# FY22 COMMUNITY BASED CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION GRANT



Summary and Funding Recommendations for Approval August 6, 2021

## **Overview of Review Process and Timeline**

## PROPOSAL SUMMARY

• Eligible Proposals Received: 15

New vs. Existing Applicants: 7/8

• Funding Available: \$1,000,000

• Total Funding Requested: \$3,046,853

• Proposals Ranged from: \$54,000 - \$400,000

July 26	Applications Submitted to Children's Cabinet
Jul 27 – Aug 2	Eligible applications reviewed and scored by an external panel
Aug 2 – Aug 5	Scored proposals reviewed by Children's Cabinet staff
August 6	Children's Cabinet reviews and makes grant awards
Aug/Sept	Notice of awards delivered pending Federal award notice
Oct 1	Fiscal year starts

## Funding Recommendations

Applicant	FY21 Award	FY22 Funding Request	FY22 Proposed Funding*	Proposal Overview
Current Grantees				
Elizabeth Layton Center	\$44,320	\$68,609	\$44,320	Circle of Security parenting program (Miami and Franklin Co,)
Family Resource Center	\$101,931	\$163,191	\$101,931	Parent support, case management and home visitation (Crawford Co.)
Kansas Children's Service League	\$172,312	\$195,477	\$172,312	Parent-Child Assistance Program- home visitation case management model for parents with prior substance abuse (Shawnee Co.)
Kansas Children's Service League	\$168,426	\$186,032	\$168,426	Sedgwick Co. Crisis Nursery case management and Wichita Coalition for CAP (Sedgwick Co.)
Kansas Children's Service League	\$259,970	\$400,000	\$259,970	Public awareness, professional development, parent leadership and engagement ( <b>Statewide</b> )
Pony Express Partnership for Children (PECP)	\$134,508	\$200,000	\$134,508	Family support services including homeless prevention, case management and parent education (Marshall and Washington Co.)
The Family Conservancy	\$87,400	\$125,300	\$87,400	Parent education in two public housing communities (Wyandotte Co.)
	FY21 Award	FY22 Request	FY22 Proposed	
Total	\$968,867	\$1,338,609	\$968,867	

New Grantee					
Lawrence Douglas County Health Department	\$173,135	Prenatal care, parent education, peer support classes (Douglas Co.)			
Total Requested	\$173,135				

Promising Proposals		
Great Circle	\$139,340	Families and Fathers program utilizing Nurturing Parenting curriculum (Northeast, Southeast and Kansas City regions of Kansas)
Community Children's Center Douglas Co.	\$194,395	Establishing a family resource center, build child care capacity, child care provider academy (Douglas Co.)
Southeast Kansas Library System	\$54,174	Family Engagement activities, weekly story and play events, play area at Iola Library (Allen Co.)
Total Requested	\$387,909	

- Project Title: Circle of Security
- Type of Application: Community Based
- Geographic Area Served: Miami & Franklin Counties
- CBCAP Funds Requested: \$68,609
- Number Children/Families To Be Served: 30 families

#### **Abstract**

CBCAP funding allows Elizabeth Layton Center (ELC) to provide screening and treatment services to identified at-risk families and caregivers in Miami and Franklin counties of Kansas. In collaboration with community agencies, ELC will evidenced-based programming to a minimum of 30 families in Circle of Security Parenting Programming and gain at least 30 stories entered into the Our Tomorrows project from our counties. ELC will offer Circle of Security programming to expectant parents and to parents of young children through age five. Those identified at-risk will be offered the Circle of Security Program to aid in increasing healthy attachments, to help reverse existing emotional and/or behavioral issues stemming from early adversity experiences, and to help to normalize stress responses in infants, children, and their care givers. Additionally, the childhood providers/teachers who work with at-risk young children will be offered participation in the Circle of Security Classroom Master Course.

## **Applicant: Family Resource Center**

**Average Score:81** 

- Project Title: Family Response Advocate
- Type of Application: Community Based
- Geographic Area Served: Crawford County
- CBCAP Funds Requested: \$163,191
- Number Children/Families To Be Served: 325/170

#### **Abstract**

The program takes place in Crawford County, located in the Southeast corner of the state. 170 at-risk families, 325 at-risk children and 12 frontline personnel will be served. The proposal will focus on Healthy Development and Strong Families. Two primary strategies will be used in the program. The first strategy is the Response Advocates, a partnership with the City of Pittsburg, who work with families and their children through home visiting to keep children from being removed from the home. The strengthening Families and Attachment Biobehavioral Catch-Up models will be used during home visiting. The second strategy is to provide parent education to families and provide frontline personnel with training to help recognize child abuse and neglect. The outcomes are to have children remain in their homes and for families to provide safe, stable, nurturing environments so children can be ready to learn and succeed in life.

**Average Score: 92** 

- Project Title: Parent Child Assistance Program
- Type of Application: Community Based
- Geographic Area Served: Shawnee County
- CBCAP Funds Requested: \$197,477
- Number Children/Families To Be Served: 45/30

#### **Abstract**

Kansas Children's Service League's (KCSL) Parent-Child Assistance Program (P-CAP) proposes serving 30 families with 45 children in Shawnee County during the fiscal year of 2022. P-CAP includes early identification of substance using parents and intensive, in-home, weekly support to families facing multiple challenges with objectives to: 1) prevent child maltreatment; 2) engage the parent into substance use assessment and treatment services; 3) provide recovery support and positive social connections; 4) increase positive parenting skills and parent-child interactions; and 5) improve child health and well-being. Anticipated outcomes are: 1) 95% of children will be screened for developmentally appropriate skills2) 80% of families will demonstrate a positive level of supports, family functioning, and attachment4) 95% of children will remain in their parent's home while in service5) 95% of parents will indicate a positive level of peer engagement and support. The requested funding amount for this project is \$197,477.00.

## **Applicant: Kansas Children's Service League**

- Project Title: Sedgwick County Wichita Coalition for Child Abuse Prevention (WCCAP) and Crisis Nursery Program
- Type of Application: Community Based
- Geographic Area Served: Sedgwick County
- CBCAP Funds Requested: \$186,032
- Number Children/Families To Be Served: 45/30

#### **Abstract**

Kansas Children's Service League (KCSL) is requesting funding for the Wichita Coalition for Child Abuse Prevention (WCCAP) and the Crisis Nursery program. WCCAP began in 2008 and serves as a collective impact project that brings together community agencies and individuals to raise awareness of child abuse prevention. The Crisis Nursery program began in 2012 through research and education of WCCAP members. The Crisis Nursery program is a case management program that provides quality childcare experiences as respite care for families who are facing an emergency situation that might jeopardize the safety and well-being of a child.

**Average Score: 83** 

- Project Title: Prevent Child Abuse Kansas Chapter Statewide
- Type of Application: Statewide
- Geographic Area Served: Statewide
- CBCAP Funds Requested: \$400,000

## **Abstract**

As the state's Prevent Child Abuse Kansas chapter, the Kansas Children's Service League (KCSL) seeks funding to provide statewide services and infrastructure for the prevention of child abuse and neglect. This work focuses on statewide activities that support systems change and a system of child and family well-being by providing education to professionals across the state; raising public awareness of child maltreatment prevention; promoting parent partnership, leadership and engagement, and connecting families to existing local services. This work is through the following programs with input from those with lived experience and with a focus on equity:

- Professional Education: Trauma-Informed Training (includes Period of PURPLE Crying and The Governor's Conference for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect)
- Public Awareness Campaigns: Child Abuse Prevention Campaigns
- Parent Partnership, Leadership and Engagement: Circle of Parents (includes Parent Leadership Conference and Kansas Statewide Parent Leadership Advisory Council)
- Connecting Families to Existing Local Services: 1-800-CHILDREN

## **Applicant: Pony Express Partnership for Children**

- Project Title: PCEP Family Support Program
- Type of Application: Community Based
- Geographic Area Served: Marshall & Washington Counties
- CBCAP Funds Requested: \$200,000
- Number Children/Families To Be Served: 220/100

#### **Abstract**

PEPC will provide Family Support Services to at-risk families with children ages 0-5, including prenatal supports. These services will include long-term rental assistance to homeless families and those at-risk of homelessness, home visitation with comprehensive case management, early intervention screenings, individualized parenting education, resource and referral, and quality child care for second-shift working parents. It is PEPC's goal through these supports to reduce risk factors for children, increase protective factors in families, and reduce overall child abuse and neglect in Marshall and Washington Counties. It is estimated that 100 families will receive services including 220 children, 120 of which are ages 0-5.

- Project Title: Healthy Parents, Healthy Kids
- Type of Application: Community Based
- Geographic Area Served: Wyandotte County
- CBCAP Funds Requested: \$125,300
- Number Children/Families To Be Served: 130/120

## **Abstract**

The Family Conservancy's Healthy Parents, Healthy Kids program assists families in Wyandotte County's public housing communities in adopting new, constructive ways of relating as adults within their families and community, and as parents or caregivers of young children. For the FY22 program year, Healthy Parents, Healthy Kids will serve approximately 130 children and 120 parents/caregivers living in Wyandotte County public housing communities. Healthy Parents, Healthy Kids is composed of three major components: Incredible Years® programming (parent training); Conscious Fathering classes (preparing for the challenges of fatherhood); and Child of Mine (prenatal and infant care education). Outcomes for each component of programming are tied to the Kansas Children's Cabinet Blueprint for Early Childhood as evidenced in the attached logic model.

