

**REVISED BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT**

**Program Name:** Violence Prevention Trauma Services - East St. Louis

**Program Agency DUNS:** 079926424

**Funding Source:** Trauma Recovery Services SFY21: \$800,000

**Agency Budget:** \$90 million

**Request Type:** State Appropriation

**Program Description**

One of the biggest gaps in service in East St. Louis, IL includes the lack of staff and support for students after school hours. Our district is still working on creating robust activities for all students besides sports, our mental health resources are overwhelmed, and our police department is understaffed. Many of our families are single-parent households with parents working multiple jobs to make ends meet causing youth to oftentimes return to homes with no adult supervision. In the 2019-2020 school year, we lost six students to gun violence. In the 2020-2021 school year, the year ended with four of our middle school students murdered. Besides gun and gang violence, our students are also often faced with suicide, bullying, homelessness, house fires, child abuse, human trafficking, domestic violence, sexual assaults, mental health crises, and car crashes. All of these traumas take a toll on students, families, and the community. Most of these traumatic events happen outside of the regular school day. Many of the offenders are teens and the recidivism rate in our community is high. Therefore, East St. Louis School District 189 is requesting funds to implement a Trauma Recovery Center for youth affected by violence in East St. Louis, IL.

East St. Louis School District 189 proposes to create a three-pronged Violence Prevention Trauma Services program to address violence and trauma in our East St. Louis Community by focusing on the students within it. We will lead a billboard campaign across the city using our student Peace Warriors--who are all trauma survivors; we will activate a mental health trauma team to respond to student crises during after school/weekend hours, and we will also support student survivors of trauma and their families with individual and family counseling and supports. Our program will serve students and families who have been involved with violence as a perpetrator or a victim: those who have prior justice system involvement, youth who are disconnected from school and work, and youth who are coping with trauma symptoms after witnessing or experiencing violence.

**Program Activities**

1. Our communications department will provide support in developing materials and conducting public awareness activities related to the school district and we will also subcontract services to create our own media presence. We will promote the proposed program through social media (Facebook, Twitter and Instagram), through brochures and fliers distributed throughout the community and by community partners, through direct communication with youth through District 189, Peace Warriors student group, and through the city's emergency services, the Coroner's office, and the juvenile detention center.

2. Potential participants for the response team services will be identified by the above means. Those students/families will receive emergency services as well as the offer to join our counseling program. Other potential participants will be identified by school staff and community partners of student/families who have experienced a traumatic experience within the last twelve months of the start of the program.
  
3. For all services (case management and therapy), our agency will utilize a robust data collection system. Data includes the referral source, demographic information, school information, risk and protective factors, assessment information, progress towards goals and objectives, and outcomes.

**Goals**

State the goal(s) the funding will achieve.

Prevention Goal: To implement a violence prevention strategy that focuses on youth population.
<b>Objectives</b>
Reach 26,000 residents through an awareness and marketing/social media campaign.
Trauma informed therapy will be provided to 50 students/families.
Emergency response services will be provided to 50 students/families.
The risk factors to be addressed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Exposure to a traumatic event.</li> <li>● Students who have been involved with violence as a perpetrator or a victim.</li> <li>● Students who have prior justice system involvement.</li> <li>● Youth who are disconnected from school.</li> <li>● Youth who are coping with trauma symptoms after witnessing or experiencing violence.</li> </ul>

Prevention Goal: To provide training to staff.
<b>Objectives</b>
Training to be provided: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 12 staff to receive Wraparound Training. Designed to provide managers the skills necessary to implement the Wraparound model.</li> <li>● 7 staff to receive Emergency Response Training.</li> <li>● 6 staff receiving trauma-focused cognitive behavioral therapy training.</li> </ul>

**Priorities**

In 2012, ICJIA's enabling statute was expanded to include responsibilities related to violence prevention. These responsibilities include distributing grants to community and statewide organizations, other units of local and state government, and public school districts that address violence prevention in a comprehensive and collaborative manner.

**Program Funding Detail**

This designation would support 10 to 11 months of funding designated by the State of Illinois.

**Past Performance**

N/A

**Budget Detail**

	<b>Total</b>
<b>Personnel Total FTE:</b> 1 FTE Coordinator @ \$70,000 1 .5 FTE Intake Data Analyst @ \$35,000 10 .25 FTE Clinicians/Case Managers @ \$12,000 ea (\$120,000) 5 .25 FTE Trauma Response Team Members @ \$18,000 (\$90,000) 2 .25 FTE Youth Leader @ \$10,000 (\$20,000) 1 .25 FTE Safety Officer @ \$25,000	\$360,000
<b>Fringe:</b>	\$55,223
<b>Equipment:</b> Poster maker	\$6,500
<b>Supplies:</b> Office supplies and student grief kits	\$52,370
<b>Travel</b>	-
<b>Contractual:</b> Staff trauma, multi-systemic therapy, and wrap-around training (\$30,000); billboards (\$50,000); public awareness (advertising) (\$40,000); childcare staff (\$15,000); Peace Warriors (\$20,000); leasing copier and toner (\$5,000); CrimeStoppers (\$4,500); Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice Programming (\$50,000); motivational speakers (\$20,000)	\$229,500
<b>Indirect Costs</b>	\$43,507
<b>Totals Federal / State and Match:</b>	<b>\$752,000</b>