



2010 Global Youth Service Day Mini Grant Application

1. Contact Information

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2. Project Details

Organization Type: (Select all that apply)

Faith-based Non-profit Government Education
 Club Business Other: _____

Which pool of funding are you applying for:

Disability Inclusion Youth Service Youth Service

Community Served: Families in crisis in western Douglas County

Description of Youth Population (ages, demographics): We provide volunteerism to all youth in western D.C.; we provide service to families in crisis (35% Hispanic, 1% African, 64% Caucasian)

Expected Number of Volunteers: 10-30

Number of Youth (age 5-25) anticipated out of expected volunteers: 10-30

3. Please describe your Youth Service Day Project plan and how it is applicable to the "YOUth Can!" theme:

We planted our first "Community Garden" in the Spring of 2009. We wish to enlarge and improve the size and harvest of our second annual "Community Garden" this April and May. The tilling, enriching of the soil, building of a fence, organizing of the rows, and preparing of a successful 20' by 20' garden is our youth project. When youth come together in a spirit of giving, with their energy and ingenuity, a garden of love and kindness will grow. The youth will create a gift that will feed our 450+ ~~single~~ families through Summer and Fall!



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4. Project Location (Complete Address): 3434 N. 204th St. - C.O.P.E.

20500 W. Maple Rd - garden plot.

5. Does your project include a Service-Learning approach: Yes No

If yes, please describe: The youth will gather at C.O.P.E. to learn of our cooperative mission of service. We will all devise a plan for successful garden preparation and division of labor.

6. If your project includes youth with disabilities or focuses on serving those with disabilities, describe how:

7. Does your project plan to engage youth not normally asked to serve: Yes No

If yes, please explain:

No, we will rely on youth volunteering. However, to maintain the garden throughout summer & Fall, client families will be asked to weed & harvest. Youth from these families will be asked, then, to make the garden their own.

8. How will your project meet the needs of your community:

It will feed families fresh vegetables for summer and Fall!

9. Day(s) completing service: April 23 April 24 April 25 Other: _____

10. How will you recruit volunteers for this project: C.O.P.E. is comprised of 10 member churches in western Douglas County. We will gather youth groups, confirmation candidates, and school clubs to gather and assist.

11. How will you involve youth in leadership roles:

We will create a division of labor and ask for youth to step into "heads of committee" positions. (e.g. fence-building)

12. How many youth are involved in the planning of this service project: At this point, none. If we receive the grant, we will solicit 10 youth planners.

13. Is this project a collaboration with another service day: Yes No

If yes, which one(s) and with whom: Not at this time.

14. What supplies or resources will be necessary to complete this project: fence posts & rails (20' x 20'), 30 bags mulch & compost, seeds & seedlings, string, row tags.

15. What is the plan for participant and volunteer transportation to the project location?

Youth must provide transport to and from site.

16. How will you track numbers of volunteers and volunteer service hours:

We have a thorough volunteer log database (excel spreadsheet)

17. What will the end result of your project be: An enlarged, bountiful community garden, serving a population, in need, of over 400 families.

18. How will you know your project was a success:

We will know of success in the process of fellowship and labor on the dates of April 23rd - 25th, as well as the delivery of fresh vegetables to families who come to COPE for food pantries throughout the Summer and Fall.



Budget Summary (Be as detailed as possible)

1. Please present the full budget for the project, highlighting other sources of funds.

Materials/ Supplies:

ITEM	REQUEST	OTHER FUNDS	SOURCE(S) OF OTHER FUNDS	TOTAL COST
Fencing Rails	\$ 300			
Fencing Posts	(see above)			
Mulch/ Compost	\$ 100	\$ 100	ACE donates to our garden	
Misc.	\$ 100			
<i>Sub-Total</i>	<i>\$ 500</i>			

Travel (mileage, food costs):

ITEM	REQUEST	OTHER FUNDS	SOURCE(S) OF OTHER FUNDS	TOTAL COST
<i>Sub-Total</i>				

Other:

ITEM	REQUEST	OTHER FUNDS	SOURCE(S) OF OTHER FUNDS	TOTAL COST
Seeds, seedlings	—	\$ 100	ACE donation; Church donations	
<i>Sub-Total</i>				

Total: \$ 500.

2. Budget Narrative: Please describe why the requested funds are necessary for the success of this project.

Our largest request is for fencing materials. We believe we can find these rails and posts at discounted costs, based on the cooperation of area business throughout our seven years of service to the community. ACE Hardware continues to support our requests for assistance specifically when starting up our simple First Year Community Garden in 2009. We are confident they will donate some mulch, compost, and seeds. The 10 member churches also will step forward with enthusiasm to match "Serve Nebraska's" grant assistance.