



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
Administration on Children, Youth and Families
1250 Maryland Avenue, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20024

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Suzy Sonnier
Secretary
Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services
627 North 4th Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Dear Secretary Sonnier:

Thank you for submitting Louisiana's Annual Progress and Services Report (APSR), including the annual report on the use of funds under the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act, and the CFS-101 forms requesting funding for fiscal year (FY) 2016 to address the following programs:

- Title IV-B, subpart 1 (Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services) of the Social Security Act (the Act);
- Title IV-B, subpart 2 (Promoting Safe and Stable Families Program and Monthly Caseworker Visit Grant) of the Act;
- Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA);
- Chafee Foster Care Independence Program (CFCIP); and
- Education and Training Vouchers (ETV) Program.

These programs provide important funding to help state child welfare agencies ensure safety, permanency, and well-being for children, youth and their families. The APSR facilitates continued assessment, development, and implementation of a comprehensive continuum of services for children and families. It provides an opportunity to integrate more fully each state's strategic planning around use of federal funds with its work relating to the Child and Family Services Reviews and continuous program improvement activities.

The Children's Bureau (CB) has reviewed your APSR for FY 2016 and the annual report on the use of CAPTA funds and finds them to be in compliance with applicable federal statutory and regulatory requirements. Therefore, we approve FY 2016 funding under the title IV-B, subpart 1; title IV-B, subpart 2; CAPTA; CFCIP; and ETV programs.

Counter-signed copies of the CFS-101 forms are enclosed for your records. The CB may ask for a revised CFS-101, Part I, should the final allotment for any of the approved programs be more than that requested in the Annual Budget Request.

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) Office of Grants Management (OGM) will issue a grant notification award letter with pertinent grant information. Please note that OGM requires grantees to submit additional financial reports, using the SF-425, at the close of the expenditure period according to the terms and conditions of the award.

Training Plan

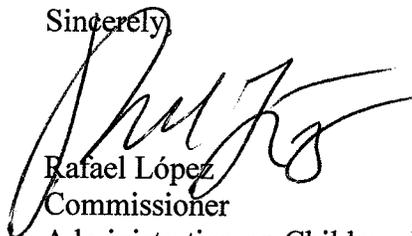
This approval for the FY 2016 funding for title IV-B, subpart 1; title IV-B, subpart 2; CAPTA; CFCIP; and ETV programs does not release the state from ensuring that training costs included in the training plan and charged to title IV-E comply with the requirements at 45 CFR 1356.60(b) and (c) and 45 CFR 235.63 through 235.66(a), including properly allocating costs to all benefiting programs in accordance with the state's approved cost allocation plan.

Additional Information Required

Pursuant to Section 424(f) of the Social Security Act, states are required to collect and report on caseworker visits with children in foster care. The FY 2015 caseworker visit data must be submitted to the Regional Office by December 15, 2015 and states that wish to sample must obtain prior approval from the Regional Office.

The CB looks forward to working with you and your staff. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Janis Brown, Child Welfare Regional Program Manager in Region 6, at (214) 767-8466 or by e-mail Janis.Brown@acf.hhs.gov. You also may contact Ray Worsham, Children and Families Program Specialist, at (214) 767-3977 or by e-mail Ray.Worsham@acf.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,



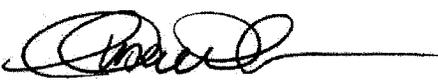
Rafael López
Commissioner

Administration on Children, Youth and Families

Enclosure(s)

cc: Gail Collins, Director; CB, Division of Program Implementation; Washington, DC
Deborah M. Bell, Financial Management Specialist; ACF, OA, OGM; Washington, DC
Janis Brown, Child Welfare Regional Program Manager; CB, Region 6; Dallas, TX
Ray Worsham, Child and Family Program Specialist; CB, Region 6; Dallas, TX

CFS-101, Part I: Annual Budget Request for Title IV-B, Subpart 1 & 2 Funds, CAPTA, CFCIP, and ETV
 Fiscal Year 2016, October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016

1. State or Indian Tribal Organization (ITO): LOUISIANA		2. EIN: 1-72-600-0800-A1
3. Address: DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES O. BOX 3318 Louisiana 70821		P. Baton Rouge,
		4. Submission: [X] New [] Revision
5. Total estimated title IV-B Subpart 1, Child Welfare Services (CWS) Funds		\$4,198,476
a) Total administration (not to exceed 10% of title IV-B Subpart 1 estimated allotment)		\$419,848
6. Total estimated title IV-B Subpart 2, Provides Safe and Stable Families (PSSF) Funds. This amount should equal the sum of lines a - f.		\$5,840,500
a) Total Family Preservation Services		\$1,314,113
b) Total Family Support Services		\$1,314,113
c) Total Time-Limited Family Reunification Services		\$1,314,113
d) Total Adoption Promotion and Support Services		\$1,314,111
e) Total for Other Service Related Activities (e.g. planning)		\$0
f) Total administration (FOR STATES ONLY: not to exceed 10% of title IV-Bsubpart 2 estimated allotment)		\$584,050
7. Total estimated Monthly Caseworker Visit (MCV) Funds (FOR STATES ONLY)		\$367,531
a) Total administration (FOR STATES ONLY: not to exceed 10% of estimated MCV allotment)		\$0
8. Re-allotment of title IV-B subparts 1 & 2 funds for States and Indian Tribal Organizations:		
a) Indicate the amount of the State's/Tribe's allotment that will not be required to carry out the following programs: CWS \$ 0, PSSF \$ 0, and/or MCV(States only)\$ 0		
b) If additional funds become available to States and ITOs, specify the amount of additional funds the States or Tribes requesting: CWS \$ 839,695, PSSF \$ 1,168,100, and/or MCV(States only)\$ 36,753		
9. Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA) State Grant (no State match required): Estimated Amount plus additional allocation, as available. (FOR STATES ONLY)		\$386,188
10. Estimated Chafee Foster Care Independence Program (CFCIP) funds		\$1,358,131
a) Indicate the amount of State's or Tribe's allotment to be spent on room and board for eligible youth (not to exceed 30% of CFCIP allotment)		\$407,439
11. Estimated Education and Training Voucher (ETV) funds		\$419,013
12. Re-allotment of CFCIP and ETV Program Funds:		
a) Indicate the amount of the State's or Tribe's allotment that will not be required to carry out CFCIP Program		\$0
b) Indicate the amount of the State's or Tribe's allotment that will not be required to carry out ETV Program		\$0
c) If additional funds become available to States or Tribes, specify the amount of additional funds the State or Tribe is requesting for CFCIP Program		\$407,439
d) If additional funds become available to States or Tribes, specify the amount of additional funds the State or Tribe is requesting for ETV Program		\$125,704
13. Certification by State Agency and/or Indian Tribal Organization.		
The State agency or Indian Tribe submits the above estimates and request for funds under title IV-B, subpart 1 and/or 2, of the Social Security Act, CAPTA State Grant, CFCIP and ETV programs, and agrees that expenditures will be made in accordance with the Child and Family Services Plan, which has been jointly developed with, and approved by, the Children's Bureau.		
Signature and Title of State/Tribal Agency Official		Signature and Title of Central Office Official
		 Commissioner

CFS-101 Part II: Annual Estimated Expenditure Summary of Child and Family Services

State or Indian Tribal Organization (ITO) Louisiana For FFY OCTOBER 1, 2015 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

