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Type of Grant or Subsidy Request:

GRANT REQUEST - OPERATING

GRANT REQUEST - CAPITAL

SUBSIDY REQUEST

"Grant" means an award of state funds by the legislature, by an appropriation to a specified recipient, to support the activities of the recipient and permit the community to benefit from those activities.

"Subsidy" means an award of state funds by the legislature, by an appropriation to a recipient specified in the appropriation, to reduce the costs incurred by the organization or individual in providing a service available to some or all members of the public.

"Recipient" means any organization or person receiving a grant or subsidy.

STATE DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY RELATED TO THIS REQUEST (LEAVE BLANK IF UNKNOWN): DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

STATE PROGRAM I.D. NO. (LEAVE BLANK IF UNKNOWN): _____

1. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

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3. TYPE OF BUSINESS ENTITY:

- NON PROFIT CORPORATION
- FOR PROFIT CORPORATION
- LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
- SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP/INDIVIDUAL

6. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S REQUEST:

RESTORING AND EXPANDING CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION SERVICES

4. FEDERAL TAX ID #: _____

5. STATE TAX ID #: _____

7. AMOUNT OF STATE FUNDS REQUESTED:

FY 2012-2013: \$ 200,000

8. STATUS OF SERVICE DESCRIBED IN THIS REQUEST:

- NEW SERVICE (PRESENTLY DOES NOT EXIST)
- EXISTING SERVICE (PRESENTLY IN OPERATION)

SPECIFY THE AMOUNT BY SOURCES OF FUNDS AVAILABLE AT THE TIME OF THIS REQUEST:

STATE \$ 750,000

FEDERAL \$ _____

COUNTY \$ _____

PRIVATE/OTHER \$ _____

TYPE NAME & TITLE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

STEPHEN MORSE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

NAME & TITLE

1/27/2012

DATE SIGNED

Application for Grants and Subsidies

I. Background and Summary

1. A brief description of the applicant's background;

Blueprint for Change (BFC) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that was founded on the vision that every child in Hawaii will grow up in a loving family, a nurturing home and a safe environment. Since 2000, BFC has worked to achieve this vision by developing and supporting a statewide series of family-centered, community-driven service delivery models known as the Neighborhood Places.

A Neighborhood Place (NP) is a resource hub that provides families who are at-risk of child abuse or neglect with a gamut of services focused on diverting them away from involvement with the state's child welfare system. These services include, but are not limited to, preventative activities, training, family support and strengthening, referral services, and if need be, intervention.

The successful completion of BFC's mission requires a community effort to develop and implement effective, integrated, and collaborative approaches to protecting vulnerable children and families. There are currently five NP programs located throughout the state. Each site was developed with planning help from coalitions of local organizations, and for the most part, they are all staffed by employees who are longtime residents of their respective regions. As such, the NP's have become integral parts of the communities they serve, providing 350 families a year with culturally congruent, child abuse prevention services, and an additional 1000 families with informational resources and referrals. Furthermore, NP's engage community members through outreach, training and workshops, and by participating in community events.

Blueprint for Change has maintained a strong oversight relationship with the NP programs, allowing the organization to solicit continuous feedback on the quality of NP services from families being served and the community at large. The neighborhood collaborations described above have the capability of dramatically changing Hawaii's child welfare system. By establishing the necessary relationships with state contractors for family strengthening services and the Department of Human Services (DHS), BFC has the ability to develop fluid relationships that allow the NPs to identify, address, and remedy stressful family issues promptly, thus preventing a crisis situation.

2. The goals and objectives related to the request;

The first goal of this project is to link together the fragmented array of family strengthening services that are currently available to members of the target population.

The second goal of project is to successfully address the needs of at-risk families by providing them with a safe and non-threatening place to obtain family strengthening resources.

The final goal of this project is to engage communities in order to raise awareness and support for child abuse and neglect issues.

3. State the public purpose and need to be served;

Across the board budget cuts to the health and human services sectors have depleted resources for families who are at-risk for child abuse and/or neglect at a time when they are needed the most. Instances of abuse and neglect have severe short and long term consequences for both the children and families who are directly involved, and for the community at large. These consequences include, but are not limited to, immediate physical harm to the child resulting in broken bones, disability, sensory impairment and death, long term effects of intellectual and social impairment of the child, societal effects of juvenile delinquency and resulting criminal behavior, mental illness and substance abuse, abuse of future generations (the cycle of abuse) and staggering financial costs.

Prior to 2000, Hawaii experienced annual increases in rates of child abuse and neglect which produced an overburdened and unresponsive child welfare system. To address these issues, the State of Hawaii made a series of bold investments in community outreach and prevention programs starting with the expansion of the Neighborhood Place system. Almost immediately, Hawaii experienced an encouraging downward trend in the incidence of child abuse and neglect. Since 2003, reports of child maltreatment declined steadily and dramatically – from 7,835 in 2003 to 4,690 in 2007.

In 2008, the Social Services Division of DHS in Hawai'i acknowledged the contribution of Blueprint for Change and others in its annual report, stating, "The availability of community-based services to help families in crisis remain intact has helped to relieve some of the strain on a once overburdened CWS system, as indicated by the declining number of children in foster care." In the same report, DHS indicated that the public-private partnership was working well.

Strategies to frontload family strengthening and voluntary case management services and to provide families in crisis access to community-based early response alternatives appear to be working in terms of keeping families intact, keeping children safe, and engaging families through less restrictive/intrusive approaches. In April 2007, Department of Human Services (DHS) Director, Lillian Koller, was awarded the 2007 Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF) Commissioner's Award for her exceptional contribution to the prevention and treatment of CAN in Hawai'i. The award recognized DHS for reducing the number of children removed from their homes, increasing access to community based

services for families and improving the skills and qualifications of CWS staff and foster families.

These efforts have had a direct impact on rates of abuse and have helped communities ensure the health, safety and prosperity of current and future generations. **Unfortunately, cuts in public and private funding for health and human services activities, coupled with new restrictions on Federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funds, have resulted in drastic reductions in community-based prevention services at a time when they are needed the most. These cuts have led to Hawaii experiencing its single largest increase of reported child abuse and neglect cases in the state's history, jumping from 4,628 cases in 2008 to 5,939 in 2009.**

Based on feedback from the Neighborhood Place Program Directors at partner meetings and data collected from quarterly program reports, the need for child abuse prevention and family strengthening services is growing. High unemployment and underemployment, homelessness and overcrowded households, high rates of substance abuse, and increases in crime are all major risk factors for child abuse and neglect in each of the communities targeted by this project and the state at large. If resources for at-risk families are not restored and expanded, BFC fears that rates of child abuse and neglect in the target communities will return to unacceptable levels, increasing the number of families that will be broken up by the Child Welfare System and affecting many more children who will suffer emotional scars that can negatively impact their future family, social, economic, and spiritual lives.

4. Describe the target population to be served; and

The target group for this project is families who are at-risk for child abuse and neglect in the communities of: Wai`anae and Kalihi, on the island of O`ahu; Puna and Kona, on the island of Hawai`i; and Wailuku, on Maui. These areas were identified by the state's Department of Human Services as being high-risk for child abuse and neglect due to the average family income level of each location, as well as the volume of calls received by Child Protective Services (CPS) intake offices located in each of the respective regions.

5. Describe the geographic coverage.

The services provided by the Blueprint for Change/Neighborhood Place partnership are provided on the islands of Oahu, Maui, and Hawaii. There are two locations on Oahu, Kalihi and Wai`anae, one on Maui in Wailuku, and two on Hawaii Island in Puna and Kona.

