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Project Title: Juvenile Drug Court

Status: Application Pending Submission

Narrative Information

Introduction

The purpose of this funding is to support specialty court programs as defined in Chapter 121 and Chapter 129 of the Texas Government Code.

The funding announcement, located on the [eGrants Calendar](#) page, describes the organization types, activities, and costs that are eligible under the announcement. The PSO's [eGrants User Guide to Creating an Application](#) guides applicants through the process of creating and submitting an application in eGrants. Information and guidance related to the management and use of grant funds can be found in the The PSO's Guide to Grants, located on the [PSO Resource for Applicants and Grantees](#) webpage.

Program-Specific Questions

Specialty Courts - Participant Fees

Does this specialty court collect participant fees pursuant to Sec. 123.004 of the Texas Government Code?

Yes

No

If yes, what is the current dollar amount charged to participants?

250

In the last fiscal year, how many participants were charged a fee?

5

Of those participants charged, how many paid the fee?

1

Certifications

In addition to the requirements found in existing statute, regulation, and the funding announcement, this program requires applicant organizations to certify compliance with the following:

Constitutional Compliance

Applicant assures that it will not engage in any activity that violates Constitutional law including profiling based upon race.

Information Systems

Applicant assures that any new criminal justice information systems will comply with data sharing standards for the Global Justice XML Data Model and the National Information Exchange Model.

Program Income

Applicant agrees to comply with all federal and state rules and regulations for program income and agrees to report all program income that is generated as a result of the project's activities. Applicant agrees to report program income through a formal grant adjustment and to secure PSO approval prior to use of the program income. Applicant agrees to use program income for allowable costs and agrees to expend program income immediately after PSO's approval of a grant adjustment and prior to requesting reimbursement of funds.

Deduction Method - Program income shall be deducted from total allowable costs to determine the net allowable costs. Program income shall be used for current costs unless PSO authorizes otherwise. Program income which the grantee did not anticipate at the time of the award shall be used to reduce the PSO award and grantee match rather than to increase the funds committed to the project.

Asset Seizures and Forfeitures - Program income from asset seizures and forfeitures is considered earned when the property has been adjudicated to the benefit of the plaintiff (e.g., law enforcement entity).

Twelve-Step Programs

Grant funds may not be used to support or directly fund programs such as the Twelve Step Program which courts have ruled are inherently religious. OOG grant funds cannot be used to support these programs, conduct meetings, or purchase related materials.

Criminal History Reporting

Entities receiving funds from PSO must be located in a county that has an average of 90% or above on both adult and juvenile dispositions entered into the computerized criminal history database maintained by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) as directed in the *Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, Chapter 66*. The disposition completeness percentage is defined as the percentage of arrest charges a county reports to DPS for which a disposition has been subsequently reported and entered into the computerized criminal history system.

Beginning January 1, 2021, counties applying for grant awards from the Office of the Governor must commit that the county will report at least 90 percent of convictions and other dispositions within five business days to the Criminal Justice Information System at the Department of Public Safety. Click [here](#) for additional information from DPS on this new reporting requirement.

Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR)

Eligible applicants operating a law enforcement agency must be current on reporting complete UCR data and the Texas specific reporting mandated by 411.042 TGC, to the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) for inclusion in the annual Crime in Texas (CIT) publication. To be considered eligible for funding, applicants must have submitted a full twelve months of accurate data to DPS for the most recent calendar year by the deadline (s) established by DPS. Due to the importance of timely reporting, applicants are required to submit complete and accurate UCR data, as well as the Texas-mandated reporting, on a no less than monthly basis and respond promptly to requests from DPS related to the data submitted. Note: UCR is transitioning from summary reporting to NIBRS only in 2021. Applicants are encouraged to transition to NIBRS as soon as possible in order to maintain their grant eligibility.

Specialty Court Certifications

If the applicant is a specialty court operated under Ch. 121 of the Texas Government Code, the following certifications apply:

1. The specialty court will develop and maintain written policies and procedures for the operation of the program.
2. The applicant will submit a copy of any project evaluations, evaluation plans, recidivism studies, or related reports that are completed during the grant period to PSO.

Adoption of Adult Drug Court Best Practice Standards

Applicants operating an adult drug court certify that they are working towards full compliance with and adoption of Vol. I & II of the Adult Drug Court Best Practice Standards.

Adoption of Family Drug Court Best Practice Standards

Applicants operating a family drug court certify that they are working towards full compliance with and adoption of the Family Treatment Court Best Practice Standards.

Compliance with State and Federal Laws, Programs and Procedures

Local units of government, including cities, counties and other general purpose political subdivisions, as appropriate, and institutions of higher education that operate a law enforcement agency, must comply with all aspects of the programs and procedures utilized by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") to: (1) notify DHS of all information requested by DHS related to illegal aliens in Agency's custody; and (2) detain such illegal aliens in accordance with requests by DHS. Additionally, counties and municipalities may NOT have in effect, purport to have in effect, or make themselves subject to or bound by, any law, rule, policy, or practice (written or unwritten) that would: (1) require or authorize the public disclosure of federal law enforcement information in order to conceal, harbor, or shield from detection fugitives from justice or aliens illegally in the United States; or (2) impede federal officers from exercising authority under 8 U.S.C. § 1226 (a), § 1226(c), § 1231(a), § 1357(a), § 1366(1), or § 1366(3). Lastly, eligible applicants must comply with all provisions, policies, and penalties found in Chapter 752, Subchapter C of the Texas Government Code.

Each local unit of government, and institution of higher education that operates a law enforcement agency, must download, complete and then upload into eGrants the [CEO/Law Enforcement Certifications and Assurances Form](#) certifying compliance with federal and state immigration enforcement requirements. This Form is required for each application submitted to PSO and is active until August 31, 2022 or the end of the grant period, whichever is later.

Civil Rights Liaison

A civil rights liaison who will serve as the grantee's civil rights point of contact and who will be responsible for ensuring that the grantee meets all applicable civil rights requirements must be designated. The designee will act as the grantee's liaison in civil rights matters with PSO and with the federal Office of Justice Programs.

Enter the Name of the Civil Rights Liaison:

Cynthia Jacobson

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Overall Certification

Each applicant agency must certify to the specific requirements detailed above as well as to comply with all requirements within the PSO Funding Announcement, the *Guide to Grants*, the *Grantee Conditions and Responsibilities*, any authorizing or applicable state and federal statutes and regulations to be eligible for this program.

I certify to all of the application content & requirements.

Project Abstract :

In juveniles, substance abuse can lead to lifelong addiction; higher risk of social problems, violence, and engagement in delinquent behaviors; and increased contact with the justice system. Without treatment, the effects of juvenile drug abuse can lead to serious consequences well into adulthood. Unfortunately, research shows that less than half receive treatment, as it is costly and many substance-abusing juveniles come from economically disadvantaged homes. Collin County's SOAR Program, a coordinated effort between the 417th

Judicial District Court and Collin County Juvenile Probation Services, emphasizes substance abuse treatment and rehabilitation for juvenile offenders and their families, helping them to become drug-free while residing in their own homes through a continuum of services. The program creates an individualized plan requiring substance abuse treatment, frequent drug testing, intense supervision and close monitoring by the Program Team, active family participation, work toward completion of educational goals and improved prosocial behaviors. Through maximum utilization of community resources, the program seeks to promote family stability, reduce substance abuse for participants, and successfully rehabilitate juveniles from a drug-focused environment to being a contributor to his or her local community, promoting public safety in the long term.

