 60532

Tel: 630-955-2075

Fax: 630-955-2080

Website: www.parents-alliance.org

EIN: 36-3003311

DUNS: 012924714

Official Amount: \$ 22,729.00

Parents Alliance Employment Project (PAEP) proposes to provide job readiness training to individuals with disabilities to assist them in overcoming barriers and become gainfully employed. The annual number of clients served through the project is ten. The mission of PAEP is to improve the lives of people with disabilities through individualized employment services. PAEP provides career counseling, job training/preparation, job development, job placement, and job coaching to individuals with disabilities to help them become self-sufficient and independent. As a partner within the WorkNet DuPage Career Center located in Lisle, PAEP is the main organization within the agency that provides services to specific individuals with disabilities. PAEP will help people with disabilities develop career plans, and enter into and retain employment within the community.

Progress Report 1

PAEP partnered with the Workforce Investment and Opportunity Act business services team to educate businesses on hiring people with disabilities. WorkNet DuPage and PAEP also worked together to host a job fair specifically for people with disabilities in October, which proved to be a very positive experience and resulted in four clients through this program obtaining jobs.

Progress Report 2

PAEP served more than the anticipated outcome for the program.



People's Resource Center (PRC)

Jobs, Computer Literacy, Training & Access (JCLTA)

Organization Information

201 S Naperville Rd
Wheaton, IL 60187

Tel: 630-682-5402

Fax: 630-682-5412

Website: www.peoplesrc.org

EIN: 36-3157600

DUNS: 605009588

Official Amount: \$ 20,000.00

The mission of PRC is to respond to basic human needs, promote dignity and justice, and create a future of hope and opportunity for the residents of DuPage through discovering and sharing personal and community resources. PRC's programming helps people meet their basic needs and provides education and training to lift families out of poverty. In FY16, PRC served 29,959 unique low-income clients with free food, clothing, emergency assistance, computer training and access, job coaching, literacy and art classes, as well as referrals to other service providers and federal programs. PRC's Jobs, Computer Literacy, Training and Access (JCLTA) program promotes self-sufficiency for low-income DuPage residents. This is accomplished by providing free computer classes for adults, access to free refurbished computers and computer repairs for households, job coaching, and supportive social services. In FY16, JCLTA resulted in 1,453 computer class registrations, 710 computers distributed to clients, 1,344 computer repairs, and 118 job placements. The JCLTA program serves vulnerable people who are unemployed or underemployed. 75% of clients are Extremely Low Income (0-30% of MFI). The average age of a client in JCLTA programming is nearly 50 years old, has some post-secondary education, and experiences multiple barriers to employment. While participants are generally adults, benefits extend to the entire household. The FY17 target number served by JCLTA is 5,908 people.

Progress Report 1

99.2% of surveyed students reported PRC classes improved their computer skills and 88.2% of surveyed students searching for work reported PRC classes helped them search for better employment. 608 computer class registrants earned 314 completion certificates. Of 92 clients that received job mentoring, 34 secured new employment. 487 free computer repairs and maintenance services were administered and 98.3% of surveyed students reported their home computer is used at least once per week.

Progress Report 2: 98.4% of surveyed students reported PRC classes improved their computer skills and 86.7% of surveyed students searching for work reported PRC classes helped them search for better employment. 806 computer class registrants earned 445 completion certificates. Of 117 clients that received job mentoring, 39 secured new employment. 361 free computer repairs and maintenance services were administered and 94.7% of surveyed students reported their home computer is used at least once per week.



Prairie State Legal Services, Inc.

Crisis Intervention Legal Services Project

Organization Information

400 W Roosevelt Rd
Wheaton, IL 60187

Tel: 630-690-2130

Fax: 630-690-2279

Website: www.pslegal.org

EIN: 37-1030764

DUNS: 021434485

Official Amount: \$ 15,000.00

This project promotes self-sufficiency of clients by helping low income households to overcome obstacles to meeting their basic human needs for which a legal solution exists. This project helps protect vulnerable low-income families improperly denied needs-based benefits such as Medicaid and food stamps, or who are wrongly denied access to affordable housing. It also helps low-income households facing consumer issues which impact their ability to provide for their basic needs, such as utility terminations and wrongful garnishments of bank accounts. This project also promotes prevention in that representation will be provided to prevent evictions. The services provided include fact-finding, legal research, legal analysis, individualized legal advice, preparation of witnesses, preparation of memoranda of law, representation of clients before administrative agencies and tribunals, as well as courts of law. Legal services help clients to retain or obtain subsistence income, access to necessary medical care, and decent and affordable housing. Demand for these services has remained steady. This project aligns squarely with PSLS' mission, which includes providing "legal advice and representation to protect basic human needs." Obtaining and securing public benefits to provide a steady source of income, access to medical care, and securing access to safe and affordable housing are all basic human needs.

