



## **Funding Requests**

### **Community Based Child Abuse and Prevention Services**

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The Department of Child Services Regional Service Council for Region 11 along with Children's Bureau will be selecting Local Child Abuse Prevention Services to be provided within the Region based on the prevention plan. Local Child Abuse Prevention Services are defined as both primary prevention services and secondary prevention services.

Community Partners will fund both primary and secondary prevention programs. Primary prevention is defined as those services and programs that positively influence families, parents, caretakers, and children in the general population before abuse or neglect occurs. Primary prevention services:

- Are accessible to everyone in the community;
- Are received voluntarily;
- Seek to promote positive family functioning rather than preventing problems;
- Attempt to influence social forces which impact parents and children;
- Are culturally responsive to the program participants, building on the cultural strengths of the family and community; and
- Utilize methods which are educational and supportive, rather than clinical or treatment-oriented.

Secondary prevention services are offered to populations considered "at risk" for child abuse or neglect. Although abuse or neglect may not have occurred within these families, there is a higher probability that it may occur (or it may have occurred without clear recognition).

Secondary prevention services:

- Are offered to a predefined group of vulnerable or "at risk" individuals;
- Are received voluntarily;
- Focus on particular stressors or parenting issues for identified parents and caretakers;
- Seek to promote positive family functioning rather than just preventing problems;
- Build upon participants' strengths and are not based on a deficit approach; and
- Offer solutions oriented to specific program participants, building on the cultural strengths of the family and community.

The goals or objectives of prevention services are:

- To promote the safety of children
- To reduce the number of children being removed from their parents, guardians, or custodians
- To promote the efficiency of programs and services by coordinating available resources
- To prevent or reduce the number of children who are victims of child abuse, neglect, exploitation, or delinquency

**Proposals will be accepted for but not limited to the prevention service categories listed below. We are also seeking innovative ways to serve the community and prevent child abuse and neglect.**

- Services that aim to address substance abuse/addiction in families
- Services aimed at increase knowledge of internet safety, knowledge of safe relationships, bullying, suicide prevention, awareness of potential safety issues with regards to friends, internet, parents, and self, and increases community awareness of abuse and neglect
- Services that directly prevent child abuse and neglect, directly prevent families becoming involved with the Child Welfare System, or directly impact child safety

### **Requirements to be eligible for Brokered Dollars:**

- Must provide proof of liability insurance
- Must comply with state requirements regarding criminal checks, cps checks, fingerprinting, and local law enforcement checks
- Must provide services to children and families not involved with the Indiana Department of Child Services or Juvenile Probation

Proposals are due on April 26<sup>th</sup>, at 5pm and should be emailed to the following:

Jill Kelly, Vice President of Community Based Services at [Jkelly@childrensbureau.org](mailto:Jkelly@childrensbureau.org)

Joanie Crum, Regional Manager at [Joanie.Crum@dcs.in.gov](mailto:Joanie.Crum@dcs.in.gov)

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## Guidelines for completing a proposal

All proposals should include each section below.

### **Description of the Agency and program services provided:**

This section should include agency background information including a brief description, the agency's mission, services offered, geographic area served, number of individuals served, and the number of full-time and part-time staff. An organizational chart should also be attached.

Please describe the services being provided with requested funding including any information regarding evidence based services, a description of the target population, how many clients will be served in each county, and how to make referrals to the proposed services.

### **Definition of how the services help prevent child abuse and neglect:**

Please describe the goals of the program and how these goals prevent child abuse and neglect.

### **Budget and Budget Narrative:**

Provide a summary of project budget addressing the type and amount of funds requested, a line item description including staff costs, supplies, space/marketing, or any other costs associated with the project. Please include a unit rate when applicable.

Below is a sample Budget:

Staff costs	\$10,000.00
Curriculum/Materials	\$ 5,000.00
Presentation per school	\$ 300.00

**Please be aware that we will require a budget as above, but will be reimbursing per presentation or service. Funds cannot be used to pay staff salary.** Also, payment for brokered dollars is dependent upon funding by the state. Payments are made to you, after funding is received at the Children's Bureau and it often is paid in approximately 60 days. All agencies

being funded through brokered dollars must be an established not for profit agency, must be capable of obtaining appropriate liability insurance before a contract can be completed, and must comply with state regulations regarding background checks, fingerprinting, etc.

**Outcomes expected from the program and how they are measured:**

Please include expected outcomes and the tracking method for these outcomes.

**Please list a Contact person for the program and include an organizational chart**