

MAY 16 2022

Approved**\$725,000-****American Rescue Plan Project Submission Form**

Project Name - A short name for your project, such as "Sewer Line Expansion along Main St."

LaunchPads—ReInspire Young Adult Housing

Primary Point of Contact - The name and contact information for the person in your organization that should be contacted first about this project for more details.

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Project Description - A description of your project or item for purchase in 250 words or less, including why the project is needed and how that need will be met.

ReInspire proposes to build a housing program for 8-10 young adults in Johnson County. Lack of safe and stable housing is an overwhelming obstacle for our young adults emerging from foster care, homelessness, and other circumstances. Twenty five percent of foster youth become homeless on their 18th birthday. In five years of operation, ReInspire has seen this first-hand. The need can not be overstated. We also know the difference-maker a program like this would be in Johnson County. For the youth served and the larger community that benefits from healthy contributing citizens. Young adults would have the stability and support they need to pursue and achieve goals. ReInspire services like life skills, job skills, and mentoring will all be part of the program. The name of this program is descriptive as we know such a program can support a young person's successful "launch" into adulthood. This program would not be a shelter. We will create a safe and stable place for young adults to live as they secure full time employment and/or higher education (inclusive of technical training and apprentice type programs). We would keep the program small to avoid stigma and keep quality high. ReInspire lives in Johnson County too. We can provide the support and expertise to support clients to grow into great neighbors and citizens. We have a number of community members, professionals, and local builders to support us with the development and construction phases.

Project Location - Where your project will be performed, such as "500 feet along Main Street". Include maps, if available.

Location in Johnson County will be identified once funding is awarded. We have two highly qualified and experienced local developer/builders supporting our efforts. We have identified a number of prospective locations.

Project Budget - A rough estimate of the budget required for your project.

We are requesting \$725,000 for this project to secure the location and build. The impact of this program will last for years to come as young adults move into full independence and new clients move in.

Project Timeframe - An estimate of how long it will take to start the project, how long the project will take to complete, and how long it will take to expend all funds related to the project.

Twelve-15 months. We anticipate a 8-10 month construction phase once the location and plans are approved.

*Please note we believe this timeline is reasonable because initial planning has been completed inclusive of building a team of experts (e.g., real estate, developer, builders).

Rachel Sitrer

From: Charise Olson <ChariseO@wearereinspire.org>
Sent: Friday, February 25, 2022 4:01 PM
To: kevin.dyer@grantworks.net; County Judge (public address)
Subject: ARPA Funding Request
Attachments: Funding_ARPAFunding_Housing.pdf

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Hello, Sirs;

Please find a completed form requesting ARPA funds to build a housing program for vulnerable young adults. This program will change lives for the better for years to come. Please reach out if you have any questions or need additional information. Thank you for your consideration.

Best,
~Charise

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Project Name - *A short name for your project, such as "Sewer Line Expansion along Main St."*

Losses due to Covid Impact

Primary Point of Contact - *The name and contact information for the person in your organization that should be contacted first about this project for more details.*

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ReInspire is applying for assistance due to losses we experienced in 2020 -2021 due to Covid. These losses continue to impact our ability to serve in 2022. ReInspire was established in 2017 (IRS Status in Feb 2018). We are based in Johnson County and serve vulnerable teens and young adults in Johnson County. Our clients are youth aging out of foster care, youth who have been homeless, or experienced other adverse experiences that act as obstacles to success and stability. As a still-growing and rather new nonprofit, we entered 2020 with a lot of momentum from two successful county-wide fundraisers and other work we had done to build our revenue streams in 2019. In March of 2020, this momentum seemed to disappear overnight. However, we never closed our doors. Needs for our services increased dramatically as our young clients experienced the pandemic. In fact, ReInspire expanded services as other agencies closed and we responded to the needs of our young people. We continued to have costs and expenses with no income. ReInspire relies solely on grants, donations, and fundraisers to operate. Every area of income was impacted and greatly reduced, in some cases to 0. Successful fundraisers take years to build. The impact of 2020 only served to increase the losses- and burden- for 2021. We are still feeling the effects in 2022. These funds would allow us to recover financially as we continue to serve the youth in our communities.

