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Adriana de Bruin
Business Manager, County Executive Office
105 E. Anapamu Street, Room 406
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

April 26, 2016

Dear Ms. de Bruin:

Enclosed/attached are VTC Enterprises' application and budget worksheet for the *County of Santa Barbara Outside Agency Funding Request 2016-17*. Our request is for \$12,150 to be used for providing sensory assessments & plans from a licensed Occupational Therapist (OT) for 27 individuals with severe developmental and physical disabilities who receive services in our Quality Life Services program.

Full sensory balance is important for good health and wellbeing, and it is now understood that one of the barriers for people with disabilities to fully access their own lives can lie within the issue of sensory integration deficits. The mission of VTC Enterprises is to assist individuals with disabilities or other barriers in choosing and achieving their life goals; to do that, we need to understand what is preventing them from making progress. This is especially challenging for individuals whose disability hinders their cognition or self-expression. A physical barrier can usually be accommodated early because it can be seen. But a sensory deficit usually makes itself known through negative behaviors and/or aversions that require professional evaluation to detect the true issues and how they might be addressed. Once a person has optimal sensory balance, they have a better chance of making positive progress in many areas of life, even when that balance is achieved later in life.

If you have questions about our application or would like more information about sensory integration, you can contact me, Carey Reimer, at creimer@vtc-sm.org. You may also contact our CEO, Jason Telander, at jtelande@vtc-sm.org or by phone at (805) 928-5000 x324. Should Outside Agency funding become available, we do appreciate the opportunity to have our request considered by the Board of Supervisors.

Sincerely,

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FY 2016-17 Outside Agency Funding Request Form

Deadline for Submission: Monday, May 2, 2016, 5:00 p.m.

The Board of Supervisors *may* consider funding requests from outside agencies during the **FY 2016-17** budget hearings in June 2016, if funding is available. An allocation of funding to outside agencies is not guaranteed.

Please submit the following by **5:00 p.m., Monday, May 2, 2016, NO EXCEPTIONS, via Email or Hardy Copy (postmarks will not be accepted):**

1. Provide a cover letter explaining your request; and
2. Fill out this application (no more than 2 pages); and
3. Attach the Line Item Budget spreadsheet (no more than 2 pages) for the agency's program request

Hearings are scheduled for June 13, 15, and 17, with Outside Agency Requests considered on one of these days (yet to be determined). The **requesting agency must be represented and present**; please plan accordingly.

Total Request: \$ 12,150

Name of Organization: VTC Enterprises

Title of Program: Sensory Integration Program New or ongoing program? Ongoing

Location(s) of services delivered: 2445 'A' Street, Santa Maria, CA 93455

Name of Agency Executive Director: Jason Telander

Phone #: (805) 928-5000 X324 Email: jtelander@vtc-sm.org Website: www.vtc-sm.org

1. Briefly summarize the purpose of the program, why the funds are needed, and the benefit to the community:

The purpose of the program is to improve quality of life for individuals w/significant disabilities by providing & implementing sensory assessments & plans from an Occupational Therapist w/expertise in sensory integration (SI). Full sensory balance is important for good health & sense of wellbeing, and it is now understood that one of the barriers for people w/disabilities to fully access their own lives can lie within the issue of SI. Funds are needed to provide assessments & plans to 27 individuals w/disabilities. The community benefits as individuals become more comfortable in their bodies & environments, have an increased sense of wellbeing, independence & participation in life, translating into less stress on families & resources. Social systems & support staff that might otherwise be wrapped up in managing illnesses and negative behaviors can operate more efficiently. Also, there is a need for increased opportunities for people w/disabilities to realize their best potential in public & private settings & a need to provide targeted services to a growing population of people w/Autism Spectrum Disorder.



2. Briefly summarize the service to be provided and how many people will be served:

The Sensory Integration Program is already operating within VTC's Quality Life Services (QLS) department. The service(s) provided include: A licensed OT completes a thorough sensory assessment on the individual and, based on the findings in the assessment, creates a personalized plan targeting the individual's sensory deficits. The plan is implemented by VTC staff (who have been trained by the OT), and progress is monitored, measured, tracked and reported. Reassessments and updates will be made as the individual progresses. The QLS program currently serves 90 individuals with severe disabilities; 60 of those individuals are in the process of receiving their sensory assessments/plans; this request and one other address the remaining 30 individuals who still need assessments/plans.

3. Detail the timeline for providing the service:

Between April and July of 2016, 60 of the 90 individuals with disabilities in our Sensory Integration Program are in the process of receiving their sensory assessments and plans from the OT. If funded, the remaining 30 individuals would receive theirs beginning in late summer 2016 and would likely be finished by the end of December 2016. Should the OT's schedule somehow not allow that completion date, assessments would complete well before the end of June 2017.

4. Describe key outcomes to be achieved with the funding and how they will be measured:

Key outcomes are that 27 individuals w/severe disabilities will receive a personalized sensory assessment & plan from a licensed OT. Based on information within the assessment & plan, personalized goals are set for the individuals. Progress data is tracked, collected, and analyzed; results are recorded and reported in progress & log notations & in individuals' annual Person Centered Plan meeting. Their outcomes information becomes part of our organization's overall evaluation and planning process.



5. Describe if this is a one-time or ongoing request, and if funded in prior years and amounts:

This is a one-time request in that we are building a program which has a development termination point. We are seeking grants to complete the development, but the implementation, monitoring and tracking of the Sensory Integration Program is built into our QLS program and is not dependent upon continued grant income to run. It is the remaining OT assessments/plans and equipment needs that require funding at this time; once those are fulfilled/procured, our Sensory Integration Program will continue to run within our existing organizational structure and funding.



6. Describe the agency's expertise and capacity to deliver services including fiscal stability:

VTC has consistently & successfully provided services to people w/disabilities since 1961 and is accredited by CARF International. Our SI Program has been active for 3 years, the OT has been in practice over 25 years. We are fiscally stable and audited annually by an independent auditor. The SI Program operates within an established department, so costs will decrease considerably after development is complete.



7. Agency staff responsible for application: Carey Reimer, Resource Development Coordinator

County Staff Comments Only:

Address submittals to:

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Requests can be emailed to: outsideagency@countyofsb.org

Questions: Please contact Adriana de Bruin, Business Manager, County Executive Office, at 568-3400.

**FY 2016-17 Line Item Budget
For Program**

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Agency: VTC Enterprises

Program Name: Sensory Integration Program (within VTC's Quality Life Services Program)

Amount \$\$ Requested: \$13,500.00

Program Budget	FY 2016-17	
Funding Sources/Revenues	Committed	Uncommitted
County of Santa Barbara		\$12,150.00
<i>May & Stanley Smith Charitable Trust</i>	\$30,000.00	
<i>Women's Fund of Northern Santa Barbara County</i>	\$10,000.00	
<i>Mark & Dorothy Smith Family Foundation</i>	\$5,000	
<i>Santa Barbara Foundation (express matching)</i>	\$4,000.00	
<i>Central Coast Wine Classic Foundation</i>	\$4,000.00	
<i>Altrusa Club of the Central Coast Foundation, Inc.</i>		1,350
<i>TBD</i>		\$89,000
Total	53000	102500

Funding Uses/Expenses	Budget
<i>Sensory Integration Equipment/Supplies</i>	\$110,000
<i>Sensory Assess & Plan for 90 individ @ \$450/ea</i>	\$40,500
<i>Sensory Integration Training for VTC Staff</i>	\$5,000
Total	155500