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Community Connectors Grant

RE: All THAT-Teens Hopeful About Tomorrow

Dear Committee

The Columbus Public Health Department – Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program is eager to collaborate with All THAT – Teens Hopeful About Tomorrow in its intention to provide after school mentoring programming for teens in our community who face adversity. These are children and youth of families that we serve on a regular basis.

We understand that All THAT's goals for this grant are:

#1: To serve approximately 50 young people per year in high need neighborhoods to include Columbus City Schools, Whitehall City schools and others.

#2: To provide education about alcohol and other drug use and its impact on young people's lives. Also, to train youth in addressing key life skills such as identifying coping mechanisms, decision making with a focus on outcomes, gaining a perspective focused on the future, and many more attributes that are linked to an increase in overall leadership and resiliency.

The Columbus Public Health staff will provide recruitment presentations for participants, pre/post surveys, baseline data forms, support & education groups using the after school curriculum and a follow up survey during the 2015-16 school year.

All THAT, an organization for which we have provided training services in the past, provides our agency an opportunity to expand our no-charge training services to a population which are in vital need of alcohol and drug prevention education. We believe that the funding provided by this grant will benefit the teens in the All THAT program while, hopefully, preventing more children from becoming users of alcohol and drugs and becoming involved in violence and negative situations.

Sincerely,



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