Budget Narrative and Grant Report SPARC "Teen Night" grant

We have held 10 consecutive "Friday Nights for Teens" at the SPARC (South Peninsula Athletic and Recreational Center) from February 16 up to April 22. (We plan to continue until at least June 14). The plan behind this project was to partner with other agencies and groups in the area whereby the hosting responsibilities would be rotated among the various agencies, and the grant would pay associated expenses such as food, staffing, rental costs and marketing. The reality has been that, due to staff turnover and other challenges facing our fellow youth-serving nonprofits and groups, the onus has fallen on just a few agencies. Kenai Peninsula Youth Court has provided food and adult chaperones for seven of the dates, the Center for Alaskan Coastal Studies hosted once, and South Peninsula Behavioral Health Services has hosted twice. We have also lined up hosts for May 17 (Haven House), May 24th (a local church youth group), May 31 (South Peninsula Behavioral Health Services again, June 7th (Upcoming 7th grade Moms) and June 14th (Bunnell Street Arts Center).

The attached spreadsheet itemizes the dates and expenditures by category for the first ten weeks, and projects the same for the remaining dates. Since our attendance has grown considerably from the first month, we are projecting an increase in food expenses to \$200 per week.

Rental costs run \$75 per hour, and the event runs 8:30-11:30 p.m. (including set up), for \$225 rental cost per week.

Chaperone costs are based on \$25 per hour, in alignment up with wages for staff of local youth-serving agencies.

Food includes pizzas, chips, protein bars, cookies and gatorade drinks purchased locally. (Due to relatively low turn-out, we purchase some of the snacks less frequently than once a week, keeping the leftovers for the following week.)

Marketing costs include radio spots on KBBI as well as quarter page ads in the Homer News, which will run in May and part of June.

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