The annual target number of households is 335.

Progress Report 1

N/A

Progress Report 2

N/A



Ray Graham Association for People with Disabilities

Ensure people with disabilities are afforded the same legal rights and protections as all members of society

Organization Information

901 Warrenville Rd., Ste 500
Lisle, IL 60532

Tel: 630-620-2222
Fax: 630-628-1488

Website: www.raygraham.org
EIN: 36-2411166
DUNS: 068581396

Official Amount: \$ 25,000.00

The DuPage County HSGF award helped people with disabilities served by Ray Graham Association (RGA) residential programs understand and can effectively advocate for their rights. It is the mission of RGA to create opportunities that empower people with disabilities to reach, grow and achieve. Since 1950, RGA's passionate team has ensured that people with developmental disabilities achieve full inclusion in their communities. Residential programs allow people to access all the services and amenities of the DuPage County communities where they live, work, and socialize. This proposed activity will benefit 237 people who live throughout DuPage County in homes owned and managed by RGA. Residential programs include full-time (24/7) staff support. The project will be conducted at program sites in 12 municipalities: Addison, Bensenville, Bloomingdale, Downers Grove, Elmhurst, Hinsdale, Lombard, Naperville, Roselle, Villa Park, West Chicago, and Woodridge.

Progress Report 1

The goal was 25% of people served would gain confidence about exercising their rights. This is in addition to documenting the reduction/elimination of rights restrictions. During the first six months of the grant cycle, 33 people had a restriction discontinued and, of that number, six people had multiple restrictions discontinued.

Progress Report 2

In the second six months, 16 total Rights Restrictions were discontinued. Restrictions were assessed for all, but the agency was unable to remove restrictions for as many as originally anticipated. Many clients gained greater confidence in knowing and exercising their rights. The results for Outcome Measure 1 were lower than the projected 237 due to 23 people exiting the programs. There were a few assessments pending completion at the Specialized Living Center, to be completed July 2018.



Samaritan Interfaith Counseling Center, Inc.

DBA SamaraCare

Mental Health Access Program (MHAP)

Organization Information

1819 Bay Scott Cir., Ste 109
Naperville, IL 60540

Tel: 630-357-2456

Fax: 630-357-2482

Website: <http://samaracarecounseling.org/>

EIN: 36-2846570

DUNS: 151761673

Official Amount: \$ 15,000.00

Samaritan inspires hope, facilitates change, and creates lasting impact on individuals, families, and organizations. For 45 years compassionate care has been offered through counseling, education, and consulting. Offices in Naperville and Downers Grove serve the entire DuPage County area. A fee-subsidized counseling, preventative educational programs and a confidential online screening are provided. During this grant period, at least 5,376 hours of therapy to 448 clients and their participating family members for a total of 567 served, as well as 15 educational programs and 225 screenings, will be provided. The MHAP serves individuals, couples and families who cannot afford the full cost of care. A Fee Subsidy Scale and Alternate Fee Subsidy Application determine program eligibility. Clients range from as young as 2 years old to over 92 years old and deal with a broad range of issues including depression, anxiety and PTSD. The Latino community is served with bilingual and bicultural staff. Samaritan also delivers services on site at Loaves & Fishes Community Services (L&F) located at 1871 High Grove Ln, Naperville, IL 60540. At no cost to the client, highly-qualified, doctoral-level students in clinical psychology who are closely supervised by Samaritan clinical staff, offer mental health care for those who would otherwise be unable to access care. At least 100 hours of clinical services to 70 people and 50 screenings will be delivered at this location.

Progress Report 1

The Global Assessment Function Scale (GAF) is administered at the beginning of care and then again after ten sessions (or the end of treatment; whichever comes first). An increase in GAF indicates improvements in the ability to cope with life stressors and increased self-sufficiency. During this period, 72% of clients who reported a change in GAF saw an increase in their score.

Progress Report 2

The Global Assessment Function Scale is a tool widely used by providers. The GAF is administered at the beginning of care and then again after ten sessions (or the end of treatment; whichever comes first). An increase in GAF indicates improvements in the ability to cope with life stressors and increased self-sufficiency. During this time, 75% of clients who reported a change in GAF saw an increase of five points or more in their score.



Senior Home Sharing Inc

Affordable Senior Housing Support Services

Organization Information

711 E. Roosevelt Rd
Wheaton, IL 60187

Tel: 630-407-0440

Fax: 630-407-0441

Website: www.seniorhomesharing.org

EIN: 36-3246634

DUNS: 825921158

Official Amount: \$ 4,500.00

The need for affordable housing is well-documented at the national, state, and local level. This issue is particularly relevant for low-income older adults who are living on fixed incomes. Established in 1981 as a not-for-profit organization, Senior Home Sharing's mission is to provide low-income seniors an opportunity to live independently in an affordable family style home. Two homes nestled within the residential communities of Downers Grove and Lombard in DuPage County. The homes are an integral part of the neighborhood life with access to parks, recreational activities, houses of worship, and shopping. Each of the homes can accommodate six to seven seniors. Each resident has a private room and the common areas of the home are shared. There is a live-in residence manager at each home that prepares three meals per day, performs light housekeeping, provides medication reminders and oversees the activities of the home. A social worker completes an assessment on each new resident, links the senior with community, health and social services as needed, and works with the resident throughout their stay to ensure their needs are met. A grant is requested to cover partial salary support for the social work/case management services provided to residents. This program activity is the cornerstone of the program and is directly aligned with the mission and goals. The annual target is 20 clients.

Progress Report 1

N/A

Progress Report 2

N/A



Serenity House Counseling Services

2017 Rebuilding Family Systems & Substance Use Disorder Treatment

Organization Information

891 S Rohlwing Rd
Addison, IL 60101

Tel: 630-620-6616

Fax: N/A

Website: www.serenityhouse.com

EIN: 36-3350438

DUNS: 604987305

Official Amount: \$ 25,000.00

For more than 30 years, Serenity House has consistently provided quality substance abuse recovery services for residents of DuPage County and the surrounding communities. Each year, Serenity House provides services to hundreds of men and women through programs focused on a holistic approach to substance abuse treatment. Serenity House's goal is to reintegrate men and women in the community as productive citizens. Serenity House's mission is to improve their overall quality of life and provide guidance and support through the reintegration process with their families. Serenity House will implement its "Rebuilding Family Systems" program for parents and will expand the program to accommodate other family members in the 2017 grant period (target number of clients: 102). Research by the Child Welfare Information Gateway indicates that family engagement is critical to achieving the goal of family reunification. Rebuilding Family Systems provides parenting instruction for parents or guardians, children, and other family members. Clients will participate in weekly integrated substance abuse counseling and monthly family therapy; twice monthly individual and group education sessions; monthly family education or counseling sessions; and quarterly family activities with an emphasis on socialization and reunification. Serenity House firmly believes that by expanding its program to include other family members will increase the likelihood of eventual family reunification.

Progress Report 1

34 participants demonstrated enriched communication skills that improved their parenting skills and family relationships. However, the schedules of the participant's families often conflicted with scheduled family education and dinner. Therefore, family time spent with participants was limited. To meet the schedules of the families, the following events are also provided: Family Reunification Picnic, weekly Family Education sessions, and Family Pancake Breakfasts.

Progress Report 2

32 clients were served for individual parenting sessions. Monthly education and dinners were provided for the family members and clients to engage family members with the recovery process as well as providing opportunities for family reunification. It provided opportunities for parents to engage with their children as well as help families decrease the stigma of addiction.



Sharing Connections

Helping Our Neighbors in Need in DuPage County

Organization Information

5111 Chase Ave
Downers Grove, IL 60515

Tel: 630-971-0565 x228

Fax: 630-971-9594

Website: www.sharingconnections.org

EIN: 36-4363123

DUNS: 867582012

Official Amount: \$ 20,000.00

Founded in 1986, Sharing Connections is a 501(c)3 organization operating out of a 9,000 square-foot Downers Grove warehouse to collect and sort donated and gently-used furniture, home furnishings, clothing, and toys for distribution to low-income individuals who have secured housing, but have little or no means for obtaining the items needed to create safe and healthy home environments for themselves and their families. The mission is to share good things with good people and the vision is to ensure that tonight, everyone eats at a table and sleeps in a bed. More than 6,000 people in and around DuPage County are assisted each year, who are the previously homeless, domestic violence survivors, veterans, refugees, immigrants, those living in poverty, and those recovering from fire/flood. Clients, or guests, are referred by social services agencies (partner agents). Each guest is assessed a \$50 fee to “purchase” the items and take ownership of their participation. The value of goods received by guests was approximately \$1700/family in 2016. Each guest also receives a Resource Card (English/Spanish) with information on rent, utilities, food, employment, and healthcare. Sharing Connections is often the last step on their journey to self-sufficiency. Finally, any goods that do not meet the agency’s quality standards are sent to recycling companies, and items that do not fit the mission are sent over to other local agencies.