The Neighborhood Place of Kalihi is located in the Family Resource Center at Kuhio Park Terrace. Kalihi is a densely populated area in the urban core of Honolulu. It is the location of several public housing projects and dense residential areas that surround the commercial center along North King Street. Although NP Kalihi's services have been primarily provided to children and families, and specifically to families residing in Kuhio

Park Terrace and the neighboring public housing projects, its geographic coverage extends to the downtown Honolulu area to the east and Aiea/Halawa to the west.

The Wai`anae Neighborhood Place is located on Mill Street in the heart of a densely populated section of Wai`anae town. Located nearby are a large public housing project, old residential subdivisions, and a Hawaiian Homelands subdivision in Lualualei. Besides Wai`anae proper, Wai`anae NP's geographic coverage extends to Nanakuli and Kapolei to the east and Makaha and Makua to the west. Homelessness is a major problem on the Leeward Coast, and Wai`anae NP provides support services to many homeless families who are living in beach parks and coastal areas along Farrington Highway.

The Neighborhood Place of Wailuku is located in the center of Happy Valley, a community situated in the south central section of Wailuku. Happy Valley is a community that includes small to medium sized public housing projects, old apartment rentals, and residential areas. Nearby are also the Hawaiian Homeland subdivisions of Waiehu and Paukukalo. Besides Wailuku proper, NP Wailuku's geographic coverage includes the entire island of Maui.

The Neighborhood Place of Kona is located in the center of Kailua-Kona town on the west side of Hawai'i Island. The geographic area it covers includes the Council districts of South Kona, North Kona, South Kohala, North Kohala, and a portion of Ka'u and Hamakua ~ almost 1,000 sq.mi. Staff regularly travels far south to Ocean View and Naalehu (a 1-1/2 hour drive one way) and far north to Hawi (a 1-1/2 hour drive one way). Many families in the outlying areas live in unimproved subdivisions, off the grid, without telephones and do not have personal transportation. The Island's County-operated Hele On Bus offers a limited schedule, which can take more than 2-1/2 hours to ride to Kona. NPK staff spends a significant portion of a work day traveling to and from an outlying community to make contact and provide outreach services to families.

The Neighborhood Place of Puna is located in the small, rural town of Pahoa, in the lower Puna District. This office covers the geographic area from Keaau/Olaa to the west and Kalapana to the east. Because of the huge size of the district, NP Puna also opened a satellite office in the town of Mountain View last year in order to extend coverage to families living in the upper section of Puna that stretches from Mountain View to Volcano. Like in some areas of Kona, the remoteness of the Puna District poses significant challenges to families in accessing services provided by NP Puna. As such, and like NP Kona, outreach services are a major part of the NP Puna staff's workload.

In addition to the services provided by NP's in Kalihi and Wai`anae on Oahu, Blueprint for Change, the master contractor for the Neighborhood Place programs, also provides several value added services that are aimed at extending coverage and improving the State's Child Welfare System as a whole. A year ago, BFC, using funds from the Harold Castle Foundation, opened a small, satellite office in the Waimanalo Youth & Family Resource Center. BFC's Executive Director, Stephen Morse, who has a Masters degree in Social Work, provides support, referral, and linkage services to at risk families in

Waimanalo on a part-time basis. He also attends and participates in community meetings and events to promote and educate the community about CAN prevention and strategies.

BFC also collaborates with other child and family service providers to advocate for legislative policy changes and funding for child abuse and neglect (CAN) prevention programs as a member of the Legislative Keiki Caucus; and it promotes and educates the community about CAN and prevention strategies as a participating member of the Hawaii Children's Trust Fund-supported Child Abuse Planning Prevention Council and the Department of Health's Child Safety Collaborative. In addition, both staff members of BFC serve as independent reviewers for the Department of Human Services Continuous Quality Improvement case reviews, and Mr. Morse currently serves as an appointed member of the Statewide Citizens Review Panel for DHS.

II. Service Summary and Outcomes

1. Describe the scope of work, tasks and responsibilities;

The current Neighborhood Place (NP) system is comprised of five (5) community-based, family centers that are open to the general public. These are drop-in centers where families can come voluntarily to seek help. This makes the Neighborhood Place centers unique among the prevention programs supported by the State, because they are the only places at risk children and families can access services without a referral and appointment and by simply knocking on the door. Services are provided to help resolve problems that could eventually place their children at risk for child maltreatment. The goal of the Neighborhood Place system is to prevent the need for intervention from Child Welfare Services and keep them disengaged from the Child Welfare System. These services help reduce the social and economic costs for both the families and State.

Each Neighborhood Place is designed to be community and consumer driven. The hours of operation are guided by individual needs. These hours include evening and weekends as dictated by the demands of the respective NP communities.

The programs are accessible to individuals with disabilities and to those for whom English is not a first language. NP staff is responsible for making accommodations for these individuals and for families who have special needs.

The program is designed to provide assistance to needy families so that children may be cared for in their own homes or in the homes of relatives. Furthermore, each NP is committed to promoting the establishment and maintenance of two-parent families. The methodology for conducting NP services is as follows:

A. Referral and Intake

A major component of the continued success of the Neighborhood Place model is the fact that any family, regardless of circumstances or referrals, can obtain services. All NPs have an open door policy with regards to self-referred, walk-in clients.

When families are referred to the NP's, referrals may be made by phone, fax, mail or email. Only authorized staff will have access to the fax machine utilized by the NP to ensure consumer rights are protected under the HIPPA privacy guidelines and BFC confidentiality HIPPA policy.

Each Neighborhood Place Director is responsible for processing referrals using forms that are based on the standard referral form used by the Department of Human Services. If the Director is unable to conduct this task, the NP Outreach Worker will take on the responsibility as needed.

Upon receiving a referral, NP staff will log the referral into the respective NP intake form within one (1) working day. Depending on the nature of the referral, clients will be assigned to either the NP Outreach Worker or the NP Family Success Coach. NP staff will notify clients about referral response by phone within three (3) working days of receipt. Assigned NP staff will then conduct the following procedures:

1. The NP staff will complete intake information and make an initial assessment of the needs of the referred family within seven (7) working days of the initial contact;
2. Families will be assessed for TANF services;
3. For non-CWS referrals, the NP staff will ask during intake if the family has an open CWS case. If yes, then the family will be informed they are eligible to receive NP transition and support services upon successful closing of their current CWS case;
4. For crisis situations, services will begin immediately, and assessments will be conducted within three (3) working days as needed.

B. Assessment and Services Planning with Family

Intake and assessment can take place simultaneously or at two consecutive meetings depending on the judgment of the NP staff member (except in crisis situations). At minimum, the following information is covered by the initial intake:

- Determination of whether the family has an open Child Welfare Services Case;
- Signing of the NP Intake Consent Form;
- Signing of all appropriate Authorizations to Release information; and
- Reviewing of the NP Consumer Rights and Responsibilities/Consumer Complaint Procedure.

Initial Assessment Procedures:

1. A comprehensive assessment takes place within one week of referral using the NP Family Assessment Tool (FAT). The staff member may assess directly from the FAT or utilize a "talk story" methodology and fill the form out after the face to face meeting with the family;
2. If it is determined that the children are at risk or the parents are in any way incapable of keeping them safe, CWS will be notified immediately following the Reporting Suspected CAN policy;

3. Assessment is an ongoing process and the Family Assessment Tool is an always changing document. Additional assessments are conducted as clinically indicated.

Neighborhood Place services are designed to meet the individual needs of families based on an accurate and comprehensive assessment. Service activities are based on the principles of family-centered, strength-based practices. Consumers are involved in the development of their Individual Program Plan. Services are measurable, goal oriented, build on protective factors, and mitigate risk factors for child abuse and neglect.

C. Direct Service Provision:

The Neighborhood Place approach to providing services is based on the following:

1. Best Practices in Home Visitation

Research suggests that home visits can be effective in reducing child maltreatment. Despite some positive findings, however, there are numerous challenges and unresolved questions, primarily regarding:

- Engagement and retention rates;
- Home visits by paraprofessionals versus professionals;
- Staff retention; and
- Staff training.

Effective Strategies: In a review of effective home visitation programs (Leventhal 1997), the following factors were identified as necessary for successful home visits:

- Early intervention;
- Intensive services over a sustained period;
- Development of a therapeutic relationship between the home visitor and family members;
- Careful observation of the home situation, focusing on parenting skills;
- Services focusing on the needs of the child;
- Provision of concrete services;
- Inclusion of fathers; and
- Ongoing review of family needs.

2. Best Practices in Parent Education

Research suggests that programs providing education for parents can reduce risks to children. Although more research is needed, some studies have demonstrated positive findings.

Effective Strategies: The Center for the Study of Social Policy, in its 2004 study (“Protecting Children by Strengthening Families”), finds that effective parent education programs have the following characteristics:

- A program structure that offers long-term relationships between parents and program staff (two years or more);
- Support services and support groups of parents with similar experiences and whose children are close to the same age;
- Staffing patterns that feature dynamic leadership, peer facilitators (parents who have experienced similar life experiences), and ongoing staff training and supervision;
- Interpersonal values that recognize the importance of developing trust between and among parents and staff, and respecting individual and cultural differences; and
- An educational approach that focuses on parents' strengths, emphasizes consistent decision making over time rather than quick fixes, and recognizes that the quality of interpersonal relationships is critical to any learning that may take place.

3. Public Awareness Campaigns

Public education campaigns geared to deliver consistent messages about an individual's ability to alter harmful behaviors have proved to be effective in increasing community awareness.

Effective Strategies: Successful strategies include: combining public awareness campaigns with the personal face of a community-based organization; and advocacy efforts focusing on policy change, including lobbying for lower legal blood alcohol limits, higher taxes on alcohol and stricter penalties for offenders.

Service Planning Procedures:

1. In partnership with the family, NP staff initiates and develops the Individualized Program Plan (IPP) within seven (7) working days of assessment. If possible, NP staff will develop the IPP during the intake/assessment meeting;
2. Services are designed based on the family's needs. The IPP identifies goals for child safety, measurable objectives for the individual family members to reach along with established milestones to cover the period during which services are provided. Attention is given to promote and maintain two-parent families when appropriate and offer family strengthening activities;
 - An NP staff member listens to the consumers' assessment of their own needs, collaborates with resources, and identifies services that are of interest to the family;
 - The IPPs address both short-term and long-term goals. Short-term goals are defined as those that can be attained during the IPP timeline of anywhere from six weeks to six months. Long-term goals are those that the family intends to work on beyond the six-month time frame;
 - Resources and community referrals are provided to the family to enhance their ability to complete their IPP.
3. All IPPs are reviewed and signed by the Neighborhood Place Director; Subsequently, the IPP is reviewed by the Neighborhood Place Director and assigned outreach worker at regularly scheduled case review meetings;
4. At the time of service planning, all services are reviewed with the family along with the intent and purpose of services and how they relate to the risk and protective

factors identified on the Family Assessment Tool. Families sign and are given a copy of their IPP. Supervisors will sign off on all IPPs before they are considered complete;

5. IPPs are revised as additional assessment information becomes known to NP staff;
6. The IPP is reviewed with the consumer at three months and during the discharge planning phase to identify whether the steps have been completed and to collaborate with the consumer to identify any additional resources that will be helpful to the family.

For all services, Cultural Sensitivity is imperative and enforced through the initial interview process, staff training, and ongoing internal feedback.

D. Discharge

Neighborhood Places ensure that, whenever possible, families leaving the NP program receive a thoughtful, planned and timely discharge, including linkage with necessary services and implementation of appropriate follow up producers.

Reasons for Early Discharge:

1. Families that are referred to the Neighborhood Places but who refuse services are discharged upon verbal refusal. The referring agency is notified within one working day. If safety concerns exist, Child Welfare Services are notified immediately. If a family requests to terminate services or becomes uncooperative, the following steps are attempted:
 - Determine the family's reason's for reluctance to participate; and
 - Arrange a meeting with the family to obtain their input on how to adjust or improve service approach;
2. Families that are referred but are not able to be contacted and/or located by the NP staff after three attempts are discharged as a result of not being interested in services at the time. The referring agency is notified within one (1) day of decision to close the case;
3. The family and/or child(ren) relocates to another geographic area or island or the family's whereabouts become unknown and remain unknown for at least one (1) month during the period of service;
4. Families who required a CWS investigation due to escalating risks during the service period are discharged upon confirmation of report of child abuse or neglect by CWS. NP may reopen case after post CWS support.

Planned Discharge Procedures:

1. Planned termination is begun well in advance of the anticipated termination date. This allows for sufficient assessment, planning and implementation of follow-up services, as well as allowing families to make the necessary emotional transition;
2. The NP Director reviews all cases prior to termination and is responsible for;
 - Doing regular case reviews;
 - Conducting regular supervision by standing appointment;
 - Reviewing and signing off on all documentation prior to filing; and

- Conducting staff meetings every two weeks to review cases and pending discharges;
- 3. The family is involved in the process of identification of follow up needs and the most appropriate source of support, assistance, and or services to meet these needs;
- 4. As necessary, NP staff assists in this transition by contacting follow up referral resources. Assistance in the provision of written referrals and application for services is provided;
- 5. In situations where a NP has been working with other services providers, a NP staff member notifies the provider and engages them in termination planning;
- 6. In cases where there has been a referring agent, that agent is notified of termination.
- 7. NP staff member completes and files the consumer record and the Case Closure Summary form. Families sign and are given copies of this form.

E. Follow Up:

The Neighborhood Place tracks all families who have received family strengthening services to ensure the families have maintained the necessary protective factors to keep their child(ren) safe and healthy.

Procedure:

1. The Neighborhood Place Director ensures that staff members complete a three (3) and six (6) month follow-up after the date of case closure to determine whether families have remained safe and healthy and whether they are in need of additional NP services or more formal Child Welfare Services;
2. The NP staff member personally attempts to contact all discharged families by phone and/or in person three months after case closer and again at six months. If unable to locate the family after three efforts it is noted in the family case record. Documentation of this follow up is kept on the Follow Up Report Form;
3. If needed, cases are re-opened, a new assessment performed, and services provided.
4. If there are concerns sufficient to question the safety of the child, CWS is informed immediately.

Reporting of Suspected Child Abuse or Neglect:

It is the policy of Blueprint for Change and the Neighborhood Place Partnership to follow the mandated reporting laws for Child Abuse and Neglect of the State of Hawaii. The guidelines for determining if the CAN criteria have been met are delineated in Chapter 350, Hawaii Revised Statutes. In addition, the Neighborhood Places will refer to Child Welfare Services (CWS) any family that:

- a. Is determined too high risk for abuse or neglect to receive Neighborhood Place services;

- b. Has an incident of abuse or neglect during program involvements; or
- c. Has, after referral to the program, declined to participate or discontinues services and there continue to be safety concerns.

If it is determined during the initial intake and assessment process that a child(ren) in the referred family is at high risk or the parents are in any way incapable of keeping him/her safe, CWS will be notified within 24 hours.

If applicable, the referral source will be notified of the subsequent referral to CWS within one (1) working day.

Any NP staff member who throughout the course of his/her job duties suspects that CAN has occurred or may occur in the reasonably foreseeable future shall immediately report the incident to the NP Program Director. If the NP Director is not available and immediate police or medical attention is determined to be necessary, the staff member shall initiate such intervention followed by a verbal report to CWS followed by a written report within 24 hours.

- 2. The applicant shall provide a projected annual timeline for accomplishing the results or outcomes of the service;**

July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013

Task	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June
Provide 1000 families with information and referrals for family strengthening resources.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Recruit and assess 375 new families for NP services.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Develop Individual Program Plans (IPPs) for 90% of families assessed.		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Conduct follow-up and assessments for families who complete IPP						X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Host or participate in 30 Community Activities in which the Neighborhood Place Participates to Coordinate Effective Community Resources to Families at Risk of Child Abuse and Neglect		X		X		X		X		X		X
Host or participate in 30 Community Activities for Families to Increase Their Engagement in Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention:			X		X		X		X		X	

3. The applicant shall describe its quality assurance and evaluation plans for the request. Specify how the applicant plans to monitor, evaluate, and improve their results; and

It is the intent of the Neighborhood Places that staff receives superior support and guidance in their work with families. The Neighborhood Place Directors shall ensure that there is an atmosphere of support and inquiry for their staff. Staff will be made to feel welcome and supported in asking for assistance and guidance. All supervisors will establish a method for staff to contact them in case of emergency.

At minimum, staff meetings will be held by the Neighborhood Place Director every two (2) weeks to review:

1. Active cases as prioritized by worker and supervisor;
2. New Individualized Program Plans (or Family Success Plans);
3. Pending discharges, and
4. Possible changes in family risk factors.

Supervision includes a review of progress being made toward the identified goals on the IPP. All supervision sessions will be documented and signed in the case file "Progress Notes." These notes will be made available to BFC staff upon request. If persistent problems arise, BFC staff will work with the Department of Human Services to coordinate a Corrective Action Plan.

On a quarterly basis, Blueprint for Change will collect program information from each of the Neighborhood Place programs. These reports will be compiled and submitted to the Department of Human Services a Quarterly Activity Report that outlines the agreed to services requirements listed. BFC will also host regular NP partner meetings and conduct annual site monitoring visits to address any potential obstacles throughout they may arise throughout the duration of the project.

Grievance and Dispute Resolution:

Blueprint for Change has a formal grievance procedure for consumers that use the services of the Neighborhood Places. The grievance procedures may vary slightly from Neighborhood Place to Neighborhood Place but each has elements that are outlined below in Item 1. a. through e. During the intake process consumers are informed of their rights and provided with a written grievance procedure which is reviewed with them.

Grievance procedures for the consumers include the following:

1. If a complaint arises in a Neighborhood Place in which the Blueprint for Change is the fiscal agent, then;

- a. Consumers are encouraged to resolve any concerns directly with the worker involved. If the consumer is not comfortable approaching the worker, the consumer can speak to the worker's immediate supervisor;
 - b. The Program Director will make every attempt to resolve the situation and will complete a NP specific Consumer Complaint/Concern Form to track the issue and provide documentation of action of the action for the Blueprint for Change;
 - c. If the situation is not resolved, the concern is to be put into writing and submitted to the Program Director who sets up an appointment with the consumer and other involved staff as appropriate. If the consumer needs help in putting the concern into writing, the BFC will provide non-NP staff to assist the consumer;
 - d. If resolution is not attained, the BFC will facilitate a meeting with the consumer and other appropriate persons. The decision at this level is the final decision;
 - e. The NPs will inform the BFC Executive Director of all complaints received. The Board of Directors Program Committee will review resolutions of consumer complaints on a quarterly basis;
2. Each Neighborhood Place has an established formal grievance procedure as required by the BFC subcontract.

NPs are required to inform the BFC Executive Director of all complaints received and resolutions reached as part of Quarterly Activity Report and as part of the BFC Quality Assurance and Monitoring. The Board of Directors Program Committee will review resolutions of consumer complaints on a quarterly basis.

If there is disagreement between the BFC and DHS or one of the NPs and DHS, the following procedure will apply:

1. If the disagreement originates in an NP, the NP Program Director will inform the BFC Executive Director.
2. The BFC Executive Director will inform the BFC Board of Directors of any disagreements and will contact the appropriate DHS personnel to investigate the conflict.
3. Once the pertinent information has been obtained, the BFC Executive Director will convene a meeting with all parties involved to resolve the conflict.

Final decision for any conflict rests ultimately with DHS.

4. **The applicant shall list the measure(s) of effectiveness that will be reported to the State agency through which grant funds are appropriated (the expending agency). The measure(s) will provide a standard and objective way for the**

State to assess the program's achievement or accomplishment. Please note that if the level of appropriation differs from the amount included in this application that the measure(s) of effectiveness will need to be updated and transmitted to the expending agency.

Funding received for the project will be used to restore services levels to what they were prior to the 2008 budget cuts. This will allow each NP to serve a minimum of 75 families per year with case management services, and provided informational resources and referral services to an additional 150 individuals in their respective communities. Data regarding measurable outcomes will be compiled and submitted on a quarterly basis to the Department of Human Services as follows:

Percentage of Families Who Complete IPP:

A case is considered closed when,

A) a family completes all goals outlined in their IPP's, or when,

B) a family is delinquent from the program for longer than six months.

The percentage of families who complete IPP's in a given quarter is determined by multiplying the following equation by 100:

$$\frac{A}{(A + B)}$$

Percentage of Active Families Not Confirmed for Child Abuse or Neglect:

An active family is defined as the total number of new families plus the total number of carry over cases (not to exceed 25) from the previous quarter. The percentage of active families not confirmed for child abuse or neglect is obtained by dividing the total number of families with no involvement with CPS while in the program, and dividing it by the total number of families in the program, then multiplying the product by 100.

Percent of Families with No Reports of Child Abuse or Neglect at 6 Month Follow Up:

Once a case is closed for six months, NP staff will follow up with CPS to determine if any families who received NP services have an open case with CPS since closing their case. If, for example, at the time of the quarterly review a NP has six families who have had a case closed for six months, and one of them has an open case with CPS, the NP worker will divide the total number of families who remained abuse and neglect free at the six-month follow up (5), by the total number of families who had a closed cases for six-months (6), and multiply the product by 100 to get the total percent of families with no reports of child abuse or neglect at the six month follow up (83% in this particular example).

Number of Community Activities for Families to Increase Their Engagement in Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention: Throughout the year, NP's will host or

participate in trainings, workshops, or other related activities that are designed to bring families together. Information, including the event date, topics that were discussed, the number of attendees and participant feedback will be compiled quarterly.

Number of Community Activities in which the Neighborhood Place Participates to Coordinate Effective Community Resources to Families at Risk of Child Abuse and Neglect: To encourage collaboration between community organizations, NP's will host or participate in events that are designed to foster networking and open dialogue between a variety of clients and stakeholders.

For the purpose of quality assurance, QARs also require the NPs to provide information regarding:

- Major accomplishments during the quarter, including success stories;
- Problems encountered during the quarter and corrective action taken;
- Identified policy issues impacting the community;
- Staff changes; and
- Plans for next quarter.

BFC keeps records of all QARs in designated contract folders for each respective Neighborhood Place. Information from all five (5) QARs is compiled into one master form by BFC staff. This form is sent to the Department of Human Services for review no later than thirty (30) days from the end of each fiscal quarter. Copies of these forms are also kept on file at the BFC office.

III. Financial

Budget

1. The applicant shall submit a budget utilizing the enclosed budget forms as applicable, to detail the cost of the request.
2. The applicant shall provide its anticipated quarterly funding requests for the fiscal year 2012-2013.

Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total Grant
\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$200,000

1. The applicant shall provide a listing of all other sources of funding that they are trying to obtain for fiscal year 2012-2013.

Blueprint for Change is currently in the second year of a multi-year (3 years) contract with the Department of Human Services. It hopes to receive a contract extension in FY 2013 that includes funding at or above

current year funding, which is \$750,000. It is also applying for \$7,500 in funding from the Friends of Hawaii Charities to supplement services.

2. The applicant shall provide a listing of all state and federal tax credits that have been granted within the prior three years. Additionally, the applicant shall provide a listing of all state and federal tax credits they have applied for or anticipate applying for pertaining to any capital project, if applicable.

N/A

IV. Experience and Capability

A. Necessary Skills and Experience

Blueprint for Change (BFC) has nearly two decades of experience in working with communities throughout Hawaii to reduce instances of child abuse and/or neglect. BFC was established in response to growing concerns about the child welfare system. In 1994, Hawai'i State Senate Concurrent Resolution 89 created the "Blueprint for child welfare reform task force." Over the course of 18 months, nearly 500 people were involved with the project; 16 focus groups were held statewide with groups ranging from current and former Child Protective Services (CPS) workers, foster parents, Family Court judges, physicians, present and former clients, and community activists.

The deliberation and investigations of the Blueprint for Change Task Force yielded four key findings:

1. The system was fragmented and compartmentalized;
2. The system was unable to adequately respond to the number of children that are at risk for abuse and/or neglect;
3. The system narrowly focused on intervention rather than prevention; and
4. Families and communities- two critical elements in the delivery of most effective social service systems-were conspicuously missing elements in the Hawaii child protection systems network.

In 1996, Act 302 created the "Blueprint Pilot Project Coordinating Committee" which was to implement pilot projects over a three-year period in order to test the task force's recommendations. Two Neighborhood Place pilot project sites – one in Waipahu on O'ahu and the other in Kona on Hawai'i island-- were selected in April 1998. (The Waipahu pilot project discontinued its partnership with Blueprint for Change by mutual agreement in 2000 and was replaced by a pilot project in Wai'anae.)

Blueprint for Change was incorporated as a 501 (c)(3), non-profit organization in 2000. Since that time, BFC has been contracted by the Hawai'i State Department of Human Services (DHS) to develop, support and monitor a series of separately incorporated Neighborhood Place programs located in Kalihi and Wai'anae on O'ahu, in Wailuku on Maui, and in Kona and Puna on Hawai'i .

The Blueprint for Change staff and Board of Directors are comprised of individuals who have unparalleled knowledge of child abuse and neglect, specifically with regards to the unique challenges that exist here in Hawaii. At the forefront is Executive Director, Stephen Morse, who has a Masters Degree in Social Work from the University of Hawai'i at Manoa and over forty (40) years of experience in working with families in Hawai'i.

Mr. Morse has seven (7) years of direct experience with the Neighborhood Place system. In 2005, as a grant monitor for the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Mr. Morse was responsible for monitoring OHA grants to the Neighborhood Places of Wailuku and Puna. Three years later, he was asked to join the BFC Board of Directors. His understanding of the inherent value of preventative services in the field of child abuse and neglect and his respect for the passion exuded by each Neighborhood Place Director, eventually lead Mr. Morse to apply for the Executive Director's position in September of 2008. Since obtaining the position in November of 2008, he has been responsible for overseeing the following contract:

- Contract: DHS-05-POS-2186
- Contacting Agency: Department of Human Services
- Contact: Clayton Higa
Program Specialist
Department of Human Services
Social Services Division/Support Services Office
Federal Revenue & Program Support
Purchase of Services & Grant Management
810 Richards Street Suite 501
Honolulu, HI 96813
Telephone : (808)-586-5672
Facsimile : (808)-586-5606
- Title/Description: Neighborhood Place Services. Blueprint for Change provides Neighborhood Place services for the State of Hawaii in the geographic locations of East and West Hawaii, Maui, Waianae and Kalihi.

B. Facilities

The facilities for Blueprint for Change and each of the five current Neighborhood Places are in compliance with ADA standards and regulations.

Blueprint for Change

Address: 550 Halekauwila Street, Suite 207 Honolulu, HI 96813

The Blueprint for Change office is centrally located in Downtown Honolulu allowing staff easy access to the Department of Human Services' offices, the State Department of Taxation, Internal Revenue Service, and State Legislature, among others.

Wai`anae Neighborhood Place

Address: 85-979 Mill St. Waianae, HI 96792.

WNP is situated just north of Farrington Highway in Waianae. Its proximity to the low-income housing units and the Waianae public schools makes it an ideal location for providing Neighborhood Place services to Waianae's most needy citizens.

WNP facilities are sufficient for providing the administrative and program related needs for Neighborhood Place services and are large enough to allow for community collaboration meetings.

Neighborhood Place of Kalihi

Address: 1485 Linapuni St. Suite 103 Honolulu, HI 96819.

NP Kalihi is housed in the Family Resource Center at Kuhio Park Terrace which makes it easily accessible for families living in Kuhio Park Terrace and several other State Public Housing Projects that surround it. Statistically, these families are the Kalihi District's most at-risk families.

The facilities are more than adequate for providing Neighborhood Place services, and their proximity to the main offices and resource center of Parents And Children Together (PACT) allows for easy collaboration and sharing of resources with other social services providers.

Neighborhood Place of Wailuku

Address: 399 North Market Street Wailuku, HI 96793-1154

The Neighborhood Place of Wailuku purchased, renovated, and operates its program out of buildings formerly occupied by a hardware store in Happy Valley, Maui. NP Wailuku received grant funding from the County of Maui's Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), the United States

Department of Agriculture Rural Development office, coupled with a purchase money mortgage from the building's previous owner to purchase the property. Its location in the heart of Happy Valley makes it easily accessible for some of Maui's most needy and at-risk families.

The buildings on the property combined have almost 14,000 square feet of space, enough for NP administrative and program staff, a large, welcoming intake center, a child-care program, game room, and fitness center.

NPW also has a lease at Kahua, beach front property just makai of the Hawaiian Home Lands subdivision of Paukukalo. This property, now owned by the County of Maui, is used for its land/ocean based project that provides family bonding and strengthening services through recreational and cultural activities. This site is also home to NPW's ropes course which is used for team and trust building exercises for families and other community organizations.

Neighborhood Place of Puna:

Address: 15-3039 Pahoia Village Rd Pahoia, HI 96778

The Neighborhood Place of Puna has a facility located in Pahoia, directly across the street from Pahoia High School. NP Puna converted this former residential home into a comfortable office, family meeting place, and hub for community collaboration. It is equipped with a family-friendly intake center, a full kitchen, and spacious lawn. NP Puna offers an extremely non-threatening environment for conducting NP Services and encouraging community collaborations.

Last year, NP Puna opened a satellite office in the old Mountain View gym to serve the growing demand for services from families living in the upper Puna District.

