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## NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD

Solicitation Title/Event Name:

Solicitation Number:

Solicitation Close Date:

Notice of Intent to Award Post Date:

Issuing Contracts Officer contact information:

The State intends to award a contract to the apparent successful offeror(s) of the above-mentioned solicitation. The Notice of Intent to Award shall not be considered a binding commitment by the state.

Under the Montana Procurement Act, the State has made the relevant scoring matrix/bid tab for the above-mentioned solicitation available for public inspection. Comments from the public regarding the proposed award must be submitted to the Contracts Officer listed above within this 7-day notice period.

### Apparent Successful Offeror(s)

### Unsuccessful Offeror(s)

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SCORE SUMMARY WORKSHEET

		Possible Points	Community Health Care Center, Inc	Dynamic Recovery	Health Equity Solutions	Lewis and Clark County	Livingst on Healthca re	LoveJoy CO, LLC	Montana Health Research & Education Foundation Inc	Montana State University	Montana State University Center for Research on Rural Education-Youth Aware of Mental Health	Nate Chute Foundation	Tamarack Grief Resource Center	Yellowstone City County Health Department
Section 1	Scope of Work													
1.1	Letter of Commitment	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
1.2	Explanation of Services/Activities													
1.2.1	Description of Services/Activities	225	190	225	210	195	190	175	200	220	225	225	215	215
1.2.2	Implementation of Services/Activities	200	130	190	170	180	195	150	165	200	200	200	200	200
1.2.3	Person Responsible for Implementation/Monitoring	50	50	50	40	40	40	40	45	50	50	45	50	50
1.2.4	Expected Outcomes	225	175	225	200	180	200	125	210	215	200	200	225	225
1.3	Population													
1.3.1	Population/Demographics	50	40	45	45	50	45	48	40	50	50	50	50	50
1.3.2	Need of Population	50	40	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
1.4	Staffing													
1.4.1.1	Delivery Personnel	100	95	100	95	80	90	50	100	100	100	100	100	100
1.4.1.2	Supervisor/Management	100	95	100	95	95	95	75	100	100	100	100	100	100
1.4.1.2	Current Staff	50	50	50	50	50	45	30	50	50	50	50	50	50
1.4.1.3	Identification of Needed Staff	50	50	0	50	50	50	30	50	45	50	45	50	50
1.5	Data and Reporting													
1.5.1	Data and Reporting	325	300	320	300	275	280	150	315	320	325	315	315	315
Section 2	Offeror Qualifications													
2.1	References	Pass/Fail	pass	pass	pass	pass	pass	pass	pass	pass	pass	pass	pass	pass
2.2	Company Profile and Experience	100	100	100	100	100	75	90	100	100	100	100	100	100
2.3	Resumes for Section 1.4.1.1 Staff	25	25	25	25	20	20	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
	Cost Proposal													
	Budget Line Item and Justification	200	160	200	190	190	190	190	200	150	175	200	200	200
	Total Funding Requested	200	125	150	100	200	100	100	175	150	150	120	140	140
	Equal Pay for Montana Women Bonus Points													
	Offerors who agree and certify compliance to Executive Order No. 12-2016, Equal Pay for Montana Women, will receive a bonus of 5% of the total points available. Offerors who do not comply will not receive bonus points.	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Technical Subtotal		1600	1390	1530	1480	1415	1425	1088	1500	1575	1575	1555	1580	1580
Cost Proposal		400	285	350	290	390	290	290	375	300	325	320	340	340
Total Required Points		2000	1675	1880	1770	1805	1715	1378	1875	1875	1900	1875	1920	1920
Equal Pay for Montana Women Bonus Points		100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Final Total		2100	1775	1980	1870	1905	1815	1478	1975	1975	2000	1975	2020	2020

