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2019-2020 PUBLIC SERVICE GRANT APPLICATION

Organization Legal Name: Sword Outreach, Mentoring & Resource Center, Inc.
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Contact Person: Terrance Beauford Title: Executive Director
BEST CONTACT Phone Number: 772-204-5015 Email Address: _____
Website Address: WWW.SWORDOUTREACH.COM

LEGAL STATUS OF ORGANIZATION:

Incorporated, Not-for-Profit - Month and Year of incorporation/creation: 2009
 INCLUDE COPY OF CURRENT 501(c)(3) DOCUMENTATION FROM INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE.

Person Authorized to Sign on Behalf of this Organization. Signature Must Be Notarized.

Irene A. Szedlmayer Today's Date: 2/7/2020
Signature
Print Name: IRENE A. SZEDLMAYER Title: SECRETARY
Telephone Number: 956-854-5236 Email Address: irene.szedlmayer@gmail.com

NOTARY STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF ST. LUCIE

BEFORE ME, an officer duly authorized by law to administer oaths and take acknowledgements, personally appeared Irene Szedlmayer, who is personally known to me or produced Florida Drivers License as identification, and acknowledged he/she executed the forgoing Agreement for the use and purposes mentioned in it and that the instrument is his/her act and deed.

IN WITNESS OF THE FORGOING, I have set my hand and official seal in the State and County aforesaid in this 7th day of February, 2020.

NOTARY PUBLIC Daisy Ruiz
My Commission Expires: May 13, 2021



PLEASE SUBMIT AN ORIGINAL APPLICATION AND 7 COPIES
Attach additional pages, as necessary.



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PLEASE PRINT NEATLY OR TYPE YOUR ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS IN THIS APPLICATION.

1. Describe your organization and list your Mission Statement.

See attached

2. Describe your organization's history and prior experience, including a description of programs/projects similar to the one you are applying for in this application.

See attached

3. List all previous grants awarded by the City of Fort Pierce to **YOU or any organization(s) you were previously or are currently associated with.** If None, write N/A below:

<u>Program Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
2018-19	<i>see attached</i>	
2017-18		
2016-17		

Please Note: Organizations/Applicants who have received funding for three consecutive years may be deferred in order to provide funding for newer activities.

4. If you have received funding from the City of Fort Pierce for Public Service projects in the past, please explain **HOW** the program/project described in this grant application is **NEW OR EXPANDED:**

see attached

5. What is your organization's annual budget? Describe how your organization is currently funded.

see attached

6. Do the City of Fort Pierce and/other local organizations in Fort Pierce provide services similar to your agency? If you answered Yes, how do your services compliment their offerings? If yes, explain. How are your services different?

see attached

7. Project Name (please keep it short): SWORD ART and Neighborhood Beautification Project



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Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) 2019 Income Limits								
Number of People Living in Household	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Extremely Low Income	13,550	16,910	21,330	25,750	30,170	34,590	39,010	42,550
Very Low Income	22,550	25,800	29,000	32,200	34,800	37,400	39,950	42,550
Low Income	36,050	41,200	46,350	51,500	55,650	59,750	63,900	68,000

8. U.S. Dept. of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) National Objective Activities: (check one)
- Area benefit** activity (the activity benefits/is open to everyone in a particular low-income neighborhood or geography)
 - Limited Clientele** activity (particular individuals or households receive a benefit, and the majority of them qualify as low income)
 - Presumed Benefit** activity (the activity benefits a group of individuals presumed by HUD to qualify for a benefit: battered spouses, homeless, elderly, severely disabled adults, abused children, illiterate adults, persons with HIV/AIDS, or migrant farm workers)

9. Which National Objective(s) shown below does your project/program(s) meet?
- Benefit low to moderate-income persons.
 - Help in the prevention of slums or blight; and/or
 - Meet other community needs having a particular urgency because other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.

10. Beneficiaries from National Objective Activities (#8 Above)

- A. Who are the intended beneficiaries of this program/project? Describe how the project will ensure that the intended beneficiaries are being served and the target population will be reached, including how beneficiaries are identified, and any outreach performed:

see attached

- B. If the project will provide an "Area Benefit", please clearly define the geographic area to be served by the proposed activity. Include a map, if necessary.

Primarily census tracts 3802 and 3803.

- C. If the project will benefit "Limited Clientele", list the approximate number and percentage of total persons assisted through this project/program who will be Low to Moderate Income (LMI) and how their income level will be determined.

NA



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D. If a project will provide a "Presumed Benefit", please identify the group(s):

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Abused Children | <input type="checkbox"/> Illiterate Adults |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lower Income Senior Citizens | <input type="checkbox"/> Migrant Farm Workers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elderly | <input type="checkbox"/> Persons with HIV/AIDS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Homeless | <input type="checkbox"/> Severely Disabled Adults |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lower Income Youth | <input type="checkbox"/> Severely Disabled Children/Youth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |

11. Describe the existing problems or needs to be addressed by this program/project.

see attached

12. Describe your proposed project's activities and how they will address the problems/needs you listed in #11 above.

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13. List the physical addresses where your proposed project activities (listed in #12 above) will take place. Use street addresses within the City limits of Fort Pierce.

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14. List this project's measurable goals and objectives, as well as the date(s) when each will be met.

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15. How will you track the results of these goals and objectives? (This information will be required with your monthly status reports.)

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16. Briefly describe measurements of outcomes for each of the activities listed in #12. (Examples - number of unduplicated low/moderate income youth served, number of unduplicated senior citizens served, number of unduplicated Veterans served, number of unduplicated adults served, etc.)

See attached



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17. Amount of Grant Funds requested in this application: 3,329.92
 Amount of other funds secured for this program/project: None at this time
 Amount of other funds earmarked for the program/project: \$2400 in volunteer hours
 Total amount needed to complete this program/project: 3,329.92 for supplies plus 200 volunteer hours

18. Describe your contingency plan in the event this grant request is not fully funded, or not funded at all by the City of Fort Pierce:
see attached

19. If this is a multi-year project, how will you continue to implement this project if City grant funds are not available in future years?
see attached.

20. Select every qualifier below that best describes your project.

- Improve or enhance education opportunities
- Improve or enhance job training opportunities
- Improve or enhance employment opportunities
- Promote cultural diversity
- Promote outdoor activities and a healthy lifestyle
- Spur interest and participation in neighborhood improvement activities
- Encourage citizen involvement and leverage resources to revitalize low and moderate-income neighborhoods
- Encourage partnerships between City Hall, residents and other community organizations that will result in projects and activities that benefit a community
- Instill and foster community pride
- Promote neighborhood beautification and revitalization
- Promote activities that protect the environment
- Discourage adverse activity such as crime, drug use, and vandalism
- Inspire and support the healthy development of youth



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21. Write an explanation below of how your project will perform each qualifier you selected above:

See attached.

22. Date project to begin:

June 1, 2020

- Date project to be completed:

Sept. 30, 2020

23. Describe any participant fees that will be required as part of this project/program. Please see "New for Program Year 2019-2020" on Page 4 of the Grant Guidance.

None

24. Applicants must demonstrate that the selection of participants is an objective process and Grant Recipient may not limit participation on the basis of race, gender, nationality, ethnicity, religion, creed, or disability. How will your project comply with this expectation?

See attached.

25. If this project is sponsored by a church or religious group, participation may not be limited to members of the church. What efforts will you make to ensure that the community at-large is aware of this project and the opportunity for participation?

NA. SWORD is not a church or religious organization.



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26. Provide a COMPLETE, detailed budget for **THIS** project in the budget chart below. List proposed City grant funds and other committed funds and 'in-kind contributions', donated professional services, fees and other resources that will be used to complete the project. List a detailed breakdown of individual items. Use specific descriptions, not broad categories. Remember, committed funds and/or in-kind services must equal at least 25% of your grant request.

Be sure to include verification documentation of all funds listed below as 'Committed' or 'In-Kind'. Commitments listed in the budget below that lack documentation will not be counted as commitments.

NOTE: Volunteer Hours may be calculated at \$12/hour.

- Please provide at least one (1) quote for each item listed that you will purchase with this grant award in the above Budget under 'Expense/Description'. Each quote should list vendor/company with contact information.

Program/Project Expense/Description	City Grant	Other Committed Funds and/or \$ Amount or In-Kind	Source of Other Committed Funds or In-Kind Services (Please provide written verification of <u>Every</u> in-kind service listed here from the "Source")
<i>Please see</i>			
<i>attached</i>			
TOTALS	\$	\$ 2400	<i>100 hours of volunteer artist and 100 hrs by other</i>
(use more lines/pages as necessary)		2400	<i>volunteers.</i>



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27. Organization Staff and Volunteers

Please complete the information listed below for each person in your organization who will work on **THIS** project and the percentage of time they will dedicate to the project, including all volunteers.

Name #1 *Andre Barnes*
 Telephone Number *850-264-0339*
 Email Address *BARNESANDRE49@GMAIL.COM*
 Organization Position *Chairman*
 City of Residence *Fort Pierce, FL*
 Qualifications *public school teacher born + raised in Fort Pierce*
 Professional Licenses

Role in Project
 % of Time Dedicated to Project *Mr. Barnes is the lead volunteer. He is a professional artist and elementary art teacher. He teaches SWORD's Thursday Art Club. He will devote ±100 hours.*

Name #2
 Telephone Number *#2 Irene A. Szedlmayer*
 Email Address *956-854-5236 irene.szedlmayer@gmail.com*
 Organization Position *Secretary*
 City of Residence *Fort Pierce*
 Qualifications
 Professional Licenses
 Role in Project
 % of Time Dedicated to Project *Ms. Szedlmayer is an avid gardener and naturalist. She will be the lead volunteer on the landscaping. She will devote ±75 hours.*

Many other volunteer Board members + community members will make this project happen.

28. Please attach ALL of the documents listed below to your application. Include a written explanation for EACH document not included:

- Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws
- State and Federal Tax-Exempt determination letter
- Employee Identification Number
- List of Board of Directors with contact information
- Organizational Chart for your Organization
- Board of Director's authorization to apply for this grant
- Last three month's bank statements
- Annual budgets for 2019-2020
- Most recent audit report (if this is not available, provide written explanation)
- Matching funds and In-Kind Services commitment documentation (Budget, #26)
- Three (3) Letters of Support for this project
- Newspaper articles, and Thank-You letters, etc., as available, for your organization's work within the City of Fort Pierce.

END OF 2019-2020 PUBLIC SERVICE GRANT APPLICATION

Sword Outreach, Mentoring and Resource Center, Incorporated

Application

to the City of Fort Pierce CDBG 2019-2020 Public Service Award Grant Program

1. Describe your organization and list your Mission Statement.

Sword Outreach, Mentoring and Resource Center, Incorporated's by-laws state the mission as follows:

"Sword Outreach Mentoring and Resource Center is a holistic mentoring organization focused on at-risk young men and young women who are influenced by gangs, poverty or a lack of role models. We help them build the self-esteem, character and initiative to conquer life challenges."

2. Describe your organization's history and prior experience, including a description of programs/projects similar to the one you are applying for in this application.

Sword Outreach Mentoring and Resource Center, Incorporated (hereinafter SWORD) was incorporated in October 2009. The objective of the organization has been expressed as "enhancing opportunities for our community while building family relationships and changing lives one youth at a time." Activities organized and operated by SWORD include summer camp at two Fort Pierce public housing authority neighborhoods and after-school tutoring and enrichment activities at the SWORD Center located in the Fort Pierce Housing Authority complex known as Parkland Court, on Avenue Q. SWORD has operated various athletic and performance arts activities including a dance team, a step team, and basketball teams. SWORD sponsors at-school mentoring activities for middle-school and high-school youth as well as Saturday mentoring activities two times per month—one learning day and one fun day. SWORD also involves the children and youth in community service through the quarterly clean-ups at Moore's Creek Park and annual participation in the Paint the Town Restoring the Village neighborhood improvement activities.