Progress Report 1

While the organization continuously trains social service agents, Sharing Connections was more proactive this year about training additional agents from those agencies directly impacted by staff reductions resulting from State budget cuts so that those agencies may continue to offer services to their clients in DuPage County. As a result, 1,059 DuPage County residents were served between May 1, 2017 and October 31, 2017, almost twice the number served during the same period in 2016.

Progress Report 2

There was more focus this year on expanding services into geographical areas around Chicago where the need continues to increase but resources remained limited, particularly to individuals and families in need in DuPage and Will counties. The goal was to serve 3,500 DuPage County residents during the entire grant period, however, 3,970 residents were served between November 1, 2017 and April 30, 2018 reporting period alone.



Spectrios Institute for Low Vision

Vision Services for Visually Impaired and At-Risk Patients

Organization Information

219E Cole Ave
Wheaton, IL 60187

Tel: 630-690-7115

Fax: 630-690-9037

Website: www.spectrios.org

EIN: 36-3083157

DUNS: 181409566

Official Amount: \$ 9,600.00

Spectrios has provided visual rehabilitation services in Wheaton, IL since 1986. The mission is to assist children and adults with visual impairments that cannot be corrected surgically, medically, or with conventional glasses (also known as low vision). Also served are those at risk for severe vision loss due to a genetic predisposition, a medical condition such as diabetes or who are in the beginning stages of conditions such as macular degeneration, or glaucoma. The goal is to empower individuals with vision loss, to optimize their visual capabilities and remain independent through participation in vision programs. Doctors are residency trained in the specialty of low vision rehabilitation. The approach to vision loss treats the whole person so patients not only see better but feel better about themselves. This grant will provide approximately 180 DuPage County residents ages 4 and older, who are in the extremely low or very low-income level on the HUD Chart with access to the following services: low vision patients – free low vision eye exams, a prescription for glasses if needed, counseling to cope with their visual impairment, training in daily living skills, assistive technology training, and education regarding their vision loss; at-risk patients – comprehensive eye exams, a prescription for glasses (if needed), education on the importance of annual eye exams, risk factors for vision loss, and healthy habits for good vision.

Progress Report 1

21 clients created an individual low vision plan outcome; 13 created individual low vision plan. 21 of the 43 individuals were diabetic. Some were unaware diabetes can cause blindness. Doctors educated on the importance of monitoring their sugar levels and healthy vision habits. Nine patients were veterans, many from the Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans. Referrals from Access DuPage and Humanitarian Service Project enabled the agency to serve some of the very poorest in DuPage County.

Progress Report 2

With funds remaining in the second reporting period, six people were served. Four of the six were diabetic requiring exams to check for deteriorating vision and prevent blindness. A student came from Clarewoods Academy who is considered "hard to test" because of his disability. He had a full-exam and was prescribed glasses to succeed in school. None of those served could afford services without the grant.



Teen Parent Connection, Inc.

Adolescent Family Strengthening

Organization Information

475 Taft Ave
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Tel: 630-790-8433

Fax: 630-790-4530

Website: www.teenparentconnection.org

EIN: 36-3387034

DUNS: 942551057

Official Amount: \$ 35,000.00

Teen Parent Connection (TPC) serves the unmet needs of an at-risk population: teenage parents (ages 12-22) and their children (ages 0-5). After 30 years of service, TPC remains the only agency in DuPage County solely focused on teen pregnancy, parenting, and prevention. Its mission is to serve the community through education on the realities and responsibilities of teenage pregnancy and through long-term support to adolescent parents for their development of self-esteem, parenting skills, and empowerment toward self-sufficiency. Its Family Strengthening programs address the unique needs of pregnant and parenting teenagers by providing a continuum of care - offering support from before birth and through their child's first five and most formative years of life. These programs offer families a long-term continuum of support and education, including: childbirth education classes, home visitation services, parent support groups, individual and family counseling, and a parent's pantry. The target number of clients to be served this year is 540. Each one of these programs is designed to positively impact parental knowledge and behavior, decrease stress, improve family functioning, and increase access to resources. When compared to national averages, Teen Parent Connection participants experience remarkably positive outcomes, including a significant decrease in risk factors associated with family violence, child abuse, and neglect.

