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Youth Violence Prevention Week Proposals Sought

The Minneapolis Health Department is excited to announce its fourth annual **Youth Violence Prevention Week**, scheduled for **March 28th – April 4th**. In past years, we have had a diverse array of youth-oriented activities, including a basketball tournament, art and theater performances, and a conference and symposium on youth empowerment, among many others.

Youth-centered programs (i.e. non-profits, faith-based organizations, schools, clubs, or individuals) are welcome to apply. Attached, is an application to submit your proposal and key details. Please note, this week falls over Minneapolis Public Schools spring break, so you may consider holding an event during regular school hours.

Through purchasing order agreements and contracts, the City will help **cover the cost** of selected events in increments of \$250 (up to \$1,000 total). We will also help to advertise events via social media and with our community partners; however, **it is the responsibility of funded organizations to advertise their event and encourage youth participation.**

This is an exciting opportunity to get creative, partner with other community organizations, reach new audiences, and/or highlight great work already being done. It also gives us a chance to provide young people with over a week of positive activities and conversations around safety, success, and empowerment.

Please submit applications to erin.sikkink@minneapolismn.gov by Friday, February 25th. We will notify organizations that have been selected for funding by Tuesday, March 3rd.

A note on payment: **the City can only reimburse for programming**—all events must be implemented utilizing your own funds up-front. We will work with you directly on our contracting process to ensure timely reimbursement. Please reach out with any questions or concerns.

We encourage the participation of your organization in this important event!

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