SWORD's art program currently is focused on the Thursday afternoon art club held as part of the after-school program. Each week art classes are led by a professional artist and elementary art teacher, Andre Barnes. The art program began with a very modest start—hosting a painting table at the Highwaymen's Festival in Fort Pierce in 2017. Our table was crowded all day by enthusiastic children who expressed delight at the painting activity.

3. List all previous grants awarded by the City of Fort Pierce to YOU or any organization(s) you were previously or are currently associated with.

Program Year	Amount	Purpose
2018-19	NA	NA
2017-18	\$5,000	Higher Learning and Community Opportunities Service Expansion
2016-17	\$4,000	Summer Camp for low-income children
2015-16	\$4,600	purchase computers to equip the Higher Learning and Community Opportunities project

4. If you have received funding from the City of Fort Pierce for Public Service projects in the past, please explain **HOW** the program/project described in this grant application is **NEW OR EXPANDED**:

Funds are requested for an expansion of the SWORD art program and a neighborhood beautification program. A professional artist will sketch an uplifting, inspiring mural at SWORD's Center on Avenue Q. The theme of the mural is Celebrating African American Culture and will depict images related to music, sports, dance, art, and education. He will oversee the painting of the mural by the children in the summer camp program, as well children and adults from the entire Parkland and Bethany neighborhood. The entire community will be invited to participate. Professional artists will then clean-up and refine the work produced by the children and the community.

Additionally, SWORD seeks to contribute to the beautification of the Lincoln Park Neighborhood by landscaping the SWORD Outreach, mentoring and Resource Center on Avenue Q. Again, the children in the summer camp program, young people in the mentoring program, and other residents of the neighborhood will assist in the digging, planting, mulching and on-going maintenance. It is hoped that this landscaping will be the start of additional gardening at the Center and at Parkland.

Finally, the SWORD Art Club has operated for two years now. The art teacher dreams of taking the children to the A.E. Backus Museum so they can see "real" art. The field trip will be nearly a full-day activity, including a visit to the museum, the River Walk linear park, a picnic lunch and *air plein* landscape painting. Though admission to the museum is free for children, most of the children in the Art Club have never been there. Additionally, financial support is sought to acquire supplies for the art program.

This Art and Neighborhood Beautification Project builds on the many steps taken and investment made by the City to foster the arts including the mural program, the colorful street lamp banners, the beautification of the utility and transportation control boxes, the Highwaymen Festival and the creation of the Peacock Arts District. This project will extend the City's efforts to Avenue Q and the Parkland Court and Bethany Court public housing complexes.

5. What is your organization's annual budget? Describe how your organization is currently funded. ^(L)_(SEP)

SWORD's total annual budget in 2019-2020 was \$91,005.24.

The budget for 2020-21 is projected to be approximately \$250,000. The budget for 2020-21 anticipates increased funding from Children's Services Council of St. Lucie County and other philanthropic individuals and organizations. The increased funding will expand SWORD's in-school mentoring program by recruiting more mentors, offering a modest financial stipend to college student-aged mentors, and commencing activities in additional public schools.

SWORD has received financial support from the Children's Services Council of St. Lucie County, Allegany Franciscan Ministries, United Way of St. Lucie County, contributions from members of the Board of Directors and other individuals, and has generated funds through events such as concession stand sales at the Pop Warner football games and bucket drives outside of Wal-Mart.

6. Do the City of Fort Pierce and/or other local organizations in Fort Pierce provide services similar to your agency? If you answered Yes, how do your services compliment their offerings? If yes, explain. ^(L)_(SEP) How are your services different?