Progress Report 1

Parent comments on how their life improved since beginning the program:

"TPC has helped me overcome the fear of failing as a parent. I'm more motivated and have goals."

"I've furthered my education."

"I learned milestones and how to help if my baby is not reaching them."

85% of parents demonstrated a low risk for abuse by showing improvements in positive parenting beliefs, knowledge, and practices (Measure: Adult-Adolescent Parenting Inventory).

Progress Report 2

516 young parents were served during this grant period. After six months of programming, 76% of participants demonstrated nurturing parenting attitudes and a low risk for abuse (Measure: Adult Adolescent Parenting Inventory).



The Community House

The Community House Community Based Outpatient Mental Health Care

Organization Information

415 W 8th St
Hinsdale, IL 60521

Tel: 630-323-7500

Fax: 630-323-7510

Website: www.thecommunityhouse.org

EIN: 36-2167735

DUNS: 039002985

Official Amount: \$ 15,000.00

The Community House Counseling Center (TCH) received \$15,000 to fund the continued provision of vital outpatient mental health care to under-served populations, including those who are uninsured and live below 80% of the median family income (MFI) in DuPage County. As a community mental health provider, TCH serves children, adolescents, adults, and seniors. The Counseling Center provides weekly psychotherapy for all clients, including those with extremely low or low-socioeconomic status, as determined by the Median Family Income Levels for DuPage County. All modes of treatment are available: individual, group, couples, family, and parent education. Requested funding includes support of low-income clients served. 100% of the 151 clients served in this program are DuPage county residents with 70% of those clients of extremely-low to median income. The project aligns with the overall mission of The Community House: to build community by providing inspiring opportunities for learning, social support, and recreation. Through athletics, theater, volunteer activities, education and therapeutic services, a difference is made in the lives of thousands of people each year.

Progress Report 1

N/A

Progress Report 2

80% of clients in therapy for at least six months achieved at least two of their defined goals.

80% of the clients reported they understood the correlation between factors that contribute. The report of clients meeting outcomes measures was based on clients that have been enrolled in at least six months of services, not on the number served during the past six months.



Turning Pointe Autism Foundation

Career College

Organization Information

1500 W Ogden Ave
Naperville, IL 60540

Tel: 630-570-7948

Fax: N/A

Website: turningpointeautismfoundation.org

EIN: 26-1286022

DUNS: 008470659

Official Amount: \$ 3,532.00

The mission is to assist children, individuals, and families as they navigate through the lifelong impact of autism. The Career College will benefit individuals impacted by autism, families, community members, and corporate partners. Career College is an educational opportunity for individuals impacted by autism and other social and communication disorders. The college format offers an innovative approach to teaching life, social, and work readiness skills. Instruction is highly individualized and focuses on the development of skills and adaptive strategies that will support an individual's success in school, in the work place, and in life. The curriculum is designed as a comprehensive program. The need is recognized to provide students access to curriculum on a full-time or part-time basis. Students may choose to register to earn a Certificate of Completion or may choose to take independent courses. With more of its graduates now in the field, the agency will target approximately 62 clients, including current students and graduates registered for Career Mentor Support. The agency is committed to preparing every student for independence and sustainable employment to ensure students retain employment. To support this goal, the Career Mentor Program is available to all students who complete the required coursework. It provides on-the-job support with the transition from classroom to career.

Progress Report 1

The number of individuals increased as there were more Career College graduates in the field receiving Career Mentor support.

Progress Report 2

The number of individuals increased again as there were more Career College graduates in the field receiving Career Mentor support.



United Cerebral Palsy Seguin of Greater Chicago

UCP Seguin CLIMB Employment and Life Skills Program

Organization Information

3100 Central Ave
Cicero, IL 60804-3987

Tel: 708-863-3803

Fax: 708-863-3863

Website: www.ucspeguin.org

EIN: 36-2894174

DUNS: 010605426

Official Amount: \$ 3,532.00

The CLIMB program provides a full range of employment, vocational, and life-skills training services. In the past year, it has served 35 adults with developmental disabilities, and for this year, it expects to serve 40 adults with such disabilities. Participants range in age, but many have recently transitioned from secondary special education programs. This program supports them in "taking steps up the ladder of success" in several vital areas of life. Employment services and vocational experiences include food preparation training and job readiness training, placement, and coaching supports in community worksites and in UCP Seguin's two Seguin Enterprises businesses. Life skills and other training services include: acquisition of money handling skills; health; reading; computer literacy; community safety; cooking; exercise and movement therapy; arts enrichment; horticulture therapy; daily living skills enhancement; communication and social skills training; and, activities that provide real-life interactions with other people. The acquisition of these skills is critical if persons with developmental disabilities are to "achieve their potential, advance their independence, and act as full members of the community" - three key tenets of UCP Seguin's mission. It has provided such services since the 1980s. The program recently moved to its new facility at 17-19 E Park Blvd in Villa Park. This larger space will serve up to 40 participants annually.