SERVICES/ACTIVITIES	TITLE IV-B		(d) CAPTA*	(e) CFCIP	(f) ETV	(g) TITLE IV-E**	(h) STATE, LOCAL, & DONATED FUNDS	(i) NUMBER TO BE SERVED		(j) POPULATION TO BE SERVED	(k) GEOG. AREA TO BE SERVED
	(a) Subpart I- CWS	(b) Subpart II- PSSF						(c) Subpart II- MCV *	Individuals		
1.) PREVENTION & SUPPORT SERVICES (FAMILY SUPPORT)	\$1,259,543	\$1,314,113	\$115,856			\$1,588,071	\$1,588,071	69,866	23,294	CPS & FS services reports of abuse/neglect	statewide
2.) PROTECTIVE SERVICES	\$1,259,543		\$270,332			\$314,886	\$314,886	24,788		valid CPS cases; FC & FS	statewide
3.) CRISIS INTERVENTION (FAMILY PRESERVATION)		\$1,314,113				\$328,528	\$328,528	19,277	11,196	children w/goal of RUF	statewide
4.) TIME-LIMITED FAMILY REUNIFICATION SERVICES		\$1,314,113				\$328,528	\$328,528	6,275		foster children adopted or have A.D goal	statewide
5.) ADOPTION PROMOTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES		\$1,314,111				\$8,585,585	\$4,621,320.25	1,470			statewide
6.) FOR OTHER SERVICE RELATED ACTIVITIES (e.g. planning)						\$9,582,154	\$5,105,963	7,944		all children in foster care	statewide
7.) FOSTER CARE MAINTENANCE:						\$4,585,215	\$2,292,608	1,150		All eligible	statewide
(a) FOSTER FAMILY & RELATIVE FOSTER CARE	\$1,259,542					\$18,252,585	\$9,126,293	86	5,097	All eligible	statewide
(b) GROUP/INST CARE						\$148,493	\$74,247	1,571		All eligible	statewide
8.) ADOPTION SUBSIDY PMTS.					\$419,013			154		All eligible	statewide
9.) GUARDIANSHIP ASSIST. PMTS.											statewide
10.) INDEPENDENT LIVING SERVICES											statewide
11.) EDUCATION AND TRAINING VOUCHERS											statewide
12.) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS	\$419,848	\$584,050				\$14,858,458	\$7,680,204				statewide
13.) STAFF & EXTERNAL PARTNERS TRAINING						\$9,258,859	\$4,629,429.50				statewide
14.) FOSTER PARENT RECRUITMENT & TRAINING											statewide
15.) ADOPTIVE PARENT RECRUITMENT & TRAINING											statewide
16.) CHILD CARE RELATED TO EMPLOYMENT/TRAINING											statewide
17.) CASEWORKER RETENTION, RECRUITMENT & TRAINING			\$367,531					37,000			statewide
18.) TOTAL	\$4,198,476	\$5,840,500	\$367,531	\$386,188	\$419,013	\$65,271,349	\$36,090,076				statewide

* These columns are for States only; Indian Tribes are not required to include information on these programs.
** Only states or tribes operating an approved title IV-E waiver demonstration may enter information for rows 1-6 in column (g), indicating planned use of title IV-E funds for these purposes.

CFRS-101, PART III: Annual Expenditures for Title IV-B, Subparts 1 and 2, Chafee Foster Care Independence (CFCIP) and Education And Training Voucher (ETV) : Fiscal Year 2013:
 October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013

1. State or Indian Tribal Organization (ITO): LOUISIANA DCFS		2. EIN: 1726000800A1		3. Address: P.O. BOX 3776 BATON ROUGE, LA. 70821			
4. Submission: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Revision							
Description of Funds	Estimated Expenditures	Actual Expenditures	Number served		Population served	Geographic area served	
			Individuals	Families			
5. Total title IV-B, subpart 1 funds	\$4,412,694	\$	4,120,089				
a) Total Administrative Costs (not to exceed 10% of title IV-B, subpart 1 total allotment)	\$441,269	\$	412,009				
6. Total title IV-B, subpart 2 funds (This amount should equal the sum of lines a - f)	6,831,489	\$	6,132,801				
a) Family Preservation Services	\$1,537,085	\$	1,379,880				
b) Family Support Services	\$1,537,085	\$	1,379,880				
c) Time-Limited Family Reunification Services	\$1,537,085	\$	1,379,880				
d) Adoption Promotion and Support Services	\$1,537,085	\$	1,379,881				
e) Other Service Related Activities (e.g. planning)	\$0	\$					
f) Administrative Costs (FOR STATES: not to exceed 10% of total title IV-B, subpart 2 allotment after October 1, 2007)	\$683,149	\$	613,280				
7. Total Monthly Caseworker Visit Funds (STATE ONLY)	\$431,581	\$	387,651				
a) Administrative Costs (not to exceed 10% of MCV allotment)	\$0	\$	38,765				
8. Total Chafee Foster Care Independence Program (CFCIP) funds	\$1,455,821	\$	1,407,342				
a) Indicate the amount of allotment spent on room and board for eligible youth (not to exceed 30% of CFCIP allotment)	\$436,746	\$	94,499				
9. Total Education and Training Voucher (ETV) funds	\$485,432	\$	100,973				
10. Certification by State Agency or Indian Tribal Organization (ITO). The State agency or ITO agrees that expenditures were made in accordance with the Child and Family Services Plan, which has been jointly developed with, and approved by, the Children's Bureau.							
Signature and Title of State/Tribal Agency Official		7/16/2015		Signature and Title of Central Office Official		Date	
						NOV - 5 2015	