Fundable Grant Proposal

Introduction

Child Savers is a non-profit organization located in Richmond, Virginia. This agency has been around since 1924. Child Savers helps children improve their mental health. The mission statement is to promote healthy development of mental health and regulate healthy emotions. This agency helps youth receive mental health care, child development, and trauma and resilience training. Mental health is stigmatized, and society may view people with mental health issues as dangerous. If left untreated, mental health can pose a danger to yourself or others. As a future human services professional, I would like to help others who suffer from mental health issues, specifically in the field with children. Due to my personal experiences as a child, this agency seemed perfect to fundraise for. I was thrilled to help this non-profit organization. I have known about this agency for a while, due to one of my good friends being a counselor there. To know that I am helping children contribute to positive mental health warms my heart. When I found out that I could raise funds to help this organization, I was excited.

When I was little, I encountered trauma as a child. This impacted my mental health in a negative way and made me really shy growing up. Expressing myself such as, painting, drawing, and playing sports helped me to overcome the challenges that I faced. Children are our future, and if it can be addressed early on, this can have a positive outlook on their life. Mental health was addressed early on for me, which created positive experiences and created resiliency in my life. Right now, mental health is on the rise. Promoting healthy mental health is essential to have positive behavior. I wanted to help raise funds for children who struggle with mental health and contribute to their success. Mental health is important for the healthy development of children. To cater to mental health, activities such as painting, taking trips, and playing could help develop fine motor skills for healthy development towards mental health. With the donations, this will help promote healthy development of the children. The objective was to give children everything they need to promote healthy development, such as confidence, resiliency, and independency with mental health. Over the years, Covid-19 has impacted mental health, causing rates to become higher. This has impacted children causing them to become stressed by school closings, losing their loved ones, and extracurricular activities being put to a stop. By helping the children improve their mental health, additional resources would be needed, such as art supplies, trips, play equipment, and overall monetary donations. Monetary donations would be used to get the art supplies, contribute to the trips, and purchase the play equipment. This will promote healthy development of the children. By getting donations, this will promote healthy mental health and make the most memorable experiences through the joy of activities. Mental health impacts everyone, and children are often the ones most vulnerable. I fundraised for healthy development of mental health for youth. By raising money, this will help promote the best experience to help children who suffer from mental health issues. I asked my good friend if I could come by and observe. I noticed a few things that could help towards the healthy development of children’s mental health. She also told me what they could use and what would help. I was happy to help raise money for this cause.

The Planning Process

First, I had to figure out what agency I wanted to help. I wanted to fundraise for an organization that had meaning to me. While talking to my good friend, I thought the agency that she worked at would be great. I created a Facebook post about fundraising for the nonprofit organization. On the Facebook post, I provided information on the topic of mental health and how children are most vulnerable, especially if they have experienced trauma in their life. I gave others insight about the nonprofit organization and how their donations would benefit the children. Every day I would make a post to get others to donate for the cause. I also told some of my family who did not have social media about the agency. If anyone wanted to donate, I gave them my cash app. Once the funds reached a set amount, I donated to the agency. Every donor that donated received a thank you note mailed to them. I also told them to spread the word to others by inviting as many people as they could in the Facebook post.

Results of Fundraiser

The results turned out to be successful. The initial goal was to raise $500 towards the healthy development of children’s mental health. The time frame that the funds needed to be raised was in one month. The estimated costs of the art supplies, money towards trips, and play equipment was around $400. I was surprised that the donations surpassed the initial asking amount of $400. The overall donations raised were $500. The results rate was increasing, which allowed the fundraiser to be successful. People were excited to donate for the cause. I found that when children are involved, people are more likely to donate for the cause without hesitation. Everyone wants to see children succeed, especially if there are certain barriers that will hold them back. Some kids are stigmatized and are viewed as bad. However, with proper guidance, the right resources, and encouragement, the development of good mental health will promote positive life experiences.