Problem Statement :

While drug abuse at any age can cause serious health effects, teens are at particular risk for negative consequences. Drug abuse can cause, mask, or increase the severity of emotional problems such as anxiety, depression, suicidal thoughts and schizophrenia. Juvenile substance abuse also leads to an increased risk of social problems, violence, and engagement in delinquent behaviors. Additionally, evidence supports a correlation between substance abuse and criminal behavior in youth, with substance abuse often increasing recidivism. Juveniles who abuse drugs are also more likely to struggle with addiction later in life, likely resulting in additional drug and drug-related crimes. Effective substance abuse treatment is a vital component for the overall rehabilitation efforts of juvenile offenders. Unfortunately, substance-abusing children in the juvenile justice system can be a challenging subset to treat, and less than half receive any type of substance abuse treatment. Many of these juveniles come from economically disadvantaged homes, and treatment is expensive. However, without treatment, the effects of juvenile drug abuse can lead to serious consequences well into adulthood. As a result of the prevalence of juvenile offender substance abuse, the 417th Judicial District Court Judge initiated a juvenile drug court program, Successfully Opting for Accountability and Recovery (SOAR), in January 2010 to address the substance abuse needs of juveniles. Equipped with four years of historical data and experience, the SOAR Program Team evaluated the program and implemented process changes during the summer of 2014 to improve outcomes. The changes required more intensive parent / guardian participation in the program, including additional parental participation in counseling and adult caregiver alcohol and drug testing, if needed. Participants and their families are expected to pay for their own counseling and treatment services using medical insurance and personal funds; however, this limits the number of persons able to participate. The current SOAR Program budget for treatment is minimal (\$15,458 for FY 2019) (and for FY 2020 it will be \$7,200.00). Grant funding to provide treatment for juvenile participants allows economically disadvantaged families to participate in the program by relieving families of the cost for the juvenile's treatment.

Supporting Data :

Collin County's population has more than doubled in less than the last two (2) decades alone. Collin County is one of the fastest growing counties in Texas and the country. Collin County ranks as the 6th most populous county in Texas with more than 1.01 million residents, and has the highest sustained growth rate since the last census taken in 2000 for counties with more than a half-million people. Census data shows population a population increase of 123.7% during this time period. Juveniles (under age 18) comprise 28%, resulting in the addition of hundreds of thousands of additional juveniles being added to the population. Correspondingly, law enforcement interactions with juveniles has increased, as has the need for juvenile services intervention. The number of cases adjudicated between 2000 and 2016 has more than doubled from 121 to 253. Of the 8,007 juvenile cases referred, representing 5,341 unique juveniles, between 2013 and 2018, 13.9% (n=1,115, mean =186 annually) were for alcohol or drug related charges. Approximately 1 out of every 4 (24.8%) juveniles referred each year is adjudicated. More recent data shows departmental trends for juvenile probation department having received 126 referrals which were directly drug related, with 21 (21%) of them being felony possession and/or distribution offenses in 2015. Correspondingly, in 2019 the department saw 190 directly related drug offense referrals, an increase of 66.3%. Even more alarming, an astounding 105 of the total (190 or 55.2%) were felony possession and/or distribution offenses. Vaping has become an epidemic among youth, both nationally and locally. Vaping is the use of an electronic device (electronic cigarette, e-cigarette, vaporizer, vape[s], vap pen, dab pen, or other device) to inhale substances (nicotine, marijuana, THC, THC concentrations, CBD, synthetic cannabinoids, flavorings, or other substances). According to research conducted by the Texas Department of Health Services, over 330,000 middle and high school students alone reported current e-cigarette use. This represents 13% of all Texas students. Statistics also shows E-cigarette use is three (3) times as prevalent among high school students (18.9%) as middle school students (6%). Many who have used these trending methods of consumption have experience significant health concerns including pulmonary disease with a staggering 90% of reported cases with substantiated information confirming the vaping of products containing tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), the primary psychoactive ingredient in marijuana. Of this sample of 241 confirmed cases, a staggering 24% were under the age of 18. Eighteen percent (18%) of

the cases reported using only THC products. The impact of vaping has been felt with juvenile referrals to the probation department as more and more youth are being discovered in possession of dab pens containing THC oil. Over the past two (2) years, the probation department has seen an increase of more than 50% in mandatory referrals to the department's Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program (JJAEP) for the offense of Possession of a Controlled Substance. This trend is again reflected in recent departmental data wherein felony drug referrals have increased by more than 55% from 2015 to 2019. This increase can almost exclusively be attributed to the vaping epidemic and use of THC in electronic devices. With the impact of mandatory referrals to legislative mandated JJAEP's across the state, funding for services has been dramatically impacted and some jurisdictions were literally forced to refuse admissions due to being at capacity because of this epidemic. In fiscal year 2013 through 2019, 82 participants left the SOAR Program. Of those, 46 (56%) completed the program requirements, 40 (48.7%) were terminated, 2 (2.4%) voluntarily withdrew, and 1 (1.2%) died. The program currently has six (6) participants, with a maximum capacity of 20. 1. Collin County Juvenile Probation Services reports, 2000 – 2018. 2. "Collin County QuickFacts." State and County QuickFacts. US Census Bureau. [Accessed Oct 02, 2018]. <http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/48/48085.html>. 3. "Year End Progress Report, Drug Court Grantees (180)." Final report to Texas A&M University, Public Policy Research Institute, grant number JB 2568101, Sep 2013. 4. "Year End Progress Report - Continuation Programs, Drug Court Grantees (314)." Final report to Texas A&M University, Public Policy Research Institute, grant number JB 2568102, Sep 2014. 5. "Year End Progress Report - Continuation Programs, Drug Court Grantees (314)." Final report to Texas A&M University, Public Policy Research Institute, grant number JB 258103, Sep 2015. 6. "Year End Progress Report - Continuation Programs, Drug Court Grantees (314)." Final report to Texas A&M University, Public Policy Research Institute, grant number JA 258104, Sep 2016. 7. "Year End Data Upload for 2017." Final report to Texas A&M University, Public Policy Research Institute, grant number SF 2568105, Sep 2017. 8. "Year End Data Upload for 2018." Final report to Texas A&M University, Public Policy Research Institute, grant number SF 2568106, Sep 2018. 9. Texas Health and Human Services. www.dshs.gov/vaping

Project Approach & Activities:

Effective substance abuse treatment is a vital component for juvenile offender rehabilitation. When left untreated, the effects of juvenile substance use frequently result in increased risk of delinquent behaviors leading to escalating criminal activity and progression into the adult justice system. The SOAR Program coordinates the efforts between the 417th District Court and Collin County Juvenile Probation Services (CCJPS) in supervising juvenile offender rehabilitation and meets the 16 strategies recommended by the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges for juvenile drug court programs. The SOAR Program creates an individualized plan requiring substance abuse treatment, frequent drug testing, intense supervision and close monitoring by the Program Team, and maximum utilization of community resources. The 12-24 month program consists of 4 phases plus aftercare and requires weekly meetings with the Judge and Program Team during the first and second phases (60-90 days each phase). As the participant progresses, meetings become less frequent, usually biweekly during the third and fourth phases (3-9 months) and then once per month during aftercare. The juvenile has at least 2-3 observed drug/alcohol screenings per week, with many requiring daily testing, taken at both random and scheduled times. Collin County juveniles are typically introduced to the program pre-adjudication following referral from a Program Team member, juvenile prosecutor or probation officer, school/educator, or parent/guardian. During the eligibility assessment, both juvenile and parent(s) are extensively interviewed regarding family dynamics, substance use, and short/long term goals. Unfortunately, many guardian(s) also have substance issues, and a caregiver's substance abuse problem is a "key predictor" for poor outcomes to the program's intervention. To maintain long-term positive results, changes must be made to the primary home environment. Therefore, the SOAR Program requires active participation of both the juvenile and guardian(s), requiring all parties to commit to sobriety and treatment. Program juveniles are charged a one-time participant fee of \$250. A certified substance abuse counselor assesses post-plea participants admitted to the program, and individualized treatment plans are developed to target the participants' specific needs, addressing any underlying and co-occurring disorders identified. Through various partnerships, the program provides a continuum of services to assist the juvenile and family. Depending on treatment needs, participants may be referred to in- or out-patient treatment, drug/alcohol education, mental health treatment, individual and/or family therapy. Participants are also required to continue or re-engage in prosocial activities, which have been shown to improve long-term outcomes. Treatment providers utilize a variety of treatment methods, depending on the specific circumstances, which may include Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Functional Family Therapy, Motivational Enhancement Therapy, Rational Emotive Behavior Therapy, and Multisystem Therapy. Referrals are made to a local community partner that provides individual and group support for parents and one-on-one mentoring for juveniles. Parents/guardians play a vital role in a juvenile's successful completion of drug court. As such, they are provided with information on Families Anonymous and are expected to participate in an 8-week parenting class, family counseling, and drug testing as needed. Parents must be willing to provide transportation to counseling sessions, drug testing, and court sessions, and are required to provide regular input during probation visits and drug court sessions. The Program Team

