

Allocations Committee

FY 2008 - 11 FUNDING PRIORITIES

To be submitted to the Child Abuse Council for approval at the October 12, 2007 meeting

The following recommendations apply to the allocation of funds from the Children's Trust Fund (AB 2994) and the Child Abuse Prevention, Intervention and Treatment (CAPIT) fund. (AB 1733). They are based upon a combination of **past and current** goals set by the Child Abuse Council of Santa Clara, in addition to State and County requirements. Funds are available for prevention services and early intervention services through 501 C (3) private non-profit agencies only. Long-term intervention and treatment services, activities intended to influence legislation and/or administrative rule-making and active child welfare services (CWS) cases are not eligible for funding. In addition, families with open CWS cases should not be targeted for services mandated by the Court.

Applicant projects selected will participate in a 3 year funding cycle contingent upon satisfactory performance and the availability of funds.

Each project must:

1. Address the prevention of physical abuse, sexual abuse, and/or neglect;
2. Show logical link between the proposed program and the reduction of child abuse/neglect through prevention and early intervention service methods;
3. Respect the integrity of the family unit in planning of services;
4. Document that services provided will benefit and strengthen the families and keep the children safe at home;
5. Create easy access to service for target population e.g. language, location and transportation, etc.;
6. Provide services reflecting the county's cultural and linguistic diversity;
7. Describe an evaluative logic model which includes; Service Goals, Program Inputs, Outputs (service delivery goals), and Outcomes including engagement, short-term and intermediate outcomes. Data collection methods/data sources and collections system must be described;
8. Provide specific evidence of participating in service collaborative with other agencies and/or network of services that leverage resources and access relevant to the proposed populations to be served;

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Attachment A

9. Describe the opportunities made available to parents to be meaningfully involved in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of funded services;
10. Document that services are based on evidence-based or evidence-informed models and/or demonstrated promising practices of your agency.;
11. Show how current funds are being leveraged to obtain new funding for the project.

In addition, to the above criteria, the Allocations Committee will be seeking a representation of the following characteristics in the combination of projects selected for funding:

1. Representation of services County-wide;
2. Identification and provision of services to isolated families, particularly those with children five years of age or younger, children with disabilities, child victims of crime and families of color;
3. Identify and provide services to underserved areas/populations;
4. Demonstrate a history of effectiveness through a multi-disciplinary team approach;
5. Well defined and effective quality home visiting programs;
6. Show ways the program might increase the visibility of child abuse issues and prevention through active outreach and education programs;
7. Collaborate with the Department of Families and Children Services (DFCS) and Family Court to identify and service families requiring early intervention, not under court supervision;

The Allocations Committee encourages new, emerging and innovative programs to apply, however, no special considerations will be given to any program. All applications will be reviewed according to the above listed criteria. Currently funded programs will not be guaranteed funding.

Please review Attachment B, Sample of Funding Areas, for examples of services which may be considered for funding.