

Edna Martin Christian Center

Program Description

- Work spans Marion County with primary focus area
- 75% of CWF participants with one key financial outcome
- Could have included more demographic data
- Realistic goals. Reasonable considering partners' strong relationship with several IPS schools.
- Staffing adds seem reasonable; existing staff time allocations clear
- Each partner leads assessment of families. Would like to see more continuity across sites.
- Both long term outcomes for the grant are not currently achieved. It is not clear that they are achievable
- Early Childhood Education sites will gain technical assistance from EMCC

Evaluation Capacity

- Currently using several data collection tools (Limelight, ETO)
- 2 current staff members, but did not see an allocation of time for this program
- Adding capacity with grant
- Regularly reviews client data

Organizational Capacity

- There appears to be strong leadership and a solid board commitment both to the leadership and the programs.
- The long history of service and new facilities combine to offer residents a viable venue to receive services leading to economic and family stability.
- The bidder identified two programs that have been sustained from seed money to ongoing operation. One is a mentoring program and the other is a social enterprise program.
- The bidder identified multiple sources to generate match which includes individual and corporate donations, revenue-generating activities and local foundation grant support including UW resources.

Partnerships and Coalitions

- Near East Quality of Life and North East Corridor Quality of Life participant.
- Plan to establish a GF20/20 Working Group of key partners
- EMCC has an relationship with IMPD to address safety based on its designation as a "High Crime Area"

Budget and Budget Narrative

- It is not clear how UW allocation will be available as match since it may be already considered as match for the UW/SIF grant

- No \$\$ budgeted for data collection – only \$1,500 budgeted for travel - mandatory SIF conference not mentioned

Overall Comments:

- Fairly well articulated. Organization demonstrates historical capacity to execute programs. Staff additions seem reasonable. Executive Director very much in charge of oversight. Strong MOU's. Recent investment of \$5mm will help stabilize financial status.