Neighborhood Place of Kona

Address: 75-166 Kalani Street, #104, Kailua-Kona, HI 96740

The Neighborhood Place of Kona is centrally located, one block from Kuakini Highway, a main roadway, and within walking distance of several apartments/duplexes and homes for low income families. Its location gives families easy access to services and is near the available Hele On Bus. It is also a good hub from which NP Kona staff provide outreach and home visitations as far north as Hawi, east through Waimea, and as far south as Ocean View/Naalehu. The facility includes a reception area, offices for each staff member, an interior bathroom, small kitchenette area, copy/supply room, and meeting room.

V. Personnel: Project Organization and Staffing

A. Proposed Staffing, Staff Qualifications, Supervision and Training

Blueprint for Change Staffing:

BFC will be staffed with a full-time Executive Director and one, full-time Program Director. The two will share administrative and program support tasks, including but not limited to, extrapolation of data for quarterly activity and expenditure reports, preparing meeting minutes, scheduling flight arrangements and conducting general bookkeeping duties. BFC will also contract with a CPA to ensure that the organization operates under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and is in line with criteria outlined in the OMB A-133 Circular.

Neighborhood Place Staffing:

It is the intent of Blueprint for Change to ensure that families involved in the Neighborhood Place system receive continuity in their care. This is done by making certain that workers who are assigned to a client will work with them from intake to discharge whenever possible.

Each Neighborhood Place will have a full-time Program Director responsible for assigning all cases at the time of intake. Cases are generally limited to no more than twenty (20) families at any given time per worker, exclusive of Information and Referral cases.

Every effort is made to hire personnel residing in the geographic location covered by the specific Neighborhood Place, so that staff understands and can relate to cultural differences in the community and the unique needs of the people they serve. In general, NP staff will be comprised of an Outreach Worker and Family Success Coach. Depending on the specific need of a given Neighborhood Place, these positions will either be full or part time.

In addition, stand alone NP's, such as Wailuku, Puna, and Kona, who require administrative support, may contract an Administrative Assistant or an independent Human Resources provider.

All staff will be required to meet the qualifications set by the Department of Human Services (DHS) and assume responsibilities assigned in accordance with the following guidelines.

Blueprint for Change Staff Qualifications:

Executive Director:

The Executive Director shall have, at minimum, a Bachelors Degree and five (5) year experience in child abuse and neglect. They will be in charge of the day-to-day activities that are needed to successfully administer the contract, including:

- Facilitating communications between Department of Human Services and the Neighborhood Place,
- Reviewing Quarterly Activity and Expenditure Reports before they are submitted to DHS,
- Maintaining financial and program records,
- Scheduling and facilitating BFC Board of Directors and Neighborhood Place Partners meetings,
- Providing technical assistance and training for Neighborhood Place Directors,
- Conducting annual site visits to ensure that the respective Neighborhood Place programs adhere to the requirements outline in the contract,
- Maintain strong community relationships and coordinate collaborative efforts between Neighborhood Places and other Social Service agencies,
- Conduct legislative research and provide testimony for legislation that supports a more responsive child welfare system, and
- Conduct fund-development activities to help supplement the expansion of the Neighborhood Place system and enhance the operations of current Neighborhood Place programs.

Program Director:

The Program Director shall have, at minimum, a Bachelors Degree and two (2) years' experience in administrative support as well as general knowledge of best-practices in child abuse and neglect. They will be contracted to provide program support and technical assistance for Blueprint for Change and the Neighborhood Place Partners by conducting the following duties:

- Preparing and submitting invoices and Quarterly Activity and Quarterly Expenditure Reports to the Department of Human Services,
- Conducting bookkeeping duties, including processing payroll, keeping the organization up-to-date on state and federal taxes, processing and paying bills, entering data into accounting software, and preparing financial statements for the Board of Directors,
- Recording and preparing Board of Director and Neighborhood Place meeting minutes, and maintaining minute records.

Neighborhood Place Staff Qualifications:

A Bachelor's Degree is required for the position of Program/Executive Director and all staff responsible for providing services related to counseling, planning oversight, and supervision.

Furthermore, the roles of the Outreach Worker and Family Success Coach may vary at each individual Neighborhood Place depending on the given need of that NP. For example, NP Puna is located in a large and remote district with minimal amounts of public transportation. As a result, the NP Puna Outreach Worker has a much more demanding role than the Family Success Coach. Conversely, a NP

located in a more urban setting (NP Kalihi or Waianae NP) experiences more on walk-ins, and as a result, conducts a majority of their work within the confines of the NP office, making the role of Family Success Coach a more demanding position.

Executive/Program Director:

The Neighborhood Place Director shall have, at minimum, a Bachelors Degree and five (5) years experience with:

- Child abuse and neglect issues,
- Families who have harmed or threatened harm to their children,
- Families in need of support services to ensure child safety,
- Crisis intervention,
- Substance abuse and domestic violence,
- Parent education/groups to increase parenting school,
- Informal counseling,
- Parent-child interaction,
- Child development, and
- Socialization activities.

They will be responsible for performing the day-to-day tasks that are required to successfully run a Neighborhood Place program.

Family Success Coach:

Family Success Coaches are required to have a Bachelor's Degree and two (2) years' experience in working with child abuse and neglect. In certain instances, extensive experiences (5 or more years) in child abuse and neglect, coupled with a deep understanding of the community may be sufficient for obtaining this position.

The Family Success Coach provides direct case management and Neighborhood Place Services for families. These individuals must be thoroughly trained by the Neighborhood Place Director before caseloads are assigned. As need arises, this position may be part time or full time.

Outreach Worker:

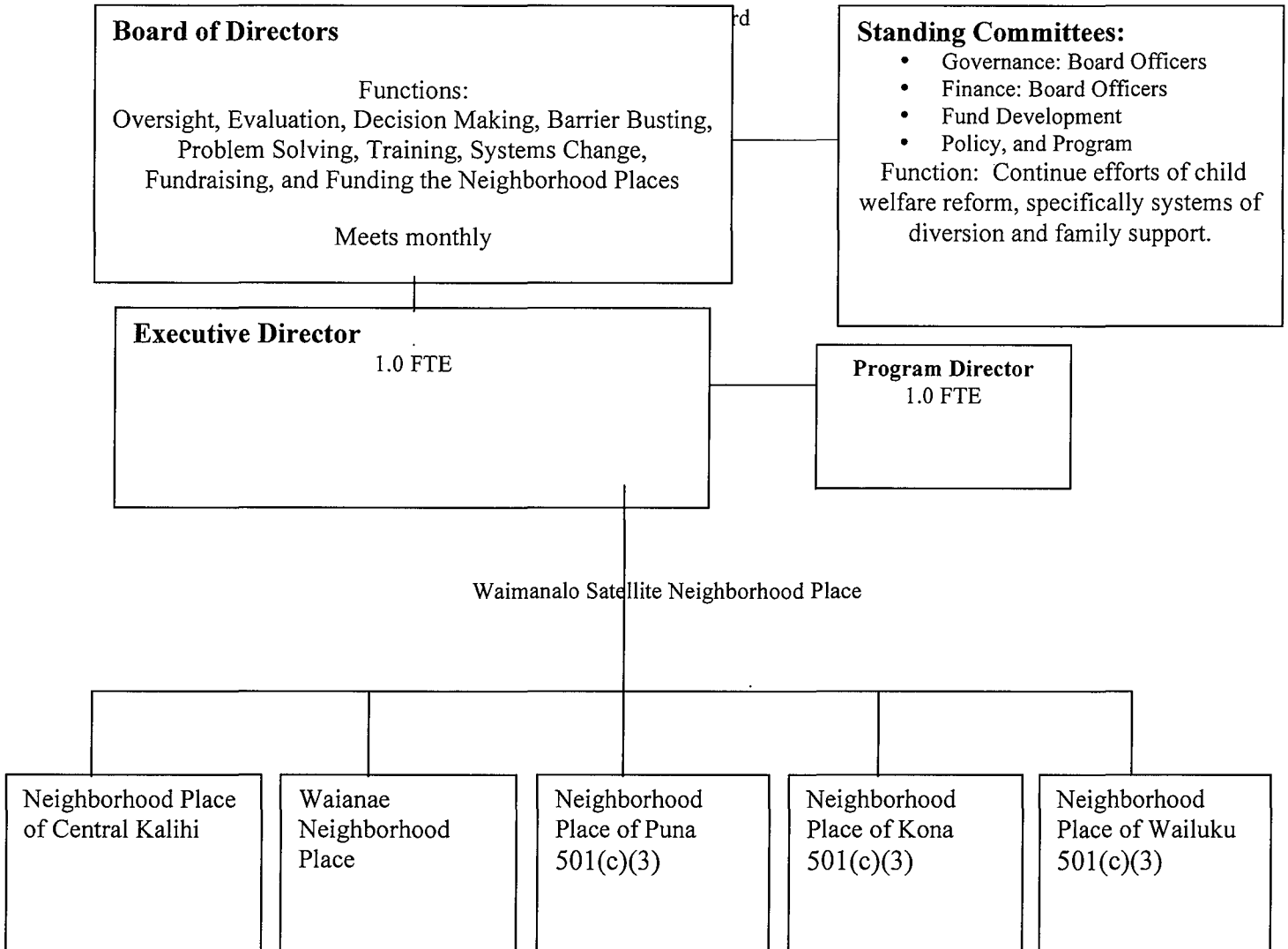
Outreach Workers are required to have a Bachelors Degree and two (2) years experience in working with child abuse and neglect. In certain instances, extensive experiences (5 or more years) in child abuse and neglect, coupled with a deep understanding of the community may be sufficient for obtaining this position. As need arises, this position may be part time or full time.

The Outreach Worker provides home visitation and outreach services (See attachment X for full job description). These individuals must be thoroughly trained by the Neighborhood Place Director before caseloads are assigned.

B. Organization Chart

See Chart below.

Blueprint for Change
Organizational Chart
Tax-Exempt 501(c)(3) Organization



VI. Other

A. Litigation

None.

B. Licensure or Accreditation

N/A

BUDGET REQUEST BY SOURCE OF FUNDS
(Period: July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013)

Applicant: Blueprint for Change

BUDGET CATEGORIES	Total State Funds Requested (a)	DHS -POS 2012 Contract (b)	(c)	(d)
A. PERSONNEL COST				
1. Salaries	120,000	450,000		
2. Payroll Taxes & Assessments	16,056	60,210		
3. Fringe Benefits	19,357	72,587		
TOTAL PERSONNEL COST	155,413	582,797		
B. OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES				
1. Airfare, Inter-Island	4,000	1,000		
2. Insurance	1,250	5,250		
3. Lease/Rental of Equipment	2,000	17,000		
4. Lease/Rental of Space	20,000	115,000		
5. Staff Training	5,000			
6. Supplies	4,500	2,500		
7. Telecommunication	7,300	14,300		
8. Utilities	537	2,400		
9. Contract - Administrative		9,753		
10. Community Development				
11				
12				
13				
14				
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19				
20				
TOTAL OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES	44,587	167,203		
C. EQUIPMENT PURCHASES				
D. MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASES				
E. CAPITAL				
TOTAL (A+B+C+D+E)	200,000	750,000		
SOURCES OF FUNDING		Budget Prepared By:		
(a) Total State Funds Requested	200,000	<i>Richard Klein</i>		
(b) DHS POS Contract 2012	750,000	Name (Please type or print)		
(c)		Phone		
(d)		1/27/12		
		Date		
TOTAL BUDGET	950,000	<i>Stephen K. Morse, Executive Director</i>		
		Name and Title (Please type or print)		

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION PERSONNEL - SALARIES AND WAGES

Applicant: Blueprint for Change

Period: July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013

POSITION TITLE	FULL TIME EQUIVALENT	ANNUAL SALARY A	% OF TIME ALLOCATED TO GRANT REQUEST B	TOTAL STATE FUNDS REQUESTED (A x B)
BFC - Executive Director	1	\$65,000.00	50.00%	\$ 32,500.00
BFC - Program Director	0.5	\$30,000.00	25.00%	\$ 7,500.00
NP Kona - Program Staff	1	\$32,000.00	50.00%	\$ 16,000.00
NP Puna - Program Staff	1	\$32,000.00	50.00%	\$ 16,000.00
NP Kalihi - Program Staff	1	\$32,000.00	50.00%	\$ 16,000.00
NP Wailuku - Program Staff	1	\$32,000.00	50.00%	\$ 16,000.00
Waianae NP - Program Staff	1	\$32,000.00	50.00%	\$ 16,000.00
				\$ -
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TOTAL:				120,000.00

JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:

Funding received from the GIA will be used to subsidize NP contracts, allowing each of them to maintain of full time Outreach worker or Family Success Coach, depending on the need of a particular program.

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION CAPITAL PROJECT DETAILS

Applicant: Blueprint for Change

Period: July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013

FUNDING AMOUNT REQUESTED						
TOTAL PROJECT COST	ALL SOURCES OF FUNDS RECEIVED IN PRIOR YEARS		STATE FUNDS REQUESTED	OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDS REQUESTED	FUNDING REQUIRED IN SUCCEEDING YEARS	
	FY: 2010-2011	FY: 2011-2012	FY:2012-2013	FY:2012-2013	FY:2013-2014	FY:2014-2015
PLANS						
LAND ACQUISITION						
DESIGN						
CONSTRUCTION						
EQUIPMENT						
TOTAL:						
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:						

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - EQUIPMENT AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Applicant: Blueprint for Change

Period: July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013

DESCRIPTION EQUIPMENT	NO. OF ITEMS	COST PER ITEM	TOTAL COST	TOTAL BUDGETED
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
TOTAL:			\$ -	

JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:

DESCRIPTION OF MOTOR VEHICLE	NO. OF VEHICLES	COST PER VEHICLE	TOTAL COST	TOTAL BUDGETED
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
TOTAL:			\$ -	

JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:

**DECLARATION STATEMENT
APPLICANTS FOR GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES
CHAPTER 42F, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES**

The undersigned authorized representative of the applicant acknowledges that said applicant meets and will comply with all of the following standards for the award of grants and subsidies pursuant to section 42F-103, Hawaii Revised Statutes:

- (1) Is licensed or accredited, in accordance with federal, state, or county statutes, rules, or ordinances, to conduct the activities or provide the services for which a grant or subsidy is awarded;
- (2) Comply with all applicable federal and state laws prohibiting discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, creed, sex, age, sexual orientation, or disability;
- (3) Agree not to use state funds for entertainment or lobbying activities; and
- (4) Allow the state agency to which funds for the grant or subsidy were appropriated for expenditure, legislative committees and their staff, and the auditor full access to their records, reports, files, and other related documents and information for purposes of monitoring, measuring the effectiveness, and ensuring the proper expenditure of the grant or subsidy.