reviews each juvenile's case weekly with the Judge facilitating. Reports about school, work, rule violations, and urinalysis results are provided. Any failure to comply with the program requirements is addressed, and sanctions are recommended. Sanctions may include short detention, house arrest, curfew modification, ankle monitoring, community service, writing assignments, additional chores at home, etc. Only as a last resort is the juvenile terminated from the program and/or a probation modification filed. To advance to the next phase, participants and parents are required to complete all goals outlined in the checklist for each phase including abstaining from drug and alcohol use, passing random drug tests, attending treatment sessions, appearing at status hearings, and refraining from committing any new crimes. Graduation is scheduled after all program phases have been completed. Following graduation, Program Team members conduct exit interviews of graduates and their parents, and participants complete an evaluation/assessment of the program. Graduates are contacted at six months and one year post-program to determine their sobriety and success in other areas of their lives.

Capacity & Capabilities:

Collin County is the sixth largest county in Texas based on population and lies just northeast of the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. The county has 11 district courts, one of which (the 417th) hears all juvenile matters. Collin County Juvenile Probation Services department, with over 143 staff positions, provides probation and intensive supervision services for deferred and adjudicated juveniles, pre- and post-adjudication detention and rehabilitation services, and alternative education services for expelled juveniles. The Program Team is composed of the presiding Court Judge, Court Coordinator, and Court Reporter for the 417th Judicial Court; as well as the appointed Judicial Master and Defense Attorney, two supervising probation officers, an Assistant District Attorney, Education Liaison, and treatment providers. Each member provides support and accountability to all participants. Knowledge, skills, and abilities, as well as education and experiences vary widely across the broad-based interdisciplinary team. Position requirements vary for each team member based on his / her "primary" job duties and employer. Participation as a Program Team member is voluntary. The Judge or the Master facilitates the biweekly court hearings as the child appears with his / her parent or guardian. The Judge makes final decisions based on the Drug Court team recommendations. The Court Officer provides a law enforcement presence in the proceedings, maintaining control and structure during the court proceedings. The Court Coordinator and Court Reporter provide organization and record keeping for the drug court team. The Court Coordinator also maintains program statistics and expenses. The defense attorney has the responsibility of protecting the rights and legal interest of the juvenile participant. The ADA prosecutor provides a balance with the defense counsel to ensure community protection is maintained. The Drug Court Coordinator along with Juvenile Probation Liaison reviews the referrals for appropriateness for the program. The defense counsel and prosecuting attorney also work with the Court Coordinator in reviewing referrals. The Coordinator or Juvenile Probation Liaison also attends adjudication hearings, makes recommendations to the court, and assists with the coordination of scheduling of plea / disposition dates and program orientation. The CCJPS Deputy Director helps to facilitate services with other members of the community and the juvenile probation department and provides access to the probation database, Juvenile Case Management System (JCMS). The Education Liaison helps facilitate readmission into local school programs as well as Serenity High. She, as a certified drug counselor, also provides treatment referrals and support. Various treatment providers attend drug court in order to report on the progress, or lack thereof, of the drug court participants. They are also instrumental in providing information regarding parental support and participation as well as provide recommendations for rewards and sanctions. CCJPS Probation Officers provide intensive supervision, including home and school visits, 24-7 drug testing, and can provide confinement at the detention facility if necessary for sanctions. They provide case management, monitor the behavior of the participants while outside of court, and serve as program gatekeepers. Additionally, they work with other departmental probation officers to identify potential program participants. As SOAR participants are considered a higher-risk, higher needs population, the assigned probation officers maintain lower caseloads than non-SOAR probation officers, allowing them additional time to ensure the most aggressive and comprehensive community-based supervision for SOAR participants pursuant to the program. Successful drug court intervention