

1. What services does your organization provide to the residents of Davidson County?

Backfield in Motion's Extended Learning Program (ELP) is the primary service we provide for at-risk, minority males in Davidson County. The program offers tutoring, mentoring, STEAM learning opportunities, and recreational activities beyond regular school hours. The program locations are as follows:

Nashville Classical Academy

Inglewood Elementary School

Amqui Elementary School

John Early Middle School

Joelton Middle School

Isaac Litton Alumni Center: Middle School, High School, Adult Basic Education (HiSET)

2. How many residents are your currently serving and how do they benefits?

Backfield in Motion is currently serving \_198 (?) students. In 2018, BIM served 218 students more than thirty days in our program.

3. How much funding are you requesting from Metro?

\$20,000

4. If funding is awarded, how many additional residents will be served and how will they benefit?

Amqui Elementary School is the largest school site Backfield in Motion serves. The program enrollment grew to sixty students within the first few days, demonstrating a great need for extended learning services in our community for English Language Learners (ELL). Amqui Elementary School has a high concentration of non-native English-speaking students and subsequently have parents with a limited understanding to the English language as well.

If funded, we will further expand our services to include an "Adult and Child Together Family Literacy Program" for twenty (20) or more English language learners. We will provide Adult and Child Together classes designed for parents who need to learn basic English-language skills, so they can support the academic and personal success of their school-aged children. Parents will improve their English skills while learning how to support their child's education.

5. In addition to serving more residents, are there other community benefits Metro funding would help you achieve?

The community will benefit from ELL Adult and Child Together classes by alleviating the cost of support services and special accommodations for students and families with limited English proficiency. Increased opportunities for education, employment and financial stability allow families to function with fewer supports.

ELL adult students benefit by being able to take advantage of educational and training opportunities, which lead to employment, promotions or higher salaries, all of which benefit families and the community by improving their opportunities and access to benefits such as health care.

Non-English speakers benefit by becoming more self-sufficient and reducing the need for translators to assist with daily or personal business. They are able to use public transportation, read street signs and directions, get a driver's license and communicate with the public to make their needs known.

ELL students benefit from being able to read or understand safety instructions, road signs, medication instructions, workplace safety literature, and weather and safety advisories. In addition, English learners are able to speak to law enforcement and emergency medical personnel.

6. How would you use this funding to help create a more equitable Nashville, where all residents have an opportunity to participate in the city's success?

ELL Adult and Child Together classes will benefit the Nashville community by enhancing the participants' civic pride and creating a more equitable Nashville. The ELL students will have greater access to affordable housing, employment opportunities, education/training programs, and increasing their economic mobility.

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