Many organizations offer supervised after-school activities for children. Some are for-profit businesses and some are charitable endeavors. Through the 21st Century Community Learning Centers program, after-school care is offered at several St. Lucie County Public Schools, but not at Francis Sweet Elementary School which is the closest elementary school to Bethany Court and Parkland Court Apartments. The Boys and Girls Club of St. Lucie County offers after-school program at the Percy Peek gym at 29th and Avenue D, and at Garden Terrace at 31st and Avenue J. At Avenue B and 23rd Street is the Multi-Cultural Center for Families, and the Agricultural and Labor Program, Inc. offers child care services and after-school tutoring at 22nd Street and Avenue Q.

With regard to encouraging children to develop an appreciation for art and to foster skill development in the arts, one new program in Fort Pierce is the Lindsay School of the Arts, which has entered an agreement with the City to refurbish the historic St. Anastasia School and develop a community arts center. They currently provide various art classes, free of charge at 7th Street and Orange Street. SWORD partners with

the Boys and Girls Club at the Percy Peek gymnasium as well as several other organizations for youth mentoring and community service.

There are many needy children in Fort Pierce facing economic, educational and social disadvantage. There is room and need for all of the various programs. SWORD has partnered with many organizations to reach youth who may be characterized as hard-to-serve due to their disadvantages.

One key factor that distinguishes the Sword Outreach, Mentoring and Resource Center and the SWORD Art program from the others providing valuable program for children and youth is that SWORD is located in the Parkland Court and Bethany Court Apartment complexes. Children and youth from the neighborhood can participate without needing an adult to drive them. Many children can walk to the Center after school and walk home after the program concludes. Transportation is a significant barrier for the children and youth to access activities and programs, as 27% of households do not own a vehicle and many live in single-parent households.

7. Project Name (please keep it short): SWORD Art and Neighborhood Beautification Project

10. Beneficiaries from National Objective Activities (#8 Above)

- A. Who are the intended beneficiaries of this program/project? Describe how the project will ensure that the intended beneficiaries are being served and the target population will be reached, including how beneficiaries are identified, and any outreach performed:

The Sword Outreach, Mentoring and Resource Center is located in Census Tract (CT) 3803 and serves residents primarily, though not exclusively, from CTs 3802 and 3803. The 2017 median household income and other economic indicators of this neighborhood is compared to the City of Fort Pierce and St. Lucie County below. The median household income in CTs 3802 and 3803 is equal to just 26% of the median household income for St. Lucie County and 51% of the median household income for the City of Fort Pierce.

Table: 2017 Economic Data for SWORD's primary service area

Economic Measure	Geography			
	St. Lucie County	City of Fort Pierce	Census Tract 3802	Census Tract 3803
Median Household	\$54,098	\$28,025	\$13,216	\$15,124

Income				
Poverty Rate	16.6%	35.8%	55%	55%
Median Property Value	\$214,200	\$91,400	NA	NA

Note: The Poverty Rates for CTs 3802 and 3803 are estimates for 2010 through 2014 for families. The estimated poverty rate for families with members under 18 years old during that period was 72% and 75% for CT 3802 and CT 3803, respectively. The 2020 federal poverty level income is \$26,200 for a family of four. The official poverty definition uses money income before taxes and does not include capital gains or noncash benefits (such as subsidized housing, Medicaid, or food stamps.)

The location of the proposed Mural and landscaping beautification on the SWORD Center in the Parkland Court neighborhood is one way it is assured that the children and families that participate are low-income. As stated earlier, the majority of the children and families that participate walk to and from the SWORD Center. SWORD will conduct door-to-door outreach to announce the community painting and landscaping days and encourage participation. As a result of operating the after-school program, the summer-camp and occasional outdoor *fun days* at this location for several years consistently, the residents' level of trust in SWORD is growing.

The children and you who will be invited to attend the field trip will be those who reside in the neighborhood and/or participate in other SWORD programs.

