# Delta House Development of Asheville, Inc.

# **LEAAP** for Success Community Learning Center

# 2016-2017

#### **Grant Funds:**

Delta House Life Development of Asheville, Inc. is requesting \$75,000.00 for operating expenses for "Delta House LEAAP for Success" (Learning through Extended Academics and the Arts Program) Community Learning Center, an expanded day after school program. The total expenses for the program is \$200,000.

The funds will be used for 100 at-risk students in grades K-12 from low-wealth families that includes help with reading and math homework, tutoring services, mentoring and enrichment classes such as art, music, jazz band, drumming, dance, health/nutrition, leadership and service learning. Funds will also help with operating expenses, hire teachers, tutors, teacher assistants, supplies, snacks, educational field trips, transportation and summer camp.

# About Delta House Life Development of Asheville, Inc.

Delta House is a non-profit, tax exempt 501 (c) (3) public service organization. It was incorporated December 20, 1983. Delta House owns it's Life Development Center; and the facility and property are valued at more than \$350,000.00. Delta House has been providing services to students and families living in Asheville and Buncombe County communities since 1983.

### Mission:

To provide services for students and their parents, adults, the economically disadvantaged and underprivileged to help them to achieve academically, creatively, culturally healthily and socially with a diverse population.

#### Vision:

Delta House Life Development of Asheville, Inc. is an organization committed to excellence in education, cultural arts, and social enrichment programs in a diverse community providing leadership through cooperation and collaboration.

## Partnerships:

Delta House Life Development of Asheville, Inc. has partnerships between our schools, our families, and communities working together provides a safe, stable and secure environment that promotes and models respect, positive self-esteem, academic achievement and communication while appreciating and affirming individual differences and a commitment to helping all students become lifelong learners.

#### Goals:

Delta House LEAAP for Success goal is to lessen the achievement gap between African American and Caucasian students in Asheville City and Buncombe County Schools.

Delta House LEAAP for Success will provide services to 100 at-risk students in grades K-12 who are
performing below grade level in reading, math and science and are at-risk of not passing to the next
grade.

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• At least 96% of the participating students in Delta House LEAAP for Success receive free and reduced lunch and are living below poverty; their parents cannot afford to pay for after school care.

#### **Evidence of success:**

Evidence of success will be achieved by meeting the program's goals and objectives. The program will be evaluated through the year using the following evidence:

- Pre and post-tests; report cards and mid-term reports; teachers and tutors observation; students' portfolios of work; exhibitions and performances
- Students improvements in behaviors and attendance in school
- Students improved their skills in math and literacy including writing, social studies, and science.
- Students are able to explore their interests and talents and thereby gain a sense of competence and self-worth.
- Students learn to appreciate their cultural heritage as well as other cultures
- Students gain a basic understanding of and skills in technology and in STEM.
- Passed to the next grade level and or graduate from high school.

Delta House will know if we were able to achieve our results based on our mission, vision, and goals of the program. The following are results we hope to achieve by spring of 2017.

- 85% of regular participating students will report value in completing homework after school to their success by spring 2017.
- 90% of participating students passed to the next grade level by spring 2017.
- 85% of teachers completing surveys will report students improved homework, attendance and behaviors as a result of program by spring 2017.
- 100% of students will choose a homework center to complete homework
- 95% of participating students' parents' attended workshops, classes, Family Nights and cultural events by spring 2017.
- 95% of regular participating students will be able to exhibit or perform what they have learned through the arts and other enrichment activities by spring 2016.
- 85% of regular participating students passed the NC State End-of- Grade test by the spring of 2017.

### Sustainability:

Delta House Life Development of Asheville, Inc., LEAAP for Success (Learning through Extended Academics and the Arts Program) is working to sustain our program financially by seeking sponsorship, business partners, grants, in-kind services, and sponsor fundraisers. Delta House current financial support also comes from foundations, direct mailings, contributions, piano lessons, workshops, tag sales, dinners, and donations for use of its Life Development Center. Delta House owns its Life Development Center.

# Partnerships and collaborative partners:

Our collaborative partners provide use of facility such as classroom space, auditorium, cafeteria, fellowship halls and recreation centers for our after-school programs as well use of their janitors after the programs are over for the day.

- The Housing Authority of the City of Asheville
- The Key Center and teachers from UNCA are providing tutors to work with our school.
- Asheville city Schools
- St. Paul Baptist Church
- Hopkins Chapel A. M. E. Zion Church
- LEAF School and Street
- Hill Crest Enrichment Center

The funds will be used to help secure support staff for providing academics and enrichment services to 100 atrisk students in grades K-12.

### Personnel Cost: \$45,000.00 (33.75 % of cost)

Teachers and teacher assistants are needed to provide academic and enrichment support with the students.

- (1) Program Director: Part-time \$25,000 year x 18 hrs. Per week
- (4) Teacher x 1 hour per day @ \$18.00 per hour = \$54. Per day x 4 days per week = \$ 216 x 30 weeks =\$ 11,000
- (4) Teacher Assistant @  $$10.00 \times 2$  hours per day=\$40.00 per day  $\times 4$  days per week =  $$160.00 \times 30$  weeks = \$9,600.

### Educational Field trips: \$5000.00 (3.5% of cost)

The field trips are needed for team building, cultural enrichment and performances.

### Indirect Cost: \$ 15,000 (11.2% of cost)

Internet, cable and telephone bundle is needed for students to use the computer labs for research, technology/STEM and communication with parents and students. LEAAP for Success Program uses Delta House's facility about 75% of the time. Water, heat and electricity are needed for program operations and 22% of the total cost has been budgeted.

# Supplies & Materials: \$10,000.00 (\$7.5% of cost)

Supplies & materials (\$5,000.); online curriculum programs for building skills (\$2,000.) STEM/technology kits & supplies (\$2,000.); educational resources such as books, art supplies, games, videos (\$1,000.) are needed for hands-on activities to help students in groups, individual and learning centers.

The total amount of grant funds requested is \$75,000.00.