34 Factors Promoting the Sustainability of Programs

FUNDING

- Adequate Funding
- Sufficient Resources to Generate Initial Successes
- Diverse Sources of Funding
- Multi-year Funding
- Realistic Program Budget
- High Levels of In-Kind Resources and Services

PLANNING & EVALUATION

- Sustainability Plan
- Multiple Sustainability
 Strategies
- Demonstrated Effectiveness (Evaluation)
- Clear Vision and Program Goals
- Continuity in Vision and Program Goals

PROGRAM DESIGN & IMPLEMENTATION

- Responds to a Clear Need
- Program Idea Originates from Community
- Program Reflects Community
 Values and Culture
- Train the Trainer Component
- Number of Years in Operation
- Flexibility and Adaptability
- Careful Selection of Dissemination Sites

PARTNERS

- Collaborative Partners
- Program Champions
- Support From a Credible Institution

PERSONNEL

- Strong Leadership
- Continuity in Leadership,
 Staff, and Advisory Board
- Program Uses Local Program Staff
- Funder Involvement
- Strong Base of Committed Volunteers

HOST AGENCY FACTORS

- Receptive Host Agency
- Program Mission Aligns with Host Agency's
- Stable Host Agency
- Pilot Becomes a Core Program Within Host Agency
- Program Activities Become Policy/Law

BROADER COMMUNITY FACTORS

- Strong and Diverse Forms of Community Participation and Support
- Support From Local Government, Policy Makers And Businesses

COMMUNICATIONS

 High Visibility in Community



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