

ALABAMA
FY 04; Funding 03

NETWORKS	FUNDED PROGRAMS	EMPHASIS ON NEW AREAS OF SERVICE and RESPITE/CRISIS CARE
<p>The network is described.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The lead agency (CTF) has developed a large statewide network that supports the development, operation, expansion and continuation of services to community-based, prevention focused, family resource and support programs. ▪ The CTF network of community-based family resource and support programs consists of local, collaborative, public-private nonprofit service providers, individuals and organizations experienced in working with families of children with disabilities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Parenting education and support ▪ Home visitation ▪ Non-School based – After School ▪ School-based – After School ▪ Fatherhood ▪ Respite ▪ Mentoring ▪ Healthy Marriage and Community Awareness Programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ New and continued respite care programs, family resource services and program expansions increased services to families and increased the number of families served in each local community.
DESCRIPTION OF NUMBER OF FAMILIES SERVED	EVALUATION AND QUANTITATIVE SERVICE INFORMATION	INNOVATIVE FUNDING MECHANISMS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The lead agency collects data for a programmatic reporting system which allows grantees to provide information that represents the number of families served, including families with disabilities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Programs are required to administer Consumer Satisfaction Surveys to their participants. Each site designs a survey based on the services provided at their individual sites. The information is then used for program improvement and development. ▪ CTF began the 2003-04 year by implementing an outcome-based measurement system for the evaluation of all programs. The system is based on the United Way Model. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CTF continues its partnership with the Corporate Foundation for Children (CFC), a private, not-for-profit organization focusing on the prevention of child abuse and neglect. The CFC receives additional state dollars from CTF State's Tobacco settlement funds. ▪ The CTF has begun a new partnership with a local nonprofit organization (George Teague and Friends, Inc.) CTF put on the first ever celebrity golf tournament to raise funds for child abuse prevention.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CTF is partnering with the Alabama Association of Realtors to promote their tag and all proceeds go directly to CTF.
PEER REVIEW	PARENT LEADERSHIP	LINKAGES WITH OTHER SYSTEMS (CHILD WELFARE, PSSF, ETC.)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CTF conducts at least one site visit annually of all programs within the network of community-based, prevention focused programs. The purpose of the on-site visit is to monitor, evaluate and observe the implementation of the program and provide technical assistance and to review reporting requirements as established by the Board to ensure programmatic and fiscal accountability. CTF is revising their peer review process. The new process will ensure that all community-based, prevention focused Family Resource Centers, home visitation programs and respite programs will receive a peer review every 24 months. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents are encouraged to serve as community representatives with the understanding that their input is valuable and needed. Parents serve on local Boards of Directors, advisory committees and peer reviews. Parents are also required to complete satisfaction surveys and provide feedback to each of the sites for program improvement. CTF has also sponsored Annual Parent Meetings to allow parents to realize their value, role and responsibility to their community, children and state. CTF encourages parent meetings to allow parents to realize their value, role, and responsibility to their community, children and state. The set up for parent meetings will change in the next grant year. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the past, the lead agency has worked collaboratively with the Department of Human Resources (Safe and Stable Families) in the conducting of Peer Reviews.

OTHER ELEMENTS:

State Allowable Claims:	\$	500,000
Population-Based Allocations:	\$	296,290
Leveraged-Funds-Based Allocations:	\$	16,059
Final State Allocations:	\$	312,349

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