Progress Report 1

During the past six months UCP Seguin CLIMB increased its enrollment to serve the 40 individuals projected in the original application. The newly renovated CLIMB center in Villa Park has served as a well-located base of operations to address program goals for people with developmental disabilities, with access to multiple community venues (work-sites, educational venues, fitness activity sites, etc.), while also offering safe, accessible and functional environments within the center.

Progress Report 2

For the second six-month period, program participants with developmental disabilities in the UCP Seguin CLIMB initiative met/exceeded the target in two outcomes (attaining job skills through community work, demonstrating functional skills by locating items on a grocery list) while coming close to the targeted level for a third outcome (successfully and safely crossing streets).



Wayne/Winfield Area Youth/Family Services (WAYS)

WAYS' Camp for High-Risk Youth

Organization Information

27W031 North Ave
West Chicago, IL 60185

Tel: 630-231-7166 x132

Fax: 630-231-1780

Website: ways4change.org

EIN: 36-3283081

DUNS: 02-878-128

Official Amount: \$ 3,532.00

WAYS overall agency mission targets growth of youth and families to improve community life, mostly working with low-income families with high-risk youth. With limited budget, WAYS began a summer day camp program in 2006 to address the need for low income families that would be faced in summer with choosing between giving up low-income jobs or finding an affordable, safe place for their children. However, most clients still could not afford camp since 87% of WAYS' clients are at the 30% MFI. Last year with the grant from DuPage County and a commitment to address the lowest income level, WAYS added 12 high-risk youth at the 30% MFI level family income level with staff. For FY 2017, WAYS will again provide at least 12 scholarships toward summer day camp that targets the lowest-income, high-risk families at 30% MFI, that are trying to become or maintain self-sufficiency while working at minimal wage jobs. Last year, 100% of the 12 slots were filled by the 30% MFI group. In addition to the 12 slots targeted, camp addressed the need of single parents and clients in moderate income categories. Those families would have been reduced to a lower MFI categories had they had to stop working. WAYS sliding-scale allowed them to maintain employment and not decrease income to fall into a lowest category either by losing their income for the summer and perhaps not being able to resume employment after the summer.

Progress Report 1

Camp was completed August 18, 2017

Progress Report 2

Camp was completed August 18, 2017



West Suburban Community Pantry

West Suburban Community Pantry

Organization Information

6809 Hobson Valley Dr., Ste 118
Woodridge, IL 60517

Tel: 630-512-9921

Fax: 630-512-9921

Website: www.wcpinc.org

EIN: 36-3857072

DUNS: 786370655

Official Amount: \$ 25,000.00

West Suburban Community Pantry (WSCP) offers food for the hungry and resources to empower persons to improve their quality of life. Its vision is a community without hunger. WSCP conducts on-site food distribution five times per week (Tuesdays 8:30-11:30 AM and 1:30- 3:30 PM, Thursdays 8:30-11:30 AM and 5:30-7:30 PM, and Saturdays 8:30-11:30 AM). Twice per month, eligible clients may receive a full food distribution order (typically 125 pounds). Each Monday (10:00 AM to 12:00 noon), clients may come to the Pantry for supplemental distributions of bread and fresh produce. In addition, supplemental programs are provided to serve the most vulnerable populations. These include: School breakfast daily for nearly 1,300 children; Weekend backpacks filled with shelf stable food for more than 100 families per week; A pilot summer feeding program reaching 30 children twice per week; and, Food delivery for 20 home bound seniors. WSCP distributed more than 1.3M pounds of food in FY16; 77% of clients were extremely low income (0-30% MFI), 20% were very low income (31-50% MFI), and 3% were low income (51-80% MFI). Clients were 35% White; 35% African American; 4% Asian; 21% Hispanic/Latino, and 5% other. Adults (48%), seniors (11%), and children (41%) were reached. WSCP seeks a \$50,000 grant for food distribution and enhanced supportive services offered to clients, approximately 37,500 low income residents of DuPage County, during the May 2017 – April 2018 program year.

