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Project Title: Alliance Replication Project

Project Goals: Since 2004, Alliance has established a proven track record of raising student achievement among educationally disadvantaged students, particularly Alliance’s primary demographic of low-income and minority students. Alliance is now the largest nonprofit charter organization in Los Angeles with 22 charter schools, including 15 high schools and seven middle schools, serving approximately 10,000 students. By August 2014, Alliance will expand to 26 schools, including two additional middle schools and two high schools, bringing the total number of students served to nearly 14,000 when at full capacity.

Alliance is committed to providing rigorous and enriching educational experiences for even more of Los Angeles’ most underserved students. To this end, Alliance is requesting an $8 million CSP Replication Grant to open 10 new charter schools – five high schools and five middle schools – by the end of the five year grant period. The goal of the 10 new schools will be to provide 5,250 students with a high quality education that prepares them for college and promising careers, targeting high-need communities within the Los Angeles Promise Zone as well as in South, East and Central Los Angeles, Huntington Park, Glassell Park, Gardena Northeast San Fernando Valley and the port communities.

Project Expected Outcomes: One hundred percent of Alliance students come from communities that are considered educationally disadvantaged. Our students are: from economically disadvantaged families, migratory families and/or other marginalized groups, English Learners, or have disabilities. Ninety-nine percent of our students are classified as ethnic minorities, and 93% are eligible for free and reduced priced meals.

Alliance’s model is centered on a “Vision of High Quality Charter Schools,” which emphasizes the unique value of each student and expects that 100% of students will graduate from high school college-ready and enroll and succeed in college or career training. As an expected outcome, Alliance schools will continue to improve student achievement on the new Common Core State Standards when state assessments are given for the first time in the 2014-15 school year and then in subsequent years. Alliance will also continue to focus on increasing the number of students who achieve Advanced and Proficient / Basic levels and significantly decreasing the number of students who are Below Basic / Far Below Basic.

Alliance College-Ready Public Schools meets the purpose of the CSP Replication and Expansion of High-Quality Charter School competition. Alliance is a network of high-quality charter schools with demonstrated records of success, including success in increasing student academic achievement, and will open 10 new charter schools that are based on the charter school model for which we have presented evidence of success.