City of Lawrence Outside Agency Bi-annual Report 2016

Reports on activity should be submitted electronically to Danielle Buschkoetter, at dbuschkoetter@lawrenceks.org. Reports on activities from January 2016 to June 2016 are due on July 15th 2016. Cumulative reports on activities from January 2016 through December 2016 are due on February 15th 2017.

Agency Name:		
Reporting Period (please check one):	January - June (deadline July 15)	☐ January – December (deadline February 15)

- 1. Give a <u>brief</u> narrative of the activities that were funded with City funds over the reporting period checked above.
 - City funding for the homeless outreach grant pays directly for three outreach workers to provide outreach services to the homeless population of Lawrence, paying rent/deposit for clients who are ready get out of homelessness and able to rent an apartment, birth certificates and state ID's for clients who need to replace lost/stolen credentials, utility assistance for clients entering into a lease who need help paying past utility bills.
 - 2. Provide specific detail (and supportive documents, if needed) to demonstrate progress made toward your goals/objectives. 1.
 - A. Through each six month period of 2016 the Outreach Team has a goal of housing at least 25 individuals and families. For the time period of January, 2016 to June, 2016 the outreach team assisted 40 clients with attaining housing, preventing eviction, or helping to stabilize a precarious housing situation. This number is 80% of the team's annual housing goals.
 - B. The Outreach Team has a goal of assisting 10 individuals with obtaining gainful employment or benefits within each six month period of 2016. The team assisted 2 people with obtaining benefits and 17 people with employment during these first 6 months, exceeding the annual goal.
 - C. The Outreach Team will develop a homeless speaker's panel and present to community partners at least twice per year to help educate and reduce stigma. The team and panel presented at the CIT training in February of 2016.
- 3. How have you impacted the citizens of Lawrence?
 - The Homeless Outreach Team directly impacts the citizens of Lawrence by reducing the number of homeless on the streets, lessening the health and other risks experienced by homeless citizens due to the challenges of homelessness such as exposure to the elements and inclement weather.
- 4. What barriers, if any, have you encountered?
 - Main barriers continue to be insufficient supplies of affordable and available housing stock for low and extreme low income families and individuals, funding for rent/deposit assistance to assist people in accessing available housing, low employment opportunities

for individuals with low educational levels and little work experience, and few options for education/vocational habilitation, as well as a sufficient number of shelter beds for people and families while they are experiencing homelessness.

5. Review the line-item budget you provided in your application. How much of your allocation has been spent?

\$90,102 of \$153,208 or 59%