relies heavily on the effectiveness of the Program Team. Continuing education and professional development ensure a more successful team and program. As such, team members attend state and national conferences and training as allowed by schedules and budgets. Team members employed by Collin County generally attend the Texas Association of Drug Court Professionals (TADCP) Annual Drug Court Training Conference each year and frequently attend the National Association of Drug Court Professionals Conference. The District Judge who oversees the program has attended National Association of Drug Court Professionals conferences, National Drug Court Institute trainings, Texas Association of Drug Court Professionals (TADCP) conferences, and Family Drug Court trainings among others over the past decade. Team members are expected to maintain a current knowledge base for a variety of juvenile, drug court, and treatment processes. Outpatient treatment is provided by a licensed professional employed by a treatment agency specializing in substance abuse located in Collin County. The organization has been operational for 10 years and utilizes a unique treatment approach ranging from the latest in evidence-based therapy to music and art therapy. SOAR participants receive treatment from a Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor. Inpatient treatment is provided by licensed and accredited substance abuse treatment facilities

employing licensed, professional staff. The facilities, which have been operational for at least 20 years each, specialize in serving adolescents with substance abuse and co-occurring issues.

Performance Management :

Goal: Promote family stability, reduce substance abuse and recidivism, and successfully rehabilitate juveniles from a drug-focused environment to being a contributor to his or her local community, advancing long-term public safety. Objectives: 1. Achieve graduation/program completion rate of 70%. 2. Demonstrate maximum re-offense rate of 20% for program graduates 6 months following program completion. Measures: 1. Assess 20 juveniles for eligibility to participate in the program. 2. Provide counseling and treatment services for 10 program participants. 3. Reduce substance abuse behaviors for 70% of program participants. Program evaluation consists of four elements. The first will be an evaluation by each graduate, either in verbal or written form, assessing the program in relevant and age-appropriate language to encourage candor and completeness. Secondly, Program Team members will conduct exit interviews of graduates and their parents. Additionally, the Program Team formally assesses the program on an annual basis, as well as informally through continuous feedback. The final element will be a follow-up of each graduate six months and one year after graduation to determine their sobriety and success in other areas of their lives. The SOAR Program has the capacity to handle approximately 20 juvenile participants at any given time. As the program runs continually, with new juveniles being assessed and others either graduating or terminating from the program, the number of individual participants served in a year can easily exceed this number. All program juveniles are regularly monitored; drug tested, and participate in treatment and aftercare. Most participants utilize their own family medical insurance and personal funding as needed for program expenses; however, not all families can afford it. Therefore, grant funding will be utilized to provide treatment for 10 individuals. These are the 10 individuals reflected in the Output Performance Measures table, which is reflective of the grant-funded services. Program data will be collected and reported for all program participants and program services, not just those utilizing grant funding. The Collin County Juvenile Probation Services department utilizes Juvenile Case Management System (JCMS) to collect, report, and manage program data. JCMS is a comprehensive, web-based technology solution that developed as a collaborative effort between the Texas Juvenile Justice Department (TJJD), the Texas Conference of Urban Counties and several local juvenile probation departments. JCMS provides enhanced productivity tools and data sharing capabilities; strong security and data integrity; and built-in interfaces with other entities involved in the juvenile justice system. JCMS provides timely and complete information on juvenile offenders to local juvenile probation departments, prosecutors, judges, treatment professionals and TJJD staff to encourage accurate and appropriate disposition and rehabilitative decisions. Data to be collected on SOAR Program participants includes referral type and disposition, age, gender, racial/ethnic background, family information, program violations, drug testing results, and program start and completion dates. Additionally, the program tracks the number of participants who graduate or earn a GED while in the program and the number of juveniles enrolled and/or employed at the time of program completion.

