Request Summary
The Kathryn B. McQuade Foundation

Organization Information

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OVERVIEW AND MISSION OF ORGANIZATION

North Lawn College Preparatory Charter High School (NLCP) is a public, open-enrollment, charter high school located in Chicago's Westside. It serves about 900 African-American students on two—campuses. A three-part model is employed to help students succeed at NLCP and beyond graduation. First, an intense instructional program that develops academic skills, second, an investment in helping students develop their personal skills and characteristics for college success and finally a carefully designed counseling system that follows incoming Freshman through all four years as well as the first year of college, if applicable. Founded over 16 years ago NLCP has seen more than 85% of their students graduate and enroll in college. This fall over 150 students in the class of 2014 are attending over 50 different colleges and universities.

Organization's Tax ID: 36-4229548

Request Information

Request Title: Phoenix Rising Request Amount: \$15,000

Purpose of Request & Description of Activities

One of the successful programs at NLCP is "Phoenix Rising" that coordinates and pays for students to participate in various summer enrichment activities. The activities range from students attending colleges and universities to take summer courses and experience college life, to students not ready for college classes to participate in leadership camps, or others are placed in internships with local businesses in the Chicago area. This program has shown the students who participate are well equipped to submit competitive college applications and many as first generation college students are able easily navigate their freshman year in college.

All students enrolled in "Phoenix Rising" are required to participate in one of the summer enrichment areas in order to graduate. The grant will help the program grow from 250 to 275 participants and it will be used to offset student travel and program enrollment costs. While all enrichment program areas are important, results show a sustainable difference in the students able participate in a summer enrichment program outside of Chicago. The Phoenix Rising budget is projected to be \$90,000 - \$100,000.