Progress Report 1

Food Distribution: From May–September, WSCP served an average of 3,927 clients/month – well above projection of serving 3,125 clients/month. **Case Management:** WSCP helped clients complete SNAP and Access DuPage applications, referred them to Sharing Connections and Repeat Boutique, and connected clients to financial assistance at Hope’s Front Door and job assistance at the Goodwill Workforce Center. **Senior Home Delivery:** Reach grew steadily; 25 seniors/month have home delivery.

Progress Report 2

Food Distribution: In the 1st six months, WSCP served 21,313 individuals, and in the 2nd six months 25,880 individuals were served (total: 47,193; average: 3,932/month). **Case Management:** In the 1st six months, 36 clients were served, and in the 2nd six months 32 clients were served (total: 68 clients received case management services). **Senior Home Delivery:** In the 1st six months, 25 seniors and in the 2nd six months an additional 2 were served (total: 27; average: 24 seniors served/month).



World Relief DuPage Aurora

Refugee Family Strengthening Program

Organization Information

1825 College Ave., Ste 230
Wheaton, IL 60555

Tel: 630-462-7566

Fax: 630-462-8103

Website: www.worldreliefdupage.com

EIN: 23-6393344

DUNS: 077078194

Official Amount: \$ 21,000.00

World Relief DuPage (WRDA) is a not-for-profit agency that resettles refugees in DuPage County. A refugee is a person forced to flee his or her country because of persecution, war, or violence. They often arrive in the U.S. after going through many traumatic experiences. The mission of WRDA Relief is to, together with the community, holistically serve the most vulnerable, by empowering refugees and their families to become fully-functioning, integrated participants in society. For the last 18 years, the Counseling Center of WRDA has been specializing in refugee mental health. It is uniquely positioned within the resettlement agency, having access to refugees and taking advantage of other WR programs. Most resettled families make an adequate adjustment and reestablish their lives. The activities proposed by this project are aimed to serve those individuals and families who are struggling and need additional support to heal and overcome barriers in adjustment. WRDA will provide counseling services for 20 families (from the Middle East and Africa) whose members experienced severe trauma in their respective home countries, and display psychological symptoms that interfere with the wellness and ability to become self-sufficient. Each family will receive family counseling in addition to the individual mental health treatment of the identified clients within those families. The program will impact individuals and their families resulting in healthy adjustment and functioning.

Progress Report 1

The anticipated arrival of an increased number of refugees from the Middle East was not been realized and refugee families from other countries (Congo, Sudan, and Ukraine) have been arriving in an increased number. That resulted in some changes in ethnic population served with this program. The criteria for eligibility has remained the same - vulnerable refugee families.

Progress Report 2

The newly arrived refugees from other countries continued to arrive at a slow pace. However, African families struggled in their adjustments (Congo, Sudan), and have been served with this project in an increased number.



Xilin Association

Improving Health & Social Well-Being for Underserved Asian Seniors

Organization Information

1163 E Ogden Ave., Ste 301
Naperville, IL 60563

Tel: 630-355-4322

Fax: 630-355-4326

Website: xilin.org

EIN: 36-3890616

DUNS: 076265656

Official Amount: \$ 3,532.00

To improve the health, social well-being, and self-sufficiency of the underserved elderly Asian population in DuPage County, Xilin's project provided the following activities: assist low-income families with applying for social benefits, basic medical checkups and screenings for the uninsured, and ESL classes to help new immigrants improve their language abilities. The people who will benefit from the activities will be new Asian senior immigrants who are classified as one or more of the following: low-income and uninsured; those who lack English proficiency and means of reliable transportation; and those who are unable to access social benefit programs. The proposal is to provide at least 650 units of service. Xilin Association has served the Asian community in suburban Chicago for over 26 years. Its experience with social services in this field gives them a culturally relevant advantage to address the needs of the target population. This project is aligned with Xilin's mission to promote and improve the healthy transition of Asian immigrants into American society, provide Asian language and arts programs, initiate and develop community events and activities to promote Asian heritage and cross-cultural experiences among Asian Americans and other communities, and encourage interest and active involvement of the Asian community in the U.S. political process, economic development, and cultural affairs.

Progress Report 1

During the first half of the grant period, Xilin provided six workshops at People's Resource Center Wheaton and Westmont, Xilin Community Center, and Oak Tree Senior Center. At the People's Resource Centers, Xilin provided health education and basic medical checkups to the low-income families and individuals. At the senior housing and Xilin Center, education and medical screenings to Asian seniors were provided. Xilin also arranged 61 free dental checkups for seniors.