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Offeror (Company) Name: Community Health Care Center, Inc				Total Points Awarded: 1775
Section	Category	Possible Points	Points Awarded	Mandatory Justification Comments for Points Awarded
Section 1	Scope of Work			
1.1	Letter of Commitment			
1.1	Letter of Commitment	50	50	Met requirements. Letter is sufficient
1.2	Explanation of Services/Activities			
1.2.1	Description of Services/Activities	225	190	The work will be done with one school district, utilizing a program of limited evidenced-based efficacy. Small population for amount requested.
1.2.2	Implementation of Services/Activities	200	130	Small population for amount requested. The work will be done with one school district, utilizing a program of limited evidenced-based efficacy.
1.2.3	Person Responsible for Implementation/Monitoring	50	50	Met requirements. Credentials and experience of staff is sufficient.
1.2.4	Expected Outcomes	225	175	Outcomes seem optimistic for such a limited intervention - no PHQA - minimal
1.3	Population			
1.3.1	Population/Demographics	50	40	not high risk group
1.3.2	Need of Population	50	40	not high risk group
1.4	Staffing			
1.4.1.1	Delivery Personnel	100	95	Staff clearly identified and qualified. Sufficiently qualified personnel.
1.4.1.2	Supervisor/Management	100	95	Qualified supervision - org chart clear
1.4.1.2	Current Staff	50	50	staff identified and fully staffed
1.4.1.3	Identification of Needed Staff	50	50	no additional staff needed
1.5	Data and Reporting			
1.5.1	Data and Reporting	325	300	Not a best practice - limited information. Utilizes standard data collection methodologies.
Section 2	Offeror Qualifications			
2.1	References	Pass/Fail	pass	3 provided
2.2	Company Profile and Experience	100	100	Extensive experience in public health - good company profile
2.3	Resumes for Section 1.4.1.1 Staff	25	25	Staff qualified
	Cost Proposal			
	Budget Line Item and Justification	200	160	Budget breakdown seems realistic for proposal. Breakdown of expense type was Vague
	Total Funding Requested	200	125	66% of budget was on staff, personnel. Raises a concern of sustainability. Requesting full grant amount
	Equal Pay for Montana Women Bonus Points			
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Technical Subtotal		1600	1390	
Cost Proposal		400	285	
Total Required Points		2000	1675	
Equal Pay for Montana Women Bonus Points		100	100	
Final Total		2100	1775	