11. Describe the existing problems or needs to be addressed by this program/project.

In addition to the prevalence of low incomes and poverty, the Lincoln Park Neighborhood (CT 3802 and 3803) also has lower educational attainment for adults when compared to that of the City of Fort Pierce and the County. Additionally, as receives much media coverage, and as reported in the 2016 Comprehensive Gang Assessment produced by Restoring the Village's Youth Initiative, Fort Pierce has a significant violent crime problem. In 2014, the violent crime rate in Fort Pierce was 1,061 incidents per 100,000 residents compared to 467 per 100,000 population in Florida. The homicide rate in Fort Pierce was 29 per 100,000 compared to 6 per 100,000 in Florida and 4.5 nationwide. A disproportionate amount of the City's violent crime occurs in Lincoln Park, including 57% of murders, 18% of forcible sex offenses, 34% of robberies, and 49% of aggravated assaults (2013).

Restoring the Village's Youth Initiative reports that the good news is that crime in the county and city are declining. For example, the number of aggravated assaults dropped from 917 in 2013 to 609 in 2015. According to the St. Lucie County Public Schools website, high school graduations rates are improving as well. To keep the positive

momentum going and help children and youth escape a debilitating cycle, requires all-hands-on deck.

12. Describe your proposed project's activities and how they will address the problems/needs you listed in #11 above. ^[SEP]

Engaging children and youth in painting a beautiful, inspiring mural and further beautifying the Parkland Court neighborhood by landscaping the SWORD Center, will, in its own small way help residents learn that they can change the environment for the better; that they are not destined to be forever caught in a negative cycle; and that they are capable of making meaningful and lasting contributions to the neighborhood.

Participating in a successful project such as this can contribute to improved self-esteem among the children and youth which can benefit them in many other ways, for example in academics and avoiding the pull of the street.

13. List the physical addresses where your proposed project activities (listed in #12 above) will take place. Use street addresses within the City limits of Fort Pierce.

1211 Avenue Q, Fort Pierce, FL. The SWORD Art Club's field trip will be to the Backus Museum, 500 North Indian River Drive and the Fort Pierce River Walk ^[SEP] Linear Park.

14. List this project's measurable goals and objectives, as well as the date(s) when each will be met. ^[SEP]

The mural painting and Center beautification has been a goal of SWORD for about 18 months. The exact days for the painting days, landscaping days and the field trip will be determined in late spring or early summer. The artist is actively working on the graphic design and subject matter for the mural. The painting of the mural, the landscaping, and the field trip will be accomplished before September 1, 2020.

The SWORD Art Program and Beautification project has 5 measurable goals:

1. complete the design of the mural.
2. complete the painting of the mural and landscaping at the Center.
3. engage no fewer than 75 participants in the mural painting and landscaping of the Center and for those individuals to represent a diversity of ages.
4. complete a field trip to the Backus Museum and River Walk Park including *plein aire* landscape painting and drawing, a picnic, and nature observation.
5. An average of ten children and youth participate in each Thursday Art class

15. How will you track the results of these goals and objectives? (This information will be required with your monthly status reports.)

It is expected that the painting of the mural and the landscaping of the Center will take place over numerous painting and landscaping days. Attendance records will be made and maintained for each of the painting and landscaping events and for the field trip.

16. Briefly describe measurements of outcomes for each of the activities listed in #12. (Examples - number of unduplicated low/moderate income youth served, number of unduplicated senior citizens served, number of unduplicated Veterans served, number of unduplicated adults served, etc.) [L] [SEP]

The total number of person hours devoted to the project and the number of unduplicated individuals who participate will be counted. Attendance is taken for each art class and will be taken for the community painting and landscape days. Attendance will be taken for the field trip.

18. Describe your contingency plan in the event this grant request is not fully funded, or not funded at all by the City of Fort Pierce:

SWORD will engage in other fundraising events and activities to accomplish this event. [L] [SEP] The landscaping may be delayed until a future time or the field trip to the Backus Museum and River Walk Park will not occur.

