Request Summary The Kathryn B. McQuade Foundation

Organization Information

Roots & Wings Foundation 75 Bloomfield Ave, Suite 303 Denville, NJ 07834 Organization's Tax ID: 22-3683539

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OVERVIEW AND MISSION OF ORGANIZATION

Roots & Wings is a program set in New Jersey to assist young adults who age out of the foster care system. It began in 1999 and provides long term care and housing to aged out foster youth beyond the age of 21. Nationally, more than 230,000 your people have aged our of care since 1999 and in New Jersey there are approximately 800 young adults leaving foster care each year. Currently 8 youth are housed in Morris County living in apartments and working towards education/careers being supported by a team of professional adults.

Request Information

Request Title: Program Expansion **Request Amount**: \$75,000 (\$25,000 each year for 3 consecutive years)

Purpose of Request & Description of Activities

Roots & Wings is looking to expand their service area into Union County in New Jersey. A three year grant of \$25,000 per year covers ½ the cost of one young adult with long term housing. The funds will be used for the costs of direct services such as housing, education, case management, mental health counseling and mentoring. The residential program works best for highly motivated individuals who have the drive to be self-sufficient. The total annual budget is \$100,000. To date \$71,000 in grants have been received with a balance of \$30,000 either requested or forecasted. This figure does not reflect the request to the McQuade Foundation.

The first year of the 3year request has been awarded with the remaining year fundings contingent on the success of the program.