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Offeror (Company) Name: Dynamic Recovery				Total Points Awarded: 1780
Section	Category	Possible Points	Points Awarded	Mandatory Justification Comments for Points Awarded
Section 1	Scope of Work			
1.1	Letter of Commitment			
1.1	Letter of Commitment	50	50	Clear letter. Letter is present and correct.
1.2	Explanation of Services/Activities			
1.2.1	Description of Services/Activities	225	225	Lethal means/ Veterans/Peer lead. Well integrated with existing resources for SMVF; describes peer support, lethal means safety and SDH.
1.2.2	Implementation of Services/Activities	200	190	Good timing implementation plan - activities broken down by Quarter. Good time-based implementation plan, but a little light on details.
1.2.3	Person Responsible for Implementation/Monitoring	50	50	Identified position. Megan Farmer is highly qualified to supervise
1.2.4	Expected Outcomes	225	225	Detailed outcomes clear. Detailed outcome metrics tied to MWF priority areas.
1.3	Population			
1.3.1	Population/Demographics	50	45	3,500 to 5,000 served. Plan to serve large number of SMVF; light on geo specifics; addresses NA vets.
1.3.2	Need of Population	50	50	High risk population - American Indians
1.4	Staffing			
1.4.1.1	Delivery Personnel	100	100	Strong staff with military and suicide prevention. Excellent staff with broad range of clinical credential and experience working with SMVF.
1.4.1.2	Supervisor/Management	100	100	Good description of staff - excellent supervision
1.4.1.2	Current Staff	50	50	Fully staffed with backup identified
1.4.1.3	Identification of Needed Staff	50		Identified secondary staff - no additional staff needed
1.5	Data and Reporting			
1.5.1	Data and Reporting	325	320	Highly detailed collection plan and reporting plan by a highly qualified (PH.D Level) project evaluator. Will provide a narrative report
Section 2	Offeror Qualifications			
2.1	References	Pass/Fail	pass	references provided
2.2	Company Profile and Experience	100	100	Services listed are in line with State SP strategy and VA/SAMHSA SMVF priorities. Good description of services
2.3	Resumes for Section 1.4.1.1 Staff	25	25	Resumes provided
	Cost Proposal			
	Budget Line Item and Justification	200	200	Realistic budget based on specific FTE %. Clear breakdown on expense type.
	Total Funding Requested	200	150	69% was for personnel. Concern about sustainability. Requesting 61,441. Well under max.
	Equal Pay for Montana Women Bonus Points			
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Offeror (Company) Name: Health Equity Solutions				Total Points Awarded: 1570
Section	Category	Possible Points	Points Awarded	Mandatory Justification Comments for Points Awarded
Section 1	Scope of Work			
1.1	Letter of Commitment			
1.1	Letter of Commitment	50	50	Letter sufficient - clear and precise
1.2	Explanation of Services/Activities			
1.2.1	Description of Services/Activities	225	210	QPR and interventions - support American Indian Culter - ACES and CAST S - sufficient evidenced based interventions
1.2.2	Implementation of Services/Activities	200	170	Lack of detail on location - services in 2 places.
1.2.3	Person Responsible for Implementation/Monitoring	50	40	Identified position but lack detail. Sufficient implementation personnel.
1.2.4	Expected Outcomes	225	200	Without specific locations/population information it is hard to see what these percentages pertain to. Pre and post tests done
1.3	Population			
1.3.1	Population/Demographics	50	45	1500 to 2200 individuals across tribal and rural counties served. No reference to specific tribal communities.
1.3.2	Need of Population	50	50	high risk population - good description of American Indian population
1.4	Staffing			
1.4.1.1	Delivery Personnel	100	95	Personnel well described - experience with Tribes
1.4.1.2	Supervisor/Management	100	95	high qualified supervision
1.4.1.2	Current Staff	50	50	Met expectations - staffed fully
1.4.1.3	Identification of Needed Staff	50	50	no additional staffing needed - temporary support identified if needed
1.5	Data and Reporting			
1.5.1	Data and Reporting	325	300	Detailed collection and reporting plan
Section 2	Offeror Qualifications			
2.1	References	Pass/Fail	pass	References provided
2.2	Company Profile and Experience	100	100	Good description of services offered. Extensive experience with native communities and with the described interventions.
2.3	Resumes for Section 1.4.1.1 Staff	25	25	Resumes provided and sufficient.
	Cost Proposal			
	Budget Line Item and Justification	200	190	Excellent breakdown of line item budget. Detailed cost breakdown
	Total Funding Requested	200	100	Requesting full amount. 65% of budget on personnel, concern over sustainability. Maximum request
	Equal Pay for Montana Women Bonus Points			
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Offeror (Company) Name: Lewis and Clark County				Total Points Awarded: 1905
