



PROPOSALS WANTED

FY2015 Strong Families Safe Communities Grant

Helping Ohio's Children and Youth in Crisis

The Ohio Departments of Developmental Disabilities and Mental Health and Addiction Services are actively seeking collaborative community proposals to establish treatment models of care that focus on crisis stabilization for children and youth with intensive needs. This is the second round of allocations aimed at serving Ohio's youth in crisis through local, community-driven solutions. The Departments received many worthy proposals in the initial request, but were only able to fund a few projects in FY2014. As those projects enter into their second year, a decision has been made to solicit proposals for any undesignated funds in FY2015. Proposals are welcomed from previous responders as well as new collaborative groups.

Supporting Families in Need – Reducing Risk of Harm

Governor Kasich and the State of Ohio are committed to improving care coordination and providing support for families with children in crisis who present a risk to themselves, their families, or others because of mental illness or a developmental disability. Many children who are at risk are not engaged in treatment programs and may not be known to the community until a crisis unfolds. Care coordination and targeted crisis intervention services can quickly stabilize a child's health. Support for these families in need will reduce risk of harm and help the family remain together.

Proposal Guidelines

- Proposals must target care coordination for youth ages 8-24 who are aggressive, violent and at risk for out-of-home placement.
- Models of care proposed should include some of the following: intensive care coordination, crisis stabilization and treatment, therapeutic mentoring, family respite/support and risk reduction.
- Proposed services will be for a one year period from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.
- Submissions must be multi-county and include representation from Mental Health and Developmental Disability professionals. No single county proposals will be considered.
- Proposals should not exceed \$300,000 for this one year period. Grantees will be reimbursed based on actual allowable expenses.
- Proposed projects must reflect the capacity to ramp up quickly and begin services in a short time frame.
- Required components for proposals include:
 - Evidence of collaboration across counties and systems;
 - Specific activities/services to be funded and expected outcomes for each;
 - Proposed budget to include the identified fiscal agent;
 - Plans for evaluating the success of the proposed project; and,
 - Outline of how services will be sustained after the grant period.
- Priority will be given to regions not currently served by the Strong Families Safe Communities grants (please see the attached map that highlights current project areas) OR currently funded projects that submit proposals to expand their projects to additional counties.
- Reporting responsibilities and allowable costs will be addressed in Notices of Funding Awards.

Proposal Deadline is April 2, 2014

Submit proposals to:

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