

Program Category Information



Program Category	Descriptions	Sample Outcomes Tracked <i>*all grantees are required to submit outcome reports. The following is a list of expected outcome reports for each program category*</i>
Academic	The organization is dedicated to advancing educational opportunities and fostering intellectual growth within the Camden community. The organization has values and a mission to bridge gaps in learning resources and provide support to students, educators, and schools. Ideal programs will focus on: curriculum development, tutoring, special education support, student engagement, and/or attendance initiatives.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School attendance • Academic progress (grades, testing scores, assessments). • Program attendance • Tutoring hours logged • Homework completion % • School assignment completion % • Program assignment completion % • Satisfaction surveys <i>*required for all programs*</i>
Recreational	The organization is dedicated to promoting inclusivity, health, and community engagement through recreational and sports activities. The organization has values and a mission that aligns with breaking down barriers and making the joy of sports and physical activity accessible to Camden youth. Idea programs include the following: recreational programs, sports leagues, and youth development programs that include sports and recreation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • % of Physical activity increased • Community involvement in sports events and programming (#of attendees) • Student enrollment • Student progress with developing of sports-related skills • Student player attendance to events and practices • Assessment of leadership skills. • Satisfaction surveys <i>*required for all programs*</i>
Community Service	The organization is committed to making a lasting impact on the lives of individuals and families within the Camden community. The organization has values and a mission to provide essential services, support, and resources to those in need, fostering a compassionate and resilient community. An ideal program provides one or more of the following community services: food assistance, housing support, healthcare access, childcare, transportation assistance, civic engagement, etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of community residents served • Number of physical resources distributed • Hours of services provided • Number of student volunteers and hours of service (if applicable) • Behavioral changes • Level of community involvement • Knowledge and skill development • Number of referrals provided. • Satisfaction surveys <i>*required for all programs*</i>
SEL/Mental Health	<p>The organization is dedicated to nurturing the socio-emotional well-being of individuals by prioritizing mental health and fostering social-emotional learning (SEL). The organization has values and a mission that seeks to empower Camden youth to navigate life's challenges with resilience, empathy, and emotional intelligence. An ideal program provides services in one or more of the following initiatives: in/out of school programs/workshops, counseling services, educational resources, and mental health awareness.</p> <p><i>*Specifically for SEL* programs are structured around the following key CASEL competencies: Relationship skills, social awareness, self-awareness, self management, and responsible decision making.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student engagement • Required: Evidence based mental health measurement tools (ex. Beck inventory scales, Generalized Anxiety scale, Depression scale for children) • School attendance • Academic engagement and progress (grades, testing scores, assessments.) • Student program attendance rates • Satisfaction surveys <i>*required for all programs*</i> <p>SEL Programs Specifically</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Required: One or more CASEL suggested assessment tools https://casel.org/state-resource-center/assessment-tools/
Mentor/Life Skills/Career	The organization is dedicated to guiding Camden youth on transformative journeys towards personal and professional success. The organization has values and a mission to provide mentorship, life skills training, and/or career development opportunities to empower Camden youth to reach their full potential. An ideal program provides services in one or more of the following areas: 1. connections with experienced mentors who provide guidance and shared life experiences, 2.life skills workshops that assist with increasing communication, and problem solving, and/or 3. career development resources such as resume building, interview preparation, job training, and or networking opportunities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of students served • Tracking mentor-to-mentee interactions • Number of mentor-to-mentee activities/outings • Behavior changes as monitored by parents and others • Evidence based assessments for competency in life skills • Tracking career development activities (resume building, mock interviews completed, interviews completed, jobs placement.) • Evidence based assessment for tracking interview skills. • Community Engagement • Satisfaction surveys <i>*required for all programs*</i>