

REPORT 2019 October Cycle

GENERAL INFORMATION

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REPORT INFORMATION

Report Funding Cycle: 2019 October Cycle	Report Date: 10/14/2020 12:00 am
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1: Please include in your report the dollar amount of the funds that were awarded, the date they were funded and what the funds supported.

Awarded Amount: 30,000	Date: 10/30/2019
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2: Were the objectives cited in your original proposal met? Please address each started objective and how it was met.

During the grant period, the Martinez Street Women's Center experienced growth and served 330 total unduplicated students. The Girl Zone Program served girls on-campus, off-campus, and virtually with an engaging curriculum focused on enhancing academic and behavioral outcomes. We offered Girl Zone on twelve participating SAISD campuses where participants completed 25 enrichment lessons, of which 16 happened after school and 9 weeks of site-specific virtual circles in April and May throughout the school year, and 40 virtual lessons over the summer. They included lessons such as Safe Space, HERstory, NVC/Emotions/Needs, Self-esteem, service learning/leadership, media literacy, and S.T.E.A.M.

3: Please explain any changes from the original proposal and the circumstances that lead to the modification of the objective.

MSWC wrote in the grant application that participants would have completed 35 enrichment lessons throughout the school year. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we had to temporarily pause our programming to reevaluate the best method to deliver our services. As a result, we were only able to over 25 enrichment lessons. Additionally, after COVID-19 hit, Girl Zone shifted to online programming with existing participants, offering weekly site-based lessons and holding virtual circles via Zoom to process participant's experiences, provide support, and a sense of community.

4: What needs were addressed?

The Martinez Street Women's Centers Girl Zone Program met the needs of serving the most economically disadvantaged girls with 96% coming from homes that are at or below the poverty line. The Girl Zone provided underserved girls with opportunities to explore their world, the tools to achieve their dreams, and the platform to inspire their peers. Our goals to support youth and families have remained the same, while much of our services differ in the delivery model. We are finding an increased number of families who are reaching out for a multitude of services including food, cleaning supply assistance, rental, and utility assistance, COVID-19 information, homeschooling resources, and overall emotional support. Without this support, families can become stressed beyond their limitations, and are at higher risk for family violence, as well as poor mental, physical, and emotional health outcomes.

5: What method of evaluation did you use to monitor and measure the project's outcome and what are the result?

Girl Zone served 330 unduplicated students in summer camp, after school, and Spring Break Camp. As a long-term program for girls on the east, west, and southeast sides of San Antonio, we know that positive change is occurring in our youth by tracking grades, chronic absenteeism, behavior and risk assessment, and developmental assets. Through the Search Institute's Development Relationships/Social-Emotional skills survey we are able to measure the developmental relationships which are relationships that do five things intentionally: express care, challenge growth, provide support, share power, and expand possibilities. We are currently waiting for the 2019-2020 Educational Success scorecard.

Instead of the DAP, this academic year, we'd planned to utilize the Developmental Relationship/ Social Emotional Learning survey designed by the Search Institute that measures our participants' SEL growth through pre and post surveys. We offered the first survey in the fall of 2019. After COVID-19 hit San Antonio, we were unable to administer the post-program survey. As a result, we couldn't measure student growth in Social Emotional Learning and Developmental Relationships. The pre-program survey indicated in Social Emotional Learning, our participants' social-emotional skills average was 3.5 on a scale of 1 to 5 of which 68% of students rated the ability of significant relationships in their lives (parents, friends, teachers, community members) to express care, challenge growth, provide support, share power, and expand possibilities was "just right." (options were more, less, or just right)

6: Do you plan to continue this project, and if so, how do you plan to sustain it?

The Martinez Street Women's Center continues to grow our programs and the need to expand our long-term sustainability is imperative to our longevity. The Martinez Street Women's Center has a diverse set of funding streams, including foundations, corporate partners, individual donors, civic organizations, and contracts. The Girl Zone program is sustained primarily through grant funding. As we continue to diversify our funding sources we are working towards acquiring more contract, corporate, and individual giving for our Girl Zone Program. Additionally, the MSWC Board of Directors has implemented a new Board-led fundraiser with the goal of increasing board contribution, cultivating new donors, and engaging lapsed donors.

With COVID, we know that individual, corporate, and some foundation funding may decrease in 2021, and we expect the need to find additional funding through new sources. Additionally, we know we may need to reimagine some aspects if funding needs are not met, and Board and Staff are fully aware of this possible reality.

7: Please provide any other comments of information relevant to this grant.

As an organization, we have learned how important after school programming is to our youth. We serve clients who face significant barriers to health and education, with some of the highest rates of poverty within the city limits. When COVID-19 hit, we saw a need to work creatively through our now adapted services for our community. It became very important for our girls to stay connected with us and one another whilst still receiving the critical support they depend on.

Martinez Street Women's Center used fewer funds in participant nutrition than originally planned because we paused programming in March.

8: Please provide an updated detailed projected budget with expenses for the received grant. Also include the totals for the budgeted and actual amount. Explain any discrepancies between the budgeted and the actual expenses for the project.

Line Item Description	Total Project Funds Allocation	Najim Requested Funds	Project Funds Actual	Najim Funds Allocation
Salaries and Benefits	\$233,048	\$5,000	\$269,646	\$5,964
Contract Services	\$17,880	\$5,000	\$17,461	\$5,022
Participant Nutrition	\$8,000	\$5,000	\$4,596	\$2,829
Curricular Supplies	\$10,000	\$4,000	\$12,338	\$1,642
Technology	\$1,530	\$1,000	\$1,502	\$1,023
Participant Transportation	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,308	\$1,308
Program Travel	\$4,000	\$1,000	\$2,532	\$680
Program Site Cost	\$8,900	\$15,000	\$11,136	\$9,758
Miscellaneous	\$3,583	\$2,000	\$3,796	\$1,774
Professional Development	\$2,000	\$1,000	\$0	\$0
Marketing and Special Events	\$400	\$0	\$306	\$0
In Kind	\$8,000	\$0	\$8,000	\$0
TOTAL:	\$298,341	\$40,000	\$332,621	\$30,000

Signature

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