Section	Category	Possible Points	Points Awarded	Mandatory Justification Comments for Points Awarded
Section 1	Scope of Work			
1.1	Letter of Commitment			
1.1	Letter of Commitment	50	50	Focus on previous work with LOSS and Safer Communities. Letter present and sufficient.
1.2	Explanation of Services/Activities			
1.2.1	Description of Services/Activities	225	195	These programs have been funded under HB118 for a number of years with little change in scope. SCM and LOSS are the primary focus of the proposal, but I am not sure why community drumming was inserted. It's addition suggests a lack of focus. Lack of expansion - previous services identified
1.2.2	Implementation of Services/Activities	200	180	SCM and LOSS teams have been active, but not description on how they will advance. Thin on details how will this year be different? No time based implementation measures
1.2.3	Person Responsible for Implementation/Monitoring	50	40	Lack of experience in demonstrated performance. Concerned about lack of experience
1.2.4	Expected Outcomes	225	180	Adequate description for LOSS and safer communities. Lack of concern for Drumming. Outcomes not based on the time period covered by the grant.
1.3	Population			
1.3.1	Population/Demographics	50	50	Large population/GEO coverage/rural.
1.3.2	Need of Population	50	50	strong data provided. High risk population
1.4	Staffing			
1.4.1.1	Delivery Personnel	100	80	Lacks experience with described interventions.
1.4.1.2	Supervisor/Management	100	95	Consultation with TAMARACK is strong. Adequate supervision
1.4.1.2	Current Staff	50	50	Fully staffed
1.4.1.3	Identification of Needed Staff	50	50	Adequately addressed - no additional staff needed
1.5	Data and Reporting			
1.5.1	Data and Reporting	325	275	No data collection measures for SCM toolkit distribution - lacks strong performance measures
Section 2	Offeror Qualifications			
2.1	References	Pass/Fail	pass	Provided
2.2	Company Profile and Experience	100	100	L & C County has excellent past experience
2.3	Resumes for Section 1.4.1.1 Staff	25	20	Strong Resumes - lack of experience w/suicide prevention
Cost Proposal				
	Budget Line Item and Justification	200	190	Community drumming and no reference to tool kit costs. Good line item justification.
	Total Funding Requested	200	200	Only 17% of budget for staff, requesting less than max. Amount below max
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Offeror (Company) Name: Livingston Healthcare				Total Points Awarded: 1815
Section	Category	Possible Points	Points Awarded	Mandatory Justification Comments for Points Awarded
Section 1	Scope of Work			
1.1	Letter of Commitment			
1.1	Letter of Commitment	50	50	Provided and outlined activities. Letter is sufficient
1.2	Explanation of Services/Activities			
1.2.1	Description of Services/Activities	225	190	Comprehensive list of interventions that cover prevention, intervention and postvention. I would like to have seen LOSS included here under "Survivor Support Group". Many activities are available for little to no cost
1.2.2	Implementation of Services/Activities	200	195	Clearly defined timeline. Detailed implementation timeline
1.2.3	Person Responsible for Implementation/Monitoring	50	40	Lack of clinical experience - limited experience with suicide prevention.
1.2.4	Expected Outcomes	225	200	Measurable outcomes not clearly identified. No specificity, or reference to outcome metrics.
1.3	Population			
1.3.1	Population/Demographics	50	45	Park County is a high need area and this program would cover the entire county and most demographics. (No mention of veterans.) Strong description of population
1.3.2	Need of Population	50	50	Strong description of need. One of the highest risk counties in MT
1.4	Staffing			
1.4.1.1	Delivery Personnel	100	90	While the two staff members have a lot of related experience in public health, it seems hard to believe that they'll be able to cover the entire area and don't bring any clinical experience. Delivery personnel identified
1.4.1.2	Supervisor/Management	100	95	Supervision clearly described. Bishop has extensive organizational exp. Not sure how relevant to activities under grant.
1.4.1.2	Current Staff	50	45	Only 2 staff - staff defined
1.4.1.3	Identification of Needed Staff	50	50	Clearly described. Does not need additional staff
1.5	Data and Reporting			
1.5.1	Data and Reporting	325	280	Decent metrics for QPR but no explanation for how they will "Track 988 and 211 usage", which gives me some concern over their other described data collection methods. What does "potential to track utilization of adopted plans" for postvention mean? Lack detail with performance with performance metrics that aren't strong
Section 2	Offeror Qualifications			
2.1	References	Pass/Fail	pass	provided
2.2	Company Profile and Experience	100	75	very little experience with suicide prevention - no track record. Limited description of organization
2.3	Resumes for Section 1.4.1.1 Staff	25	20	Were provided. Experience doesn't apply
