

KENTUCKY
FY 04; Funding 03

NETWORKS	FUNDED PROGRAMS	EMPHASIS ON NEW AREAS OF SERVICE and RESPITE/CRISIS CARE
<p>The Network is described and includes information on goals and structure.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The goal of the Regional Network is to strengthen local communities and provide information to the regions through quarterly meetings and various training opportunities. ▪ As Regