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Fostering Success Application Questionnaire

This list of questions can be used as a guide for developing your proposal description. Not all questions will be relevant to each proposal.

1. Establishing Need and Student Population

- Approximately how many students on your campus would identify as a former foster youth? (FAFSA Question #53)
- Does your campus currently have a formal structure/program to serve the former foster youth population? If yes, about how many students do you currently serve?
- Under your proposal, how many students per academic year do you aim to assist/incorporate into your program?
- Is there a limit to how many students you will be able to assist based on staffing and resources provided?
- How do you plan to identify eligible students?

2. Services and Programming Provided

- Briefly describe the program you plan to establish, including what services you plan to provide former foster youth enrolled at your university?
 - If you have an existing program, please briefly describe your current programming and funding structure and how the proposed program will expand or change your current program.
- What direct services will be provided to students?
- What staff/peer support will be provided to students?
- What is your plan for engagement with students? (e.g., e-mail/phone/events/other)
- Will there be other student engagement with the program? (e.g., mentors/work study options)

3. Institution's Commitment (space, FTE/work release, etc.)

- What campus department(s) will host the program on campus? Will other departments be partners/incorporated into the program?
- What internal partners do you have to provide successful pathways for students? (e.g., TRIO/Admissions/Student Success/Housing/Other)
- Will there be a physical location or space provided for the program/students on campus? If yes, briefly describe how the space will be used and how it will be accessible to the student population?
- What personnel will be assigned or hired to this program? What will be their role(s)?

4. Administration

- Who will be responsible for tracking funding for the program?
- Who will be responsible for administration and management of the program?
- Will there be "emergency funds" available to students?
 - How will this money be raised?
 - What funding sources will these come from?
 - How will these funds be tracked?

5. Program Goals/Objectives & Metrics, Reporting, Evaluation

(A review of outcomes may be required by each campus for funding renewal in future budget years.)

- What are the program goals and objectives? (e.g., # to serve, retention, graduation rates, recruitment, quality of service, debt load of students)
- Provide details and/or metrics of how you plan to assess and measure the program goals and objectives.
- Who will be responsible for tracking reportable metrics for the program?

6. Personnel

- If available, provide a list of titles and job descriptions or minimum qualifications of the employees assigned or to be hired to this program.
- Will trauma informed care or other additional training be required for the personnel responsible for this program?
- If so, what training programs do you plan to have as requirements?

Additional Questions to Consider:

7. Non-institutional commitment/Leveraged Support

- Are there other non-campus partnerships established for the program (e.g., local business, community groups, K-12)?
- Are there private funding resources established for the program? Or is there a plan to leverage private funding?
- Are there partnerships with other local higher educational institutions? (e.g., branch campuses, technical colleges, independent/private higher education institutions)

8. Meeting Student Needs

- Were former foster youth involved in the development of your program plan/application submission? If so, briefly explain how they were involved?
- How do you plan to incorporate student input into the continued development of the program and programming needs?

9. Foster Youth Outreach & Development

- Does your proposal include plans to engage with foster youth who are not current students on campus? If yes, please describe your plans to engage with this population, including any plans and partnerships to engage with foster youth at elementary/middle/high school levels to develop future pathways for foster youth. (e.g., campus tours, campus retreats).