Cost Proposal				
	Budget Line Item and Justification	200	190	Concerned with how much of plan can execute with this budget. Line items clearly identified.
	Total Funding Requested	200	100	89% of request for staff, low sustainability. Requesting under max
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Offeror (Company) Name: LoveJoyCO, LLC				Total Points Awarded: 1478
Section	Category	Possible Points	Points Awarded	Mandatory Justification Comments for Points Awarded
Section 1	Scope of Work			
1.1	Letter of Commitment			
1.1	Letter of Commitment	50	50	Good overview. Letter is sufficient.
1.2	Explanation of Services/Activities			
1.2.1	Description of Services/Activities	225	175	Describes supporting objectives under the state SP strategy, but gives little detail about what the activities will entail. Details not clear on how to achieve adjective.
1.2.2	Implementation of Services/Activities	200	150	1 staff hard to believe effective implementation. Not sure how speeches reach target audience. Not clear
1.2.3	Person Responsible for Implementation/Monitoring	50	40	Identified staff. Love Joy providing all services themselves.
1.2.4	Expected Outcomes	225	125	hard to understand how outcomes will be achieved with 1 staff in Colorado. Post event surveys and recipient feedback are inadequate for performance measurement.
1.3	Population			
1.3.1	Population/Demographics	50	48	Claims to cover 10% of veterans and service members in the state. Focus on veterans in MT and MAB
1.3.2	Need of Population	50	50	Good description of need of population. High risk population
1.4	Staffing			
1.4.1.1	Delivery Personnel	100	50	1 person delivering all services to 82,000 from Colorado. Appears to be a single person providing services.
1.4.1.2	Supervisor/Management	100	75	Supervision description is inadequate. Well qualified individual with no clinical experience
1.4.1.2	Current Staff	50	30	only 1 staff member. Limited resources to anticipate potential barriers
1.4.1.3	Identification of Needed Staff	50	30	No clear staff. Only 1 person identified. No identified staff but makes references to outsourcing delivery personnel
1.5	Data and Reporting			
1.5.1	Data and Reporting	325	150	hard to tell what real data reporting deliverables will be. Response inadequate and vague. NO clear metric.
Section 2	Offeror Qualifications			
2.1	References	Pass/Fail	pass	Provided
2.2	Company Profile and Experience	100	90	Provided Company Profile. Love Joy has extensive expt with Department of Defense but little in Montana
2.3	Resumes for Section 1.4.1.1 Staff	25	25	Sufficient
	Cost Proposal			
	Budget Line Item and Justification	200	190	Line items identified clearly. No specificity on what those costs go to directly, no budget for travel despite operating out of state.
	Total Funding Requested	200	100	Well below max. 100% of budget is for herself.
	Equal Pay for Montana Women Bonus Points			
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Offeror (Company) Name: Montana Health Research & Education				Total Points Awarded: 1975
Section	Category	Possible Points	Points Awarded	Mandatory Justification Comments for Points Awarded
Section 1	Scope of Work			
1.1	Letter of Commitment			
1.1	Letter of Commitment	50	50	Clear and concise. Good letter
1.2	Explanation of Services/Activities			
1.2.1	Description of Services/Activities	225	200	Good intervention strategies involving all community stakeholders and 3 targeted rural communities and using simulation training. Simulation training to increase communities readiness however concerned about only serving 3 hospitals
1.2.2	Implementation of Services/Activities	200	165	Pilot simulations in only 3 communities. Realistic time based implementation Limited range of communities.
1.2.3	Person Responsible for Implementation/Monitoring	50	45	Does not name individual responsible for implementation. Identified Corporation but not specific person.
1.2.4	Expected Outcomes	225	210	Limited stakeholders trained. 50 people would be trained. Not a lot of detail, but outcomes seem realistic and aligned with strategic goals.
1.3	Population			
1.3.1	Population/Demographics	50	40	Does not specify which NC Montana communities will be targeted. The first three months of the project will be "recruiting" communities. Seems like they should have done some of that work up front. Vague description
1.3.2	Need of Population	50	50	Identified GAPS that will be filled. High risk population
1.4	Staffing			
1.4.1.1	Delivery Personnel	100	100	Extensive experience in this field. 4 key staff identified
1.4.1.2	Supervisor/Management	100	100	3 supervisors were identified. Excellent leadership team
1.4.1.2	Current Staff	50	50	fully staffed with experienced personnel. Staff clearly identified.
1.4.1.3	Identification of Needed Staff	50	50	Identified contingency plan. No additional staff identified.
1.5	Data and Reporting			
1.5.1	Data and Reporting	325	315	Identified protective factors that would be enhanced. Pre/Post surveys including gap analysis. Sufficient metrics for this type of exercise.
Section 2	Offeror Qualifications			
2.1	References	Pass/Fail	pass	Provided
2.2	Company Profile and Experience	100	100	Extensive experience providing this services. Based on profile, past projects and organization interview.
2.3	Resumes for Section 1.4.1.1 Staff	25	25	Resumes provided.
	Cost Proposal			
	Budget Line Item and Justification	200	200	Detailed budget, realistically tied to services. Clear line items detailed.
	Total Funding Requested	200	175	31% of funding for salary, \$37,500 for SIM MT. Requesting close to max
	Equal Pay for Montana Women Bonus Points			
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Offeror (Company) Name: Montana State University				Total Points Awarded: 1975
Section	Category	Possible Points	Points Awarded	Mandatory Justification Comments for Points Awarded
Section 1	Scope of Work			
1.1	Letter of Commitment			
1.1	Letter of Commitment	50	50	Clearly describes services and that they were going to provide service to 24,000 youth. Provides good synopsis of proposal
1.2	Explanation of Services/Activities			
1.2.1	Description of Services/Activities	225	220	Proposes a phased, multi-year program, but will target rural/tribal youth and veterans in year one. Providing MFHA, YMFA, QPR, CALM, also addressed high risk populations such as American Indian youth and veterans.
1.2.2	Implementation of Services/Activities	200	200	Clear and detailed timeline. Comprehensive time bases implementation plan.
1.2.3	Person Responsible for Implementation/Monitoring	50	50	Clearly defined responsibilities. 3 specific staff identified.
1.2.4	Expected Outcomes	225	215	Total number plus percentage that will show increase in competency, however they lack identification of a specific tool. Well defined outcome measures.
1.3	Population			
1.3.1	Population/Demographics	50	50	Targets rural tribal educators, youth and veterans. Clear description of population.
1.3.2	Need of Population	50	50	Used YBRS data and focus on rural schools. Youth and veterans are high risk groups.
1.4	Staffing			
1.4.1.1	Delivery Personnel	100	100	Deep pool of certified instructors. Specific staff identified who will deliver services.
1.4.1.2	Supervisor/Management	100	100	List of all trainers provided. Well qualified supervisory staff
1.4.1.2	Current Staff	50	50	Fully staffed.
1.4.1.3	Identification of Needed Staff	50	45	Question addressed. Will need to certify CALM instructors.
1.5	Data and Reporting			
1.5.1	Data and Reporting	325	320	Comprehensive data collection and reporting plan. Pre post, follow up, and PII identified.
Section 2	Offeror Qualifications			
2.1	References	Pass/Fail	pass	Excellent Company, excellent resumes
2.2	Company Profile and Experience	100	100	MSU and MORH/AHEC are well established in this field. Excellent company profile and experience.
2.3	Resumes for Section 1.4.1.1 Staff	25	25	Provided and excellent. Well qualified staff.
	Cost Proposal			
	Budget Line Item and Justification	200	150	Budget proposal is comprehensive, but 26% is high for MSU indirect costs. Line items detailed.
	Total Funding Requested	200	150	50% of budget is for salary and near max request. Asking for almost max
	Equal Pay for Montana Women Bonus Points			
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Offeror (Company) Name: Montana State University, Center for Research on Rural Education - Youth Aware of Mental Health				Total Points Awarded: 2000
Section	Category	Possible Points	Points Awarded	Mandatory Justification Comments for Points Awarded
Section 1	Scope of Work			
1.1	Letter of Commitment			
1.1	Letter of Commitment	50	50	YAM to 2700 students, 15 current sites and 5 new ones. Letter present and correct
1.2	Explanation of Services/Activities			
1.2.1	Description of Services/Activities	225	225	Well established program with a great track record. Additional trainers increase in schools and increase in total students served
1.2.2	Implementation of Services/Activities	200	200	Specific timeline identified including 6 tribal schools. Detailed implementation plan focus on most at risk communities for at risk youth suicide.
1.2.3	Person Responsible for Implementation/Monitoring	50	50	Kathy Shea has vast experience with YAM. Lead trainer identified and 13 new instructors planned.
1.2.4	Expected Outcomes	225	200	do pre/post test survey and annual report - but looking to see what anticipated change in behavior they were hoping to see. Comprehensive realistic and measurable outcomes
1.3	Population			
1.3.1	Population/Demographics	50	50	Excellent targeting at most high risk communities and populations. Well defined and thorough.
1.3.2	Need of Population	50	50	Clear description of need, specifically American Indian students. High need.
1.4	Staffing			