In addition, a grant or subsidy may be made to an organization only if the organization:

- (1) Is incorporated under the laws of the State; and
- (2) Has bylaws or policies that describe the manner in which the activities or services for which a grant or subsidy is awarded shall be conducted or provided.

Further, a grant or subsidy may be awarded to a non-profit organization only if the organization:


- (1) Has been determined and designated to be a non-profit organization by the Internal Revenue Service; and
- (2) Has a governing board whose members have no material conflict of interest and serve without compensation.

For a grant or subsidy used for the acquisition of land, when the organization discontinues the activities or services on the land acquired for which the grant or subsidy was awarded and disposes of the land in fee simple or by lease, the organization shall negotiate with the expending agency for a lump sum or installment repayment to the State of the amount of the grant or subsidy used for the acquisition of the land.

Further, the undersigned authorized representative certifies that this statement is true and correct to the best of the applicant's knowledge.

Blueprint for Change

(Typed Name of Individual or Organization)



(Signature)

1/27/2012

(Date)

Stephen Morse

(Typed Name)

Executive Director

(Title)



PARENTS AND
CHILDREN TOGETHER
A FAMILY SERVICE AGENCY

January 19, 2012

Blueprint for Change
P.O. Box 4560
Honolulu, HI 96812-4560

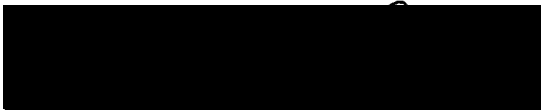
To Whom It May Concern:

PACT's Neighborhood Place of Kalihi wholeheartedly supports Blueprint for Change's application for Grant-In-Aid funding.

PACT's Neighborhood Place of Kalihi supports residents in Kuhio Park Terrace public housing and the surrounding Kalihi neighborhood. Through support from Blueprint for Change, we provide child abuse and neglect prevention services to low-income families to ensure children are raised in a healthy, protective home. The oversight provided by Blueprint for Change has allowed us to provide culturally specific services, child abuse and neglect prevention education and policy change to the Child Welfare system. In the last quarter alone, we serviced over 150 families and provided workshops that focused on Child Abuse and Neglect prevention and awareness and taught valuable life skills for parents.

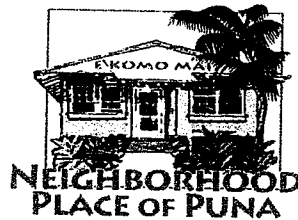
The Neighborhood Places throughout the state provide valuable community based services to those who need them the most. We are proud to count ourselves amongst Blueprint for Change's collaborators.

Sincerely,



Haaheo Mansfield
Vice President of Programs

P.O. Box 2020
15-3039 Puhoo Village Rd.
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January 19, 2012

Stephen K. Morse, Executive Director
Blueprint for Change
1188 Bishop Street, Suite 1204
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Mr. Morse:

As the Executive Director of Neighborhood Place of Puna, I support Blueprint for Change's application for a Grant-In-Aid request to the State of Hawaii's Legislature.

Neighborhood Place of Puna (NPP) is the only child abuse and neglect home-visiting prevention program headquartered in the Puna district on the Big Island. In these tough economic times, in a district with high levels of poverty and child abuse and neglect, NPP is working to help families find the resources and develop the skills necessary to raise healthy and safe children.

Blueprint for Change makes it possible for Neighborhood Place of Puna to help families at risk for child abuse and neglect. Blueprint for Change also makes it possible for NPP work collaboratively with the community on programs and projects that build stronger communities. This past year we worked with government, businesses, schools, and individuals to get the Mt. View Gym reopened. In a community with so little, a community gym offering sports and activities, creates a significant improvement in the quality of life in that community.

We look forward to continuing our partnership with Blueprint for Change and fully support Blue Print for Change GIA request. It my sincere hope that you will be awarded the GIA grant so that BFC can continue support all of the Neighborhood Places in doing the wonderful work that we are all so passionate about – Preventing Child Abuse and Neglect.

Sincerely,

Paul Normann, Executive Director
paul@neighborhoodplaceofpuna.org

Neighborhood Place of Kona

Caring for Families and Communities

74-5565 Luhia Street B-1

Kailua Kona, HI 96740

(808) 331-8777

January 25, 2012

Stephen Morse, Executive Director
BluePrint For Change
PO Box 4560H
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Stephen ~

On behalf of the Neighborhood Place of Kona Board of Directors, this letter is our statement of support BluePrint For Change's Grant-In-Aid application to the Hawaii State Legislature's 2012 session.

Neighborhood Place of Kona continues to serve the needs of families in the West Hawaii region which spans from Naalehu and Ocean View to the south, to Kapa'au and Hawi at the northern tip and to Waimea in the northwest area. Funding provided through BluePrint For Change will be vital to our ability to continue serving our community.

If there is more information we can provide to support the Grant-In-Aid application, please contact me at 808.331.8777 or 808.989.0558.

Sincerely,

Susan Maddox

Susan Maddox
Executive Director and
Board Secretary

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Wai'anae, Hawaii 96792
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January 19, 2012

Stephen K. Morse, Executive Director
Blueprint for Change
1188 Bishop Street, Suite 1204
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Mr. Morse:

As the Program Director of Ka Wahi Kaiaulu-Wai'anae Neighborhood Place, I support Blueprint for Change's application for a Grant-In-Aid request to the State of Hawaii's Legislature.

Ka Wahi Kaiaulu-Wai'anae Neighborhood Place is a program of Hale Na'au Pono, a community based, non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization that is committed to support humane and resilient communities of the Wai'anae Coast. We understand the importance of partnerships necessary to work with our families in providing whole and not fragmented services. We have been involved in a continual collaborative process and observe the necessity and urgency of such a beneficial service to the entire coastline. Due to the family support and referral linkage services that we offer, it is essential that both risk and protective factors are identified, resources located and wellness revealed.

As outlined in Blueprint for Change's proposed grant request, Ka Wahi Kaiaulu-Wai'anae Neighborhood Place is committed to participate in the effort as a provider of community based services on the Wai'anae Coast.

We look forward to continue our partnership with Blueprint for Change and the Neighborhood Place Partnership.

Sincerely,

Barbie-Lei Burgess, Program Director
Ka Wahi Kaiaulu-Wai'anae Neighborhood Place
Hale Na'au Pono

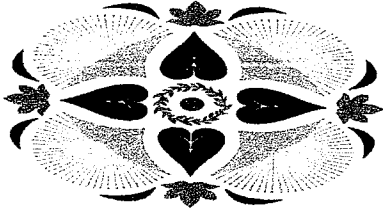
Ka Wahi Kaiaulu-Wai'anae Neighborhood Place

Located at 85-979 Mill Street **Mailing Address** at 86-226 Farrington Highway Wai'anae 96792

Tele phone: 696-4598

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E-mail: wnp-bfc@wccmhc.org



NEIGHBORHOOD PLACE

of

Wailuku

January 18, 2012

To Whom It May Concern:

The Neighborhood Place of Wailuku is delighted to support Blueprint for Change's submittal of a request for Grant-In-Aid funds to assist in sustaining the Neighborhood Place programs on Oahu, Maui and Hawaii Islands. The work of the Neighborhood Places has been for over 8 years an integral part to preventing child abuse and neglect within our child welfare system's differential response. Here at the Neighborhood Place of Wailuku, 83% of families served in the capacity of family strengthening are of Native Hawaiian Descent. Last year alone we served over 600 youth, families and adults through our services. The Neighborhood Place of Wailuku can continue to serve in this capacity and more should Blueprint for Change be awarded.

Me Ka Ha'aha'a,



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