Boone County Community Services Department

Boone County Children's Services Fund

Application for Contingency Funds Request



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. Overview

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. Funding Goals

The Board believes that it should invest in meaningful services to children, youth and families in a way that utilizes multiple effective strategies. To that end, the Board intends to invest its funding *appropriated for services* in the following general categories:

- Pilot programs that provide innovative services
- Purchase of service programs
- Match funding opportunities
- Strategic opportunities
- Contingency reserve to support other programs with circumstances requiring immediate attention

This Contingency Fund Application allows for a request for funds for exigent circumstances. An exigent circumstance is a circumstance that requires immediate attention. The objective of the Contingency Funds Request is to assist agencies in dealing with non-recurring capital or service contingencies resulting from conditions beyond their control.

III. Minimum Eligibility Criteria

Agencies 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. Funding Available

Applications for contingency funding will be accepted to assist agencies encountering an exigent circumstance. The agency must demonstrate how the exigent circumstance will seriously impair its ability to provide services which are eligible to be funded by the Children's Services Fund and will have a direct impact on children and families in need in Boone County. Agencies must also comply with the Boone County Children's Services Board Funding Policy.

V. Application

The Application Narrative cannot exceed six (6) double-spaced pages, on standard white paper, with at least 12-point font and one-inch margins, excluding required attachments.

Please submit two paper copies to:

Boone County Community Services Department 107 N 7th Street Columbia, MO 65201 Please submit an electronic copy in Microsoft Word or PDF format to: communityservices@boonecountymo.org

BOONE COUNTY CHILDREN'S SERVICES FUND APPLICATION FOR CONTINGENCY FUNDING

Agency Name:	
Agency Address:	
Agency Phone Number:	
Primary Agency Contact (include title):	
Email Address:	
Contact Phone Number:	
Amount Requested:	
Federal Tax ID #:	
Signature:	Date:

1. EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCE INFORMATION

- **a.** Briefly explain the exigent circumstance situation.
 - i. How does this situation impair the agency's ability to provide services to children and families in Boone County?
 - ii. What is the service affected by this situation?
 - iii. How many children/youth/families will be affected by a disruption in services?
 - iv. How will this funding impact services to children?
- **b.** Has the agency applied for funding from any other source(s) to address this problem? If so, please detail. If not, explain why.
- **c.** Has the agency previously received contingency funding from BCCSB or any other similar type of funding from any other sources? If so, please provide detailed information regarding the award.

2. EXPENSES

- **a.** Provide financial data to explain the emergent nature of the request. A narrative of these costs should be attached.
- b. If applicable, attach any quotes, bids, or receipts received which support an exigent circumstance request (three bids are required for items over \$1000). It is recommended that you seek Boone County bids and to choose Boone County vendors whenever financially advantageous.
- **c.** Expense Narrative Outline the reason for the request.