

Prop 202 Funding Requested from Ak-Chin Indian Community

Pass-through the City of Maricopa

(In place of the City's non-profit funding)

Project Description

Against Abuse, Inc. (AAI) is requesting funds for Outpatient and Emergency Inpatient Domestic Violence services and supports implemented in the City of Maricopa.

- The purpose of these services is to ensure that victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, teen dating violence and trafficking have the information and resources they need to (1) Seek and ensure their safety – both immediate and long-term; (2) Seek and obtain meaningful employment for self-sufficiency; and (3) Increase knowledge and skills related to improving their quality of life.
- In order to enhance implementation of these services, AAI needs support with a portion of the following: (1) .25 FTEs which represents three staff members; (2) equipment in the form of a copier/printer/fax machine and the purchase of a van for transportation services; (3) space rental fees for the outpatient office; and (4) miscellaneous supplies/printing costs to keep the issue of domestic violence in the forefront of needs for the city of Maricopa.
- The specific services to be provided both inpatient and outpatient are: Safety including a danger assessment and safety planning, case management, lay legal advocacy, counseling, education through course curricula in groups with a focus on increasing knowledge and skills in the areas of parenting, healthy relationships, life skills, communication and developing boundaries. In addition, teen dating violence classes are taught in Maricopa schools. Transportation is provided to victims if needed to go to court, meet with their attorney, job hunt or apply for food stamps/other services, etc.

How this Aligns with the City's Strategic Plan

This program aligns with the City of Maricopa's 2013-16 Strategic Plan as follows:

- AAI provides Quality of Life and Public Safety priorities to victims through safe and secure emergency shelter services as well as safety planning. The provision of counseling and group education helps victims become stable, healthy, contributing members of society.
- AAI provides or coordinates safe and efficient transportation for victims' appointments (medical, legal, interviews, etc.) which aligns with the Transportation priority for citizens.

Amount of Application

Against Abuse, Inc. is requesting \$75,000 for Personnel, Space Costs, Supplies and Equipment including the purchase of a van for transportation of victims. These funds, if awarded, require support and sponsorship from the City of Maricopa in the form of a Resolution.

Thank you.