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Re: Community Action Grant Support

Dear Grant Selection Committee,

Please accept this letter of support for the community action grant proposal offered by First Step Family Violence Intervention Services.

My educational and professional credits include a Master of Social Work Degree and more than 20 years of experience serving children and families, including working with children in residential treatment and treatment foster care. I am a Licensed Independent Social Worker with a Supervision Endorsement. I operate MSW Solutions, a private practice counseling and social work services center. Additionally, I serve as the Executive Director of The Mentoring Center of Coshocton County, provide contracted Guardian Ad Litem services for the Coshocton County Common Pleas Court, and teach as an adjunct faculty member for Central Ohio Technical College.

As the Executive Director of the Mentoring Center of Coshocton County for more than 10 years, I have witnessed first-hand the positive impact that guided mentoring services can have on the lives of children and families. I am excited to have the opportunity to reach a group of young people who have traditionally been underserved.

I am particularly interested in assisting with the training and support services for the mentors, as I have experienced exceedingly positive results to the youth when mentors receive the benefit of comprehensive pre-service training as well as on-going support and connection.

Please feel free to contact me at (740) 722-9095 or [sheilamayse@mwsolutions.org](mailto:sheilamayse@mwsolutions.org) if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

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