1.4.1.1	Delivery Personnel	100	100	Do to the multi year design of this program there is already a large bench of certified instructors and this year will produce more. Specific staff identified and plan to add new trainers.
1.4.1.2	Supervisor/Management	100	100	Clearly defined and org chart provided. Excellent supervision and management.
1.4.1.2	Current Staff	50	50	well qualified staff and large body of certified trainers. Clear definition of current staff.
1.4.1.3	Identification of Needed Staff	50	50	Clearly addressed. They will need to certify more YAM instructors but clearly part of the program and not a shortfall
1.5	Data and Reporting			
1.5.1	Data and Reporting	325	325	Comprehensive data collection and reporting plan. Excellent description
Section 2	Offeror Qualifications			
2.1	References	Pass/Fail	pass	Provided
2.2	Company Profile and Experience	100	100	Organization with a proven track record in this area. Accomplishments and experience clearly identified.
2.3	Resumes for Section 1.4.1.1 Staff	25	25	provided - sufficient resumes
	Cost Proposal			
	Budget Line Item and Justification	200	175	Expense type and justification was thorough. Detailed budget is high with indirect costs.
	Total Funding Requested	200	150	Asking for max. 22% of budget is for salary
	Equal Pay for Montana Women Bonus Points			
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Offeror (Company) Name: Nate Chute Foundation				Total Points Awarded: 1975
Section	Category	Possible Points	Points Awarded	Mandatory Justification Comments for Points Awarded
Section 1	Scope of Work			
1.1	Letter of Commitment			
1.1	Letter of Commitment	50	50	Letter present and correct. Full commitment to proposed project.
1.2	Explanation of Services/Activities			
1.2.1	Description of Services/Activities	225	225	LEARN serving 1500 students,LOSS teams serving 150 people and volunteer administrator for sustainability. Well designed program to address prevention, intervention, and postvention in high risk area, Flathead Community.
1.2.2	Implementation of Services/Activities	200	200	Detailed time based implementation of plan. Quarterly implementation outlined.
1.2.3	Person Responsible for Implementation/Monitoring	50	45	Clearly identified. Well qualified but unproven management team
1.2.4	Expected Outcomes	225	200	Comprehensive list of measurable outcomes. Good outcomes for LEARN including % increase, for post and ratings, however limited on LOSS and volunteer administrator
1.3	Population			
1.3.1	Population/Demographics	50	50	Good description. Targets youth and survivors of suicide in Flathead County
1.3.2	Need of Population	50	50	High risk population. Good description of high risk population
1.4	Staffing			
1.4.1.1	Delivery Personnel	100	100	Good description of delivery personnel. Well established non profit, but new to this program
1.4.1.2	Supervisor/Management	100	100	Well qualified leadership
1.4.1.2	Current Staff	50	50	Meets requirement. Excellent permanent staff
1.4.1.3	Identification of Needed Staff	50	45	Will need to hire a member through the grant, but t will be an existing member of their team. Concerned about overload of current staff to absorb duties.
1.5	Data and Reporting			
1.5.1	Data and Reporting	325	315	LEARN has strong metrics - others are limited. Comprehensive data and reporting plan.
Section 2	Offeror Qualifications			
2.1	References	Pass/Fail	pass	Provided
2.2	Company Profile and Experience	100	100	Clear profile and experience listed. Well established organization with a proven track record.
2.3	Resumes for Section 1.4.1.1 Staff	25	25	Present and correct. Resumes provided.
	Cost Proposal			
	Budget Line Item and Justification	200	200	Budget line item justification well explained. Detailed realistic budget
	Total Funding Requested	200	120	asking for max. 55% of budget on salary
	Equal Pay for Montana Women Bonus Points			
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Offeror (Company) Name: Tamarack Grief Resource Center				Total Points Awarded: 2020
Section	Category	Possible Points	Points Awarded	Mandatory Justification Comments for Points Awarded
Section 1	Scope of Work			
1.1	Letter of Commitment			
1.1	Letter of Commitment	50	50	Complete. Present and Correct
1.2	Explanation of Services/Activities			
1.2.1	Description of Services/Activities	225	215	Well established program with proven track record. Only concern is that the program is fixed in its objectives and has not adapted based on experience over the last few years when they have received the grant. Activities were identified but how do they plan on adding more schools.
1.2.2	Implementation of Services/Activities	200	200	Implementation periods identified. Comprehensive implementation plan
1.2.3	Person Responsible for Implementation/Monitoring	50	50	Highly qualified and experienced supervisory staff. Dr. Barrett will oversee all facets of grant.
1.2.4	Expected Outcomes	225	225	Percentage of respondents and change of behavior identified. Detailed and comprehensive set of measureable outcomes.
1.3	Population			
1.3.1	Population/Demographics	50	50	Tamarack has momentum and has covered large swath of the state. Good description of the state.
1.3.2	Need of Population	50	50	Good description of need. High risk population
1.4	Staffing			
1.4.1.1	Delivery Personnel	100	100	Well established team of service providers. Delivery personnel well defined.
1.4.1.2	Supervisor/Management	100	100	Clearly defined supervision Excellent management team
1.4.1.2	Current Staff	50	50	Fully staffed with experienced personnel. Clearly defined and excellent
1.4.1.3	Identification of Needed Staff	50	50	Addressed. NO additional staff needed.
1.5	Data and Reporting			
1.5.1	Data and Reporting	325	315	Excellent data collection and reporting plan. Good pre post changes would like more matrix on CGA
Section 2	Offeror Qualifications			
2.1	References	Pass/Fail	pass	Provided
2.2	Company Profile and Experience	100	100	Excellent organization. Good experience in rural communities
2.3	Resumes for Section 1.4.1.1 Staff	25	25	good clinical resumes. Resumes present and correct
	Cost Proposal			
	Budget Line Item and Justification	200	200	Straightforward and comprehensive budget. Clearly defined budget lines and justification
	Total Funding Requested	200	140	91% of budget on personnel. Requesting max
	Equal Pay for Montana Women Bonus Points			
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Offeror (Company) Name: Yellowstone City County Health Dept.				Total Points Awarded: 2020
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Section 1	Scope of Work			
1.1	Letter of Commitment			
1.1	Letter of Commitment	50	50	Letter is present and correct. Good description.
1.2	Explanation of Services/Activities			
1.2.1	Description of Services/Activities	225	215	LOSS Teams,lethal means counseling QPR train the trainer and 988 support. Thin description of activities
1.2.2	Implementation of Services/Activities	200	200	Implementation timeline is vague, lethal means safety plan is still "locks at gun shows" and does not plan to establish safe storage locations in Yellowstone County. Lethal means description is vague.
1.2.3	Person Responsible for Implementation/Monitoring	50	50	Clearly identified. Melissa Henderson but Kori Anderson and Bree Payne lack experience.
1.2.4	Expected Outcomes	225	225	Outcomes lack specific and measureablity and do not seem to know the name of their 988 centers; it is voices of hope not "hand of hope". Makes me doubt their ability to increase 988 utilization. Need to mention pre/post for QPR and a better measure for the mentorship program.
1.3	Population			
1.3.1	Population/Demographics	50	50	Good description. One of the only applicants working in the area
1.3.2	Need of Population	50	50	High risk population. Used a needs assessment.
1.4	Staffing			
1.4.1.1	Delivery Personnel	100	100	Specific personnel identified. Inexperienced staff
1.4.1.2	Supervisor/Management	100	100	Qualified supervisory staff. Lack specific supervisors.
1.4.1.2	Current Staff	50	50	Current staff identified. Fully staffed but inexperienced.
1.4.1.3	Identification of Needed Staff	50	50	No needed staff.
1.5	Data and Reporting			
1.5.1	Data and Reporting	325	315	988 awareness surveys,columbia and QH9 scores would like pre/post on QPR. Good data collection and reporting plan
Section 2	Offeror Qualifications			
2.1	References	Pass/Fail	pass	Provided
2.2	Company Profile and Experience	100	100	Excellent description and experience. Good company experience.
2.3	Resumes for Section 1.4.1.1 Staff	25	25	Present and correct. Complete.
	Cost Proposal			
	Budget Line Item and Justification	200	200	Cost provided for each activity. Amount for loss seems high
	Total Funding Requested	200	140	requesting almost max. Zero staff time paid out of proposal.
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**Good Response (75-94%):** A good response clearly meets all the requirements of the RFP and demonstrates in an unambiguous and concise manner a thorough knowledge and understanding of the project, with no deficiencies noted.

**Fair Response (60-74%):** A fair response minimally meets most requirements set forth in the RFP. The offeror demonstrates some ability to comply with guidelines and requirements of the project, but knowledge of the subject matter is limited.

**Failed Response (59% or less):** A failed response does not meet the requirements set forth in the RFP. The offeror has not demonstrated sufficient knowledge of the subject matter.

Score	25	50	100	200	225	325
<b>Superior (95-100%)</b>	23.5 - 25	47 - 50	94 - 100	188 - 200	211.5 - 225	305.5 - 325
<b>Good (75-94%)</b>	18.5 - 23.5	37 - 47	74 - 94	148 - 188	166.5 - 211.5	240.5 - 305.5
<b>Fair (60-74%)</b>	14.8 - 18.5	29.5 - 37	59 - 74	118 - 148	132.8 - 166.5	191.8 - 240.5
<b>Failed (0-59%)</b>	0 - 14.8	0 - 29.5	0 - 59	0 - 118	0 - 132.8	0 - 191.8

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