

### **COUNTY OF BOONE – MISSOURI**

# Boone County Children's Services Fund Notice of Funding Availability Strategic Innovation Opportunities

#### **BOONE COUNTY CHILDREN'S SERVICES BOARD MISSION:**

To improve the lives of children, youth and families in Boone County

by strategically investing in the creation and maintenance of integrated systems

that deliver effective and quality services for children and families in need.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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#### I. Background

On November 6, 2012, the citizens of Boone County passed County of Boone Proposition 1, which created a Children's Services Fund for children and youth nineteen years of age or less in Boone County. The Boone County Children's Services Board (BCCSB) has been appointed by the County Commission and entrusted to oversee this Fund. The Fund is created pursuant to RSMo §67.1775, RSMo §210.861, and the ballot language presented to the voters on November 6, 2012. RSMo §210.861 specifies the types of services that may be funded by the BCCSB. By statute, funds may be invested to address the following needs:

- up to thirty days of temporary shelter for abused, neglected, runaway, homeless or emotionally disturbed youth
- respite care services
- unmarried parent services
- outpatient chemical dependency and psychiatric treatment programs
- counseling and related services as a part of transitional living programs
- home-based and community-based family intervention programs
- prevention programs which promote healthy lifestyles among children and youth and strengthen families
- crisis intervention services, inclusive of telephone hotlines
- individual, group, or family professional counseling and therapy services
- psychological evaluations
- mental health screenings

Revenues collected and deposited in the community children's services fund may not be expended for inpatient medical, psychiatric, and chemical dependency services, or for transportation services.

#### II. Strategic Innovation Opportunities Funding

The Strategic Innovation Opportunities Fund may be utilized to improve expertise, pilot innovative programs or as match funds to secure funding from other payer sources. Funds are available for any new or different method, situation, or opportunity that could not have been anticipated, is consistent with, and furthers the Boone County Children's Services Board's mission and priorities.

#### III. Minimum Eligibility Criteria

Organizations must at a minimum meet the following criteria to be eligible for funding:

- Any tax-exempt, not organized for profit agency or governmental entity
- Be in good standing with the State of Missouri
- Conduct an annual independent financial audit
- File a Federal 990 annually
- Be certified, accredited or licensed in the services for which funds are requested
- Require annual background checks, including child abuse and neglect screenings on all employees and volunteers

- Refrain from discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, disability, age, sexual orientation, genetic information, and familial status and comply with all applicable provisions of Federal and State laws which prohibit discrimination in employment and the delivery of services
- Comply with RSMo §285.530 in that they shall not knowingly employ, hire for employment or continue to employ an unauthorized alien to perform work within the state of Missouri

#### IV. Strategic Innovation Opportunities Funding Available

There is \$750,000 allocated per calendar year. Strategic Innovation Opportunities Funding is only available to fund projects that could not have been submitted during an open Request for Proposals. These funds are intended to be one-time funding.

#### V. Requesting Strategic Innovation Opportunities Funds

Please complete a Strategic Innovation Opportunity Concept Paper Cover Sheet and Concept Paper. The information and requirements for the Cover Sheet and Concept Paper follow this Notice of Funding Availability.

#### VI. Award of Strategic Innovation Opportunities Funds

The BCCSB will make a determination based on the Strategic Innovation Opportunity Concept Paper submitted to decline to fund the proposed project or invite the organization to submit a full proposal for a funding decision.

## STRATEGIC INNOVATION OPPORTUNITY CONCEPT PAPER COVER SHEET

## **Applicant Information** Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Federal EIN Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Organization Type (choose one): ☐ tax-exempt/not-for-profit ☐ governmental Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip Code: Name of Executive Director of Organization: Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ **Project Information** Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Requested: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Total Project Cost: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Are funds requested all or part of a required match for a grant? $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No Briefly describe how these funds will be used: Is there any other organization other than the applicant acting as a fiscal agent for this project? ☐ Yes □ No If yes, please indicate the following: Name of Fiscal Agent Organization: Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Project Director (if different from Executive Director): Project Director Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **CONCEPT PAPER REQUIREMENTS**

If your organization or initiative meets the general minimum eligibility requirements for the Boone County Children's Services Board (BCCSB) - Strategic Innovation Opportunity funding, the next step is to develop and submit a Concept Paper — a brief document that provides the BCCSB with an overview of the goals of the potential project.

#### Concept paper should include:

- The project name and a description of the proposed project. Please include how this project will
  promote the well-being and safety of children and youth, and strengthen families in Boone
  County.
- The statutorily eligible service area(s) the project will offer and provide.
- The problem or community need the project will address.
- The target population for the proposed project.
- The estimated number of individuals the proposed project will serve.
- The outcomes of the project on the Boone County community.
- Timeline of proposal.
- Brief description of applicant's organization.
- Describe how this project works with organization's mission and vision for the future.
- Any community support or collaborations for this project.
- The project's sustainability plan.
- Estimated total project costs and the amount sought for this project. Please include any type of cash donations or in-kind contributions.

#### **Concept Paper Requirements:**

- A Concept Paper Cover Sheet must be attached to every Concept Paper.
- Concept Paper must be no longer than five typewritten, double-spaced pages, using standard font size (12 point), letter-sized paper (8 ½" x 11"), 1" margins, and page numbers (excluding the cover sheet).
- Submit an original and an electronic version of the concept paper.
- Do not send any attachments of any kind in with the concept paper.
- Submit the original concept paper to:

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 Submit the electronic version of the concept paper to: communityservices@boonecountymo.org