Project Location - *Where your project will be performed, such as "500 feet along Main Street". Include maps, if available.*

ReInspire is based in and serves Johnson County.

Project Budget - *A rough estimate of the budget required for your project.*

\$153,000 (2020, 2021 only)

Project Timeframe - *An estimate of how long it will take to start the project, how long the project will take to complete, and how long it will take to expend all funds related to the project.*

These funds would provide a sense of security we have not had since February 2020. This funding would allow us to continue and expand our services. We intend to serve the teens and young adults of Johnson County as long as they need us.

Paula G. Reid

From: Charise Olson <ChariseO@wearereinspire.org>
Sent: Sunday, April 3, 2022 2:44 PM
To: Kevin Dyer; County Judge (public address)
Subject: ARPA Application for Covid Losses
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Hello,
Please find our attached application for ARPA funds due to Covid-related losses in 2020-2021. While we continue to feel the effects in this first quarter of 2022, those are not currently reflected in the application. I'll wait for clarification if 2022 can be included.

This application is meant to replace our application for the Resource Center per the guidance from Kevin at Grantworks.

We are scheduled to present before the Commissioners on April 13 (for Launchpads, young adult housing). Please let me know if I should include this application information in that presentation as well.

Thank you.
Best,
~Charise

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Project Name - A short name for your project, such as "Sewer Line Expansion along Main St."

ReInspire Youth and Young Adult Resource Center

Primary Point of Contact - The name and contact information for the person in your organization that should be contacted first about this project for more details.

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ReInspire proposes to develop a resource center for youth and young adults in Johnson County aged 12-23 years. This center will meet the increased needs we have seen since Covid and respond to ongoing needs in our communities. Our clients include youth aging out of foster care and other youth with a history of trauma and family disruption (e.g., homelessness, justice involvement). Services at the center will include GED coaching, job search and retention, mentoring, daily living skill programs, social-emotional skills programs, and sober support. These are services the youth of our community need to be successful. Eighty percent of former foster youth are failing as adults, ending up incarcerated, homeless, or chronically unemployed. Nearly 30% will go on to lose their own children. ReInspire exists to change that story for Johnson County. We are the only agency based in Johnson County serving this population with direct and practical skills. Using trauma informed and best practices, ReInspire provides hope, services, and connection to young people in our county. We have been in operation for nearly five years and a resource center will allow us to expand and offer more services to youth. The needs have grown since the beginning of the pandemic. We will have experienced staff and trained volunteers operating the center. The center will have drop-in and by appointment hours inclusive of evenings and weekends to allow for highest access. We will also will hire an addiction specialist to provide support to young people working to stay sober. ReInspire does not expend funds on offices. This center will be for direct services.

Project Location - Where your project will be performed, such as "500 feet along Main Street". Include maps, if available.

We will be renting space from St. Mark Methodist Church at 1109 W. Henderson, Cleburne. There is a kitchen, multi-purpose room, and outdoor space that we will also be able to use as needed. The rooms we've identified will be designated for ReInspire use only. The church is conveniently located on a main road with good parking and near entry-level employers.

Project Budget - A rough estimate of the budget required for your project.

We are requesting \$75,000. This will cover equipment needed and first year operations. The negative impact due to Covid has restricted our fundraising and as a small agency, these funds would help us recover and develop this center to serve the teens and young adults.

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Award-90 days: Finalize rental agreement, order signage, and equipment. Finalize partner agreement for GED program. Hire addiction specialist. Outreach to youth and community about new services.

90-120 days: Open center.

Funds will cover 12 months of operation which allow us to open the center and implement our sustainability plans.

*Please note this timeline is reasonable because many of our services are already operating and the pre-planning, leadership, and volunteers are in place. We only lack the funding to go from plan to reality.

Rachel Sitler

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Best,
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