Working Woman's Home Association Application

2023 Grant

Within the City of Montgomery and its environs, the intent and purpose of the Working Woman's Home Association is:

1. To aid and assist distressed and abused women and children

- 2. To aid in the education of women to the end that they may become self-sufficient
- 3. To aid and assist women in providing emergency housing
- 4. To aid and assist elderly persons, particularly women, in meeting their basic needs

Instructions: Please complete the following questions and submit form at the end. This form allows information from another document to be inserted or pasted in the question response space. It is also possible to edit information on the form after submission.

Email attachments to secretary@wwhassn.org.

** This grant application is requesting funds to be awarded in January 2023. NO grant applications will be able to be submitted after the deadline - 5:00 pm on Monday, June 13, 2022.

Name of Organization/Agency *

One Place Family Justice Center

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City, State, and Zip *

Montgomery

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Funding Requested *

\$17,800.00

Briefly state the purpose and goals of this project or program. *

The purpose of this project is to provide immediate forensic examinations, and crisis intervention advocacy services to children who have been sexually abused through One Place's Standing Together Against Rape (STAR) Program. The STAR Program's Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners -Pediatric (SANE-P) and trained victim advocates will provide these services.

The Project Goals include:

1. Provide a total of 40 child forensic medical examinations and crisis advocacy services for children who have been sexually or physically abused.

2. Expand the knowledge, skills, and abilities of the One Place STAR Program Coordinator and a trained SANE-P by participation in the International Conference on Forensic Nursing Science and Practice Conference.

Briefly describe your plans for administration of this project or program request? *

One Place Family Justice Center (OPFJC) services are provided at the Brooks-Sellers One Place Justice Center in the city of Montgomery, 530 South Lawrence Street. Sexual assault forensic examinations and crisis advocacy services are provided 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The STAR Program Coordinator will oversee the 24-hour crisis line, which is managed by an answering service that connects all crisis calls from victims, caretakers, law enforcement, and community members to a trained nurse or victim advocate, who will make arrangements for victims to receive a forensic medical examination at OPFJC's child medical room. The STAR Program on-call services are manned by contract SANES who rotate on-call schedules, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Only trained SANE-P can assist crisis callers seeking examinations for child abuse victims. In addition to having a SANE-P and victim advocate present during the examinations, the presence of a facility dog during the child's medical visit, a project funded by the Office of Prosecution Services is available during business hours. The One Place Executive Director supervises the STAR Program Coordinator and all program components. How will you evaluate the success of this project or program? Or how have you evaluated the * success of this project or program in the past?

OPFJC will maintain client information and services through confidential client files, a secure client data base system, excel spreadsheets, and client (or caretaker) satisfaction surveys. All SANEs and victim advocates are trained to document information collected during the examinations, and input accurate data in the computer system data base to maintain accurate statistics. The data is reviewed by the OPFJ Executive Director, One Place Program Coordinator, the STAR Program Coordinator and the One Place Board of Directors on a monthly bases. The Executive Director will monitor progress of the data input and make program adjustments as needed. Additionally, regular quality service reviews will be included in the project oversight and additional training or changes needed will be made for the success of the program.

This project or program will impact Montgomery in the following areas (check all that apply) *

Distressed and abused women and children

Education of women and life skills development

Emergency housing for women and children

Assist elderly persons, particularly women, in meeting their basic needs

Other:

How does this project or program funding request fit into your organization's mission and, more specifically, the mission of your project or program?

OPFJC's mission is to provide a comprehensive service and support center which affords greater safety, access to services, and confidentiality for victims and their family members by co-locating services under one roof. OPFJ provides crisis intervention assistance for victims of domestic violence, stalking, dating violence, sexual assault, human trafficking, and child and elder abuse. The STAR Program serves Montgomery, Autauga, Butler, Crenshaw, Elmore, Lowndes, Dallas, Perry, and Wilcox counties. The STAR SANE-P Program is the only program, other than UAB Children Services in the state of Alabama providing child forensic medical examinations, specifically, in a child-friendly medical facility set-up. The STAR Program will serve any child abuse victim needing a forensic exam from any county in Alabama due to this being a limited service in our State.

This funding request specifically meets the immediate needs of child physical and sexual abuse victims by providing immediate forensic exams upon requests, which will provide access to services, increased safety and confidential services for victims of child abuse.

How does this project or program funding request fit into the mission of the Working Woman's Home Association? (stated at top of form)

The STAR Program services directly addresses the Working 'Woman's Home Association's mission and purpose "to meet the immediate needs to aid and assist distressed and abused women and children". Each year, more than 3 million reports of child abuse are made in the United States

(https://www.childhelp.org/child abuse). In 2020, 40,293 children in cases of abuse/neglect (CANS) were reported to Department of Human Resources county offices(dhr.alabama.gov).

The STAR Program services meet the immediate needs of abused children, and the parents/guardians also receive immediate advocacy and support services. Additionally, crisis counseling services are offered to the adult family member through the STAR Program Crisis Counselor and children's counseling services are coordinated with local agencies and local advocacy centers.

Will this project or program initiate a new service in Montgomery? *

Yes

No

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If not, explain the features of this project or program that distinguish it from other organizations in Montgomery that provide the same or similar services. Identify those organizations in Montgomery providing the same or similar services.

This project will continue a vital child service in the Montgomery area for more than two years now. The STAR Program has been in operation for 26 years, however, STAR has only been providing child abuse forensic examinations since 2020. In the past, children and their family members would have to travel more than an hour to Birmingham, Alabama to receive medical services after being physically or sexually assaulted. Currently, the STAR Program is the only local agency providing this service to children.

How many people will be served by this project or program funding request? *

Will a grant from the Working Woman's Home Association enable your organization to receive * matching funds?

• Yes

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Is there another resource that can assume financial responsibility for this project or program * upon completion of the commitment of the Working Woman's Home Association?

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List other organizations or grants from which you have requested funding for this project or * program and the status of such requests.

One Place have not asked for funds from another grant or organization to cover this service during the 2023 grant year.

In addition to submitting this project or program funding request, the documents below are required for this application to be accepted as complete. Please email current documentation in PDF format to: <u>secretary@wwhassn.org</u>. (You may check the box below when the item has been emailed.)

- Detailed proposed budget for this project or program request
- Proposed budget for your organization for the current year
- Copy of Statement of Revenues and Expenses and Balance Sheet for the current and most recent fiscal year completed for your organization
- Copy of your most recent audit. If an audit is not available, please include a copy of your most recent 990 form
- List of Officers and Directors
- Copy of your IRS Letter of Determination of 501(c)(3) status

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