## Applicant: Lawrence-Douglas Co. Health Dept

**Average Score: 83** 

- Project Title: Comenzando Bien
- Type of Application: Community Based
- Geographic Area Served: Douglas County
- CBCAP Funds Requested: \$173,135
- Number Children/Families to Be Served: 40 families

## **Abstract**

The Comenzando Bien program will provide care coordination/case management, prenatal education and parent support for uninsured women in Douglas County. As a result of ineligibility for Medicaid, many of these women are often forced to choose between going without prenatal care or experiencing significant debt after the birth of their baby, adding significant stress to the parenting experience. Our team will navigate the system to find low cost/no cost prenatal care, assist with enrollment documents, assist with completion of the SOBRA application and provide an interpreter as a trusted companion to accompany parents to their medical appointments. Additionally, we will offer a prenatal education and peer support class, using the Becoming a Mom curriculum. Participants will also have the option to participate in our Healthy Families of Douglas County home visiting program or receive case management. We anticipate reaching approximately 40 families annually.

## **Promising Proposals**

Applicant: Great Circle Average Score: 79

- Project Title: Families and Fathers
- Type of Application: Community Based
- Geographic Area Served: Northeast, Southeast, and Kansas City, KS
- CBCAP Funds Requested: \$139,340
- Number Children/Families To Be Served: 250/100

#### **Abstract**

Through the evidence-based practices of Nurturing Parenting and strength-based capacity building education and training, connections to resources, peer support, and a continuum of service implemented to reduce family stressors, Great Circle's Families & Fathers program will address the health, social and emotional needs of high risk, vulnerable, and isolated Kansas parents with children in the home and families expecting children, with a primary focus on fathers and male caregivers. Referred from primary care medical practices, early learning programs, school districts, mental health agencies, and faith-based entities, in urban, rural, tribal, and frontier areas, Families & Fathers will deliver services at accessible, local sites, both individually and in groups, as applicable public health mandates allow, and by implementing user-and family-friendly technology to reduce the burden of travel and significantly increase participation throughout the Northeast and Southeast regions and Kansas City, Kansas, which covers the full eastern sector of the state.

## Applicant: Community Children's Center, Inc.

- Average Score: 72
- Project Title: Early Childhood Community Center Douglas County
- Type of Application: Community Based
- Geographic Area Served: Douglas County
- CBCAP Funds Requested: \$194,395
- Number Children/Families To Be Served: 7,208

#### **Abstract**

The proposed project is the creation of an Early Childhood Community Center for Douglas County. The purpose of this community-based effort is three-fold: increasing accessibility, availability and affordability of high-quality child care spots; recruiting and retaining high-quality, trauma-informed child care providers through a professional pipeline with support services; and direct access to concrete supports for families through the creation of a robust Family Resource Center. Funding will support a core implementation team during the first year of what is anticipated to be a three-year implementation strategy. The over 7,000 Douglas County children under the age of six and their families will benefit from this multigenerational, trauma-informed, evidence-based, mixed-delivery system approach which will bolster protective factors to strengthen families and reduce the likelihood of abuse or neglect.

- **Average Score: 67**
- Project Title: Family Engagement in Libraries
- Type of Application: Community Based
- Geographic Area Served: Allen, Anderson, Bourbon, Cherokee, Crawford, Elk, Labette, Linn, Neosho, Coffee, Woodson, Wilson, Montgomery, Chautauqua, and Greenwood
- CBCAP Funds Requested: \$54,174

## **Abstract**

Public Libraries, through support from Southeast Kansas Library System (SEKLS), fill the gap of community engagement for many families. SEKLS is requesting financial support to expand and strengthen important work being undertaken in rural areas through the establishment of a replicable Family Engagement in Public Libraries model. This model provides:

- Monthly Family "Play Date at the Library!" that connects families to area professionals who have professional knowledge of all areas of child development, food security, housing assistance, and other topics relevant to, and identified by, group participants;
- Weekly Stories and Play event where a Children's Librarian models strategies for building early
  literacy and positive family-child interaction and sets expectations for and provides opportunities
  for family engagement using materials provided by the library; and
- Grow Your Brain Play Area where families can bring children to engage in whole-child activities including opportunities for children to develop through both structured and informal play.