19. If this is a multi-year project, how will you continue to implement this project if City grant funds are not available in future years? [L] [SEP]

Funding is requested for a distinct one-time project. However, the beautification will remain in place and continue to benefit and inspire the community into the future.

SWORD anticipates that the gardening will continue and expand with a focus on native plants that require less care and that attract butterflies and pollinators, as well as growing food plants that the children can eat, as adult volunteers and other resources are available.

21. Write an explanation below of **how** your project will perform **each** qualifier you selected above:

- Promote cultural diversity - The project will engage the community in creating art that celebrates the rich African American culture
- Promote outdoor activities and a healthy lifestyle – The field trip to the Backus Museum and the River Walk Park will include plenty of time for the children to just be children and run around and play in the beautiful river walk park.
- Spur interest and participation in neighborhood improvement activities – The children and youth in SWORD programs regularly participate in the quarterly

[L] [SEP]

clean-ups at Moore's Creek Linear Park. Painting the mural and landscaping will have a longer lasting beneficial effect on the neighborhood. Those who participate will see the positive results of their efforts for many years.

- Encourage citizen involvement and leverage resources to revitalize low and moderate-income neighborhoods. SWORD will engage in an outreach campaign to generate participation in the project. The project provides a great feel-good opportunity for others outside the immediate neighborhood to support and participate.^{[[SEP]]}
 - Instill and foster community pride – In addition to the immediate and tangible visual enhancement that will result from the mural and the landscaping, the theme—Celebrating African American Culture—with an emphasis on positive accomplishments, interest and talents of African Americans in a neighborhood that is 92% African-American can help, in a small way, overcome the self-doubt and dependency that is fueled by impoverished surroundings.
 - Promote neighborhood beautification and revitalization. Parkland Court and Bethany Court appear to be well-maintained complexes, given the limited resources available, but they have an institutional appearance. The mural and the landscaping will inject color, life and creativity into an otherwise bland visual environment.
 - ^{[[SEP]]} Discourage adverse activity such as crime, drug use, and vandalism – The hope and motivation of the many adults who volunteer many hours to SWORD programs is that it will in some small way help the children and youth avoid the perils of crime, drug use and vandalism. Providing productive, fun, supervised activities for children and youth and providing positive adult role models is one way to help keep kids on the right track. Participation in a fun and creative project such as the mural, landscaping, and the field trip to Backus Museum exposes participants to ways to express their individuality and creativity rather than rebelling against authority. Engaging in this activity as part of a community can also contribute to a feeling of confidence and responsibility.
 - Inspire and support the healthy development of youth.^{[[SEP]]} Children from more financially well-to-do families are provided enrichment activities such as art classes and trips to museums by their families. Exposure to a diversity of activities such as art classes and museum trips helps inspire and support the healthy development of youth.
24. Applicants must demonstrate that the selection of participants is an objective process and the Grant Recipient may not limit participation on the basis of race, gender nationality, ethnicity, religion, creed, or disability.

SWORD programs are open to all interested persons. No limitation on participation is made based on ace, gender nationality, ethnicity, religion, creed, or disability.



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21. Write an explanation below of how your project will perform each qualifier you selected above:

See attached

22. Date project to begin:

June 1, 2020

- Date project to be completed:

September 30, 2020

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None

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25. If this project is sponsored by a church or religious group, participation may not be limited to members of the church. What efforts will you make to ensure that the community at-large is aware of this project and the opportunity for participation?

NA. Sword is not a church or religious organization.

SWORD Art Project and Neighborhood Beautification BUDGET

Question #26
Project Budget

MURAL

ITEM	Brand	unit price	quantity	Total Cost	CITY GRANT	Other committed Funds
Paint	Behr Premium Plus	\$24.98 /gallon	10	\$249.80		
	Behr Ultra	\$8.98 /quart	10	\$89.80		
Sealant	Behr Premium	\$29.98 /gallon	5	\$149.90		
Drop Cloths	cloth, 6 ft. x 9 ft.	\$11.98 per	9	\$107.82		
brushes	Purdy 2 inch angle cut	\$13.49 per	4	\$53.96		
	2-inch flat chip	\$1.28	4	\$5.12		
	4 inch flat chip brush	4.22	4	16.88		
	Linzer 7-brush set, mixed sizes	17.12	2	34.24		
	Wooster, 2.5 inch, PRO, angle	11.97	4	47.88		
MURAL Sub-total				\$755.40	\$755.40	
Landscaping and Beautification						
mulch	shredded cypress mulch	\$2.97 2 cf	16	\$47.52		
top soil	5 cubic yards delivery	\$160		\$160		
		\$99		\$99		
soil amenities	compost, peat moss, organic fertilizer, etc			\$200		
plants	shrubs beauty berry	Callicarpa americana:	2	\$40		
	fire bush	Hamelia patens	2	\$40		
	mysine	Myrsine guianensis	2	\$40		
	annual flowers	milkweed, salvia, etc.	50	\$250		
	flower seeds			\$100		
	lumber garden bed edging	2 x 8 x 16	6	\$99		
				\$16.57		
Landscaping and Beautification Sub-total				\$977	\$977	

FIELD TRIP			
transportation 2, 12-passenger vans			\$218
admission museum admission for chaperones (under	\$5	6	\$30
supplies for air plain painting			\$200
lunch			\$150
FIELD TRIP sub-total			\$598
Thursday Art Club supplies			\$1,000
Paint, paper, pens, colored pencils,			
TOTAL Art and Beautification Project			\$3,329.92
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			\$2,400



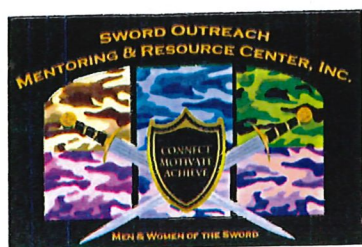
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III. APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Use this checklist to ensure you have included key information with your application. Be sure to enclose this checklist with your application.

- Applicants who have received previous program/project funding must ensure that THIS APPLICATION IS FOR A NEW OR EXPANDED PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECT.
- 2019-2020 Grant Guidelines and Application **HAVE BEEN CAREFULLY AND THOROUGHLY READ.**
- Application is dated.
- Mandatory application format and preparation have been followed.
- Person(s) listed as the "Contact Person" is knowledgeable about the project and application and is aware that they are listed as the contact person.
- Reliable telephone numbers and email addresses are listed.
- Application contains the correct mailing address, which also matches the address listed on the Internal Revenue Service 501(c)(3) documentation.
- Funding request has been rounded to the nearest dollar.
- Program/Project description includes the following information:
 - Person(s) who will implement the program/project?
 - Description of program/project, as well as a description and the number of people it will benefit
 - Project/program start and end dates
 - Location of project/program and location where activities will take place
 - How the program/project will address a community need
- Detailed budget and all required budget information, as listed in application
- Program/project goals and objectives contain dates, time frames and measurable numbers
- Specific locations are listed for program/project activity sites
- All documentation listed on page 18 is provided with the application
- The application is signed by the person authorized to enter into binding contracts on behalf of the organization.
- Application is **Notarized.**
- Submission of application includes **1 Original and 7 additional copies.**
- Application packet **DOES NOT** include ANY staples or binding (paper clips or rubber bands are allowed).
- Application **MUST BE** submitted NO LATER THAN 3:00PM ON – February 7, 2020.

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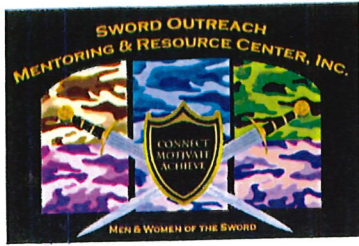
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Sword Outreach Mentoring and Resource Center Organizational Chart

