

Grant Selection Process Report

Legal Applicant: The Window Dressers, Inc **Program name:** Community Workshops Expansion
Recommendation: Fund at level available
Reviewers: Lafin, Young, Pellenz

Grant Category: Other Competition - VGF **Performance Period:** Initial 6 month review
Type: Cost Reimbursement **Start/End Date:** [4-1-2018] to [9-30-2019]
Focus Area: Aging In Place
 Food Security & Supports **Fed Priority Area(s):** Capacity Building
 Transportation Services

Request for New Resources		CNCS	Local
New CNCS Funds:	<u>\$35,399</u>	Cost sharing proposed	<u>40.6% 59.4%</u>
Match Committed:	<u>\$51,757</u>	Min. Match required	<u>55 %</u>
Total Grant Budget:	<u>\$87,156</u>		

Total prior years with CNCS funding: [0]

Prior experience with CNCS funding: [describe type of grant and how many 3 year grants applicant has had; any special notes about prior funding such as whether it was same or different model, another category of funding.]

Program Summary (from application):

The Window Dressers, Inc proposes to develop a Volunteer Generation Fund program providing service in six new communities - Fort Kent, Lewiston/Auburn, Augusta, Alfred, Parsonsfield, and Norway – that will focus on the CNCS focus area of capacity building while increasing volunteerism. The CNCS investment of \$35,399 will be matched with \$51,757, \$0 in public funding and \$51,757 in private funding.

Statement of Need (from application narrative):

Aging in place has important financial, physical and emotional health benefits for seniors. However, seniors are particularly susceptible to the discomforts and negative health effects of cold and drafts. Many seniors live in older and/or poor-quality housing stock with inefficient windows. Living on a fixed income can make it difficult to keep up with the rising cost of heating fuel and preclude the high up-front expense of replacing inefficient windows. Since 30% of an average home’s heat loss occurs through windows and doors, providing insulating window inserts at an affordable price - or at no cost for low-income households - can be a key factor in ensuring that our senior residents are able to age in place by reducing their fuels bills and improving the warmth and comfort of their homes.

Our Community Workshop model keeps our prices low while also providing meaningful volunteer opportunities that help seniors remain connected to their community – either through seniors volunteering at the CWs themselves or through the community volunteers who visit seniors’ homes to measure their windows and, later, to deliver and install the finished inserts.

Identified partners:

- list partners identified by peer reviewers and task force reviewers

None

SCORING DETAIL

I. Summary of Reviewer Consensus Scores

Sections	Consensus Assessment	Consensus Score
Organization Qualifications and Experience (25%)		
Current volunteer management practices	Strong	11
Management of Planned effort	Adequate	9.38
Program Design & 18-month Work Plan (50%)		
Focus Area(s) and Need	Adequate	6.7
Current Effort	Strong	10
Planned Effort	Adequate	6.7
Implementation - Work Plan	Adequate	13.4
Cost Effectiveness and Budget Adequacy (25%)		
Cost Effectiveness	Strong	12.5
Budget Adequacy	Weak	4.125
Reviewer Consensus TOTAL:		73.805 of 100 possible

Reviewer Recommendation: Fund at level of remaining resources

Final Recommendation of Excellence and Expertise Task Force: