From: Shaw, Barbara
To: Irving, Toni; Jenkins, Lorri
Subject: Fw: IPAE (Selection Response: Victory & IPAE)
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FYI re IPAE

From: Sharronne Ward [mailto:SWard@GPSBH.org]
Sent: Wednesday, February 09, 2011 10:52 AM
To: Jenkins, Lorri; Shaw, Barbara
Cc: 'Angela Page' [redacted]
Subject: RE: IPAE (Selection Response: Victory & IPAE)

Hi Barbara, you asked that I provide an explanation as to why Victory Christian Assembly was selected as Coordinating Partner instead of IPAE. The selection criteria was outlined in the quarterly report submitted on Friday. However, per your request, I have outlined the rationale again with greater detail.

Victory Christian Assembly demonstrated the fiscal and program capacity to function as a coordinating partner. Victory experienced no difficulty gathering and submitting needed documentation as requested during the application phase. In addition, it was felt that due to Victory Christian Assembly's experience, they would be capable of providing the oversight and monitoring needed by IPAE for successful participation.

Supporting Documentation- Victory provided evidence of the following: Incorporation on June 9, 1987, tax exempt status on august 6, 1993, and registration with The Office of the Attorney General in 2002.

Experience managing funds- Victory has independently managed over $1 million in public funds and provided Reentry for 300 ex-offenders. In addition, Victory has been the lead or sole provider of reentry services since 1998. All services are provided at their facility in Markham, Illinois with structured hours of operation.
Victory received $300,000 from IDOC to independently provide reentry services. Victory also has experience providing job placement for ex-offenders.

Application Question # 3- This question was complete. Victory addressed each area thoroughly describing their experience.

Collaboration – Victory listed the agencies and organizations with whom they collaborate on a consistent basis.

Participation in other NRI component- Victory was approached to participate in other program components but, declined in an effort to allow other grassroots organizations the opportunity for participation- keeping with the spirit of the Initiative.

Although **IPAE** did not have the fiscal and program capacity to function as a coordinating partner, they were selected as a provider partner for the Community Reentry component. During the application phase, they experienced difficulty gathering needed documentation. However, it was decided to afford them the opportunity to participate with a great deal of oversight and monitoring provided by a coordinating partner and lead agency.

Supporting Documentation- Although IPAE has demonstrated that they have the credentials as a Not for Profit corporation, there were inconsistencies in the dates and information received. The State of Illinois Letter of Good Standing states IPAE was incorporated on April 19, 1994. However, a letter provided by IPAE's accountant stated incorporation on January 7, 2010. Furthermore, the narrative included with the application stated organization in 1995. The reviewer finally established incorporation from the State of Illinois Letter of Good Standing.

IPAE was not able to submit evidence of a registration number with the Office of The Attorney General. However, submitted a letter from their (IPAE) accountant.

Experience Managing/ funds- IPAE has managed a total of $498,570.00. However, the application narrative provided does not state that such funds were managed independently by IPAE. The narrative reads as though IPAE participated in collaborative projects (reentry) with My Brother's Keeper, another social service organization in the community.

Application Question # 3- Question # 3 was incomplete on the application. Applicants were asked to describe their experience for each component. IPAE listed service names only.

Collaboration – IPAE has extensive experience collaborating with other

providers in a training capacity. However, did not indicate they were a lead agency or provided services independently. In addition, IPAE did not demonstrate that they had experience providing services on-site.

Participation in other NRI components- IPAE was selected by Southland Heath Care Forum to provide PLAN for Bloom and Rich Townships.

Barbara, I must add that I am looking forward to working with all of the partners for this initiative, and trust that as program components are implemented, provider and coordinating partners will realize the success and satisfaction of being a part of this great project!

I trust that the information that I have provided has been helpful.

If you should need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thanks,

Sharronne

From: Jenkins, Lorri [mailto:Lorri.Jenkins@Illinois.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, February 08, 2011 4:05 PM
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Hi Sharrone,

Please give me a call as soon as possible. I have an urgent question regarding IPAE.

Thank you!

Lorri

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