Progress Report 2

In this six-month period, Xilin performed 12 outreach events at local community centers, food pantries, and worship sites. Xilin also attended two community health fairs in DuPage County area where many women were encountered without insurance and needed mammogram screenings. 19 women at such events received mammography in a timely fashion. Xilin provided 466 units of service to 245 unduplicated clients.



Youth Outlook

Support for LGBTQ+ Youth in DuPage County

Organization Information

1828 Old Naperville Rd
Naperville, IL 60563

Tel: 815-754-5331

Fax: 815-754-5331

Website: www.youth-outlook.org

EIN: 36-4223806

DUNS: 07-847-9432

Official Amount: \$ 3,532.00

Youth Outlook will provide the following activities in DuPage County in direct service to LGBTQ+ youth ages 12-20, serving 340 youth in the next year: Drop-in centers for LGBTQ+ youth with programs that focus on physical and mental wellness, self-esteem, HIV/STI prevention, healthy relationships, and leadership development with some meetings focusing on transgender youth (serves 140 youth/year). Mobile programming offered on-site at area middle schools and high schools (serves 200 youth/year). These activities fit into Youth Outlook's mission of celebrating, empowering, advocating for, and providing services to meet the ever-evolving needs of LGBTQ+ youth and their families, friends, and communities. The youth programs facilitate personal growth and the development of a positive identity for LGBTQ+ young people and help them avoid risks such as substance abuse, dropping out of school, homelessness, and suicide. As an extension of its work with youth in DuPage, Youth Outlook also offers Thrive, a group for parents of LGBTQ+ youth aimed at strengthening family bonds and understanding. Since its founding in 1998, Youth Outlook has served more than 3,000 youth in direct service and 8,000 youth-serving professionals in community advocacy. Programs are held at DuPage Unitarian Universalist Church (1828 Old Naperville Rd) and First Congregational Church (25 E Benton Ave in Naperville).

Progress Report 1

69 youth seen in two drop-in centers, representing seven sexual orientations and ten gender identities. Of the 69 youth, 44% were verbally harassed, 13% physically assaulted, 26% homeless, 63% receiving mental health care, 38% using alcohol, 22% using drugs, 13% using both, 35% hospitalized for psych care, 43% considered suicide and 30% attempted. Invited youth declined to participate in survey. Progress totals taken from intakes check in reports instead of survey.

Progress Report 2

43 intakes at drop-in centers (reflected in Q4), 100 youth served on-site at school groups, 320 adults provided training, 20 parents/night in parent support. Sites met all Tues and Weds during this six months. 15 youth chose to be interviewed. Of 43 youth who completed intake this half, there were six reported sexual orientations and four gender identities. 42% (18) had considered suicide, 12% (5) had attempted, 28% (12) had been/are homeless, 35% (15) reported bullying, and 47% (11) tried substances.



YWCA Metropolitan Chicago

YWCA Economic Empowerment Services

Organization Information

One North LaSalle St., Ste 1150
Chicago, IL 60602

Tel: 312-762-2738

Fax: 312-346-2231

Website: www.ywcachicago.org

EIN: 36-2179765

DUNS: 082936899

Official Amount: \$ 3,532.00

YWCA Metropolitan Chicago's mission to eliminate racism and empower women is actualized through three priority areas: Safety and Wellness, Education and Training, and Economic Sustainability. Through the Child Care Assistance Program, YWCA offers services to help the most at-risk families in the community access much-needed child care while they work or go to school. YWCA Metropolitan Chicago serves more than 8,000 clients monthly through the CCAP program, located at the Patterson and McDaniel Family Center in Addison at 2055 West Army Trail Rd, Ste 140. The team of 12 staff review each client's income, employment information and determine eligibility through the IDHS income/employment guidelines. The goal of the program is to ensure each client has quality care for their children so they can maintain consistent employment. YWCA currently offers Economic Empowerment services in its Chicago locations helping women with job coaching, computer training and financial planning. With the generous funding from DuPage County Human Services fund, the proposal is to incorporate these services into DuPage County to work with existing CCAP clients with a goal of helping them move from surviving to thriving. This would offer 1:1 case management services to 150 at-risk families through career coaching and financial counseling. 24 trainings on career advancement, financial sustainability, and asset acquisition would be provided.

Progress Report 1

In this period, YWCA set up a plan and repositioned internal staff to coordinate a central intake system for the teams. On-site consultation services were offered monthly and numerous clients attended.

Progress Report 2

In this period, YWCA offered on-site consultation services monthly, including financial education services. Of the 43 participants, 25 had consultations