Target Group :

The SOAR Program accepts referrals for juveniles, aged between 14 and 17 years, who reside in Collin County and demonstrate a need for intensive supervision and substance abuse treatment, were adjudicated for an offense other than delivery of a controlled substance or violent offense, and have a caring adult willing to actively participate in the program. Many factors put youth at risk for delinquency, including individual (antisocial attitudes and behaviors, substance use, low empathy, low school achievement, negative life events such as past abuse), family (socioeconomic status, low parental involvement / neglect, abusive and/or antisocial parents, familial substance abuse), peer group (weak social ties, delinquent peers) and community issues (cultural influences). More than 8,000 cases were referred to CCJPS between 2013 and 2018. These cases represent 5,341 unique juveniles, which means CCJPS has contact with nearly 900 juveniles each year. The SOAR Program has served 82 unique juveniles over the past 7 fiscal years. Of those, 46 (56%) have successfully completed the program. As substance abusers, all program participants are considered high risk and high need. Requested funding will be able to provide counseling/treatment for 10 SOAR Program participants who would otherwise be unable to afford treatment.

Evidence-Based Practices:

Since beginning in the 1990s, over 400 juvenile drug courts have been established in the United States, and many programs have been analyzed for effectiveness since then. Juvenile drug courts are problem-solving courts for substance-abusing juveniles in need of specialized treatment services with the goal of reducing recidivism and substance abuse. A team of professionals, including court personnel and other treatment and social service providers, administers juvenile drug courts. The Collin County SOAR Program recognizes the importance in incorporating current theory, best practice, and evidence-based service delivery. As such, the

program staff maintains an updated knowledge base through research and training, informally reviews the program on a continual basis, and formally reviews the program annually; changes are made as needed. The SOAR Program blends the most effective practices from the Juvenile Drug Courts with Contingency Management and Multisystemic Therapy, Utah Juvenile Drug Courts, and Maine Juvenile Drug Treatment Court evidence-based programs which have been rated "Promising" by the National Institute of Justice CrimeSolutions.gov website, as well as the Suffolk County (NY) Drug Treatment Court, which is rated "Effective". Additionally, the program meets the Juvenile Diversion Programs and Juvenile Drug Courts evidence-based practice criteria, both of which have been rated "Promising". In addition, treatment providers work closely with juvenile offenders and their families to target substance use and related problem behaviors. These providers utilize a variety of treatment methods, depending on the specific circumstances, which may include Cannabis Youth Treatment (MET/CBT), Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT), Functional Family Therapy (FFT), Motivational Enhancement Therapy (MET), and Multisystemic Therapy. All five of these are Oregon Addiction and Mental Health Division approved evidence-based practices for substance abuse. Functional Family Therapy and Multisystemic Therapy have both been rated "Effective" by the National Institute of Justice CrimeSolutions.gov website, are "Effective" Office of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention model programs, and are Blueprints for Healthy Youth Development "Model" and "Model Plus" programs, respectively. Additionally, a recent meta-analysis examining the effects of substance use treatment programs on adolescent populations concluded "family therapy and CBT programs showed particular promise of effectiveness" and recommended "juvenile drug courts refer youth to substance treatment programs that use family therapy, MET, or CBT treatment modalities." Cannabis Youth Treatment (MET/CBT) is comprised of motivational enhancement therapy and cognitive behavioral therapy sessions to motivate clients to change and provide skills to cope with problems that do not involve turning to illegal substances. Cognitive Behavioral Therapy is based on the idea that our thoughts cause our feelings and behaviors and focuses on development of personal coping strategies. The goal is to teach clients that while they cannot control the world around them, they can take control of how they interpret and deal with the things in their environment. Functional Family Therapy is a family-based prevention and intervention program for high-risk youth that addresses complex and multidimensional problems through clinical practice that is flexibly structured and culturally sensitive. The clinical model concentrates on decreasing risk factors and on increasing protective factors that directly affect adolescents, with a particular emphasis on familial factors. Motivational Enhancement Therapy aims to elicit intrinsic motivation to change substance abuse and other behaviors by evoking the client's own motivation and commitment to change. This therapy focuses on increasing intrinsic motivation by raising awareness of a problem, adjusting any self-defeating thoughts regarding the problem, and increasing confidence in one's ability to change. Multisystemic Therapy aims to enhance a families' capacity to keep track of adolescent behavior and instill clear rewards and punishments for positive and negative or irresponsible behavior. This model frequently concentrates on reducing youths' involvement in delinquent and substance-using behavior and replacing negative peers with prosocial peers who do not engage in problem behavior. Therapists concentrate on developing family structure and natural rewards or incentives to encourage desired healthy behaviors and attachment to prosocial peers.

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Project Activities Information

Introduction

This section contains questions about your project. It is very important for applicants to review their funding announcement for guidance on how to fill out this section. Unless otherwise specified, answers should be about the EXPECTED activities to occur during the project period.

Selected Project Activities:

ACTIVITY	PERCENTAGE:	DESCRIPTION
Specialty Court - Juvenile	100.00	Collin County’s SOAR Program assists juvenile participants with substance abuse rehabilitation to become drug-free while residing in their own homes. The program coordinates the efforts between the 417th Judicial District Court and the Collin County Juvenile Probation Services (CCJPS) department in supervising juvenile offender rehabilitation as they complete treatment under the direct supervision of their parents/guardians. The SOAR Program creates an individualized plan requiring substance abuse treatment, frequent drug testing, intense supervision and close monitoring by the Program Team, completion of educational goals, and maximum utilization of community resources.

CJD Purpose Areas

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Project Title: Juvenile Drug Court
Status: Application Pending Submission

Budget Details Information
Budget Information by Budget Line Item:

CATEGORY	SUB CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	OOG	CASH MATCH	IN-KIND MATCH	GPI	TOTAL	UNIT/%
Contractual and Professional Services	Substance Abuse-Related Case Management, Counseling, Outpatient, and/or Treatment Services	Intensive and Supportive Outpatient Program (IOP and SOP) treatment/counseling (3-4 times/week) for 8 juvenile program participants at \$3,125 per juvenile (\$3,125 x 8 juveniles = \$25,000). This is a flat fee per juvenile with no hourly rates associated with the cost. The service is set at a flat rate.	\$25,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	0
Contractual and Professional Services	Substance Abuse-Related Case Management, Counseling, Outpatient, and/or Treatment Services	Inpatient residential treatment for 30-45 days for 2 juvenile program participants at \$12,500 per juvenile (\$12,500 x 2 juveniles = \$25,000). This is a flat fee per juvenile with no hourly rates associated with the cost. The service is set at a flat rate.	\$25,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	0

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