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Ms. Bernadean Wilson
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Dear Ms. Wilson:

In the interest of obtaining a grant of \$50,000 for the Youth Character Building Program, Atlantis Progressive Youth (APY) is submitting a proposal for your review. We are an organization that operates as a supporter for at-risk youth in Virginia Beach, VA. This organization has faith in our youth and we desire to prepare them for the future.

As indicated in the proposal, APY is the only youth character building organization that serves both at-risk youth and their parents in Virginia Beach, VA. This organization has substantial experience in working with youth and their parents. We are dedicated to changing the lives of at-risk youth while also assisting their parents. During the past three years, this organization has served as supporters for fifty at-risk youth who participated in various character building exercises in Virginia Beach. This program assists in building character, respect, teaching the importance of giving back, and responsibility to at-risk youth who reside in Atlantis Apartments in Virginia Beach.

We are elated to share that this organization has seen marked improvement in the youth being served in Atlantis Apartments; however, we are also seeking to expand throughout Virginia Beach. The youth that participate in the program have improved emotionally, academically, and socially. They have also decrease inappropriate behavior such as fighting and the use of profane language. Therefore, the board is enthusiastic to expand and continue to offer the needed services to our youth and their parents.

Thank you for your consideration and time in reviewing our proposal. Please contact me at (757) 555-1212 if you have any questions. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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Rationale, Philosophy, Goals, & Objectives

In 1984 two friends and I who all reside in subsidized housing called Atlantis Apartments recognized the need to help the at risk youth in our neighborhood. Witnessing some of the youth dropping out of school, using profane language, selling drugs, etc. we decided to start a nonprofit organization. Therefore, we hand delivered 211 Needs Assessment Surveys prior to starting the program, Atlantis Progressive Youth (APY). Gathering diverse questionnaires helped to develop and implement the program. Further research assisted in determining which services would meet the needs of our targeted group. The purpose of this program is to address the needs of youth ages 12-17 and their parents who reside in subsidized or low income neighborhoods. The program will assist the youth with character building and their self-esteem. It will assist their parents with food and advocate for them with the leasing office. The program will provide other needy families within the complex with food during the summer months, Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets every year. It will also permit the youth to take summer trips to amusement parks and historical sites.

The program serves a total of fifty children, consisting of 20 males and 30 females, who reside in Atlantis Apartments in Virginia Beach, VA. The target groups are middle and high school age youth between the ages of 12 to 17 years of age. These children may possess a history of aggressive behavior, poor behavioral control, and the use of profane language. The goal of the program is to provide character building services to low income children who reside in Atlantis Apartments.

As a community-based program, APY will facilitate the services within the apartment complex recreational center free of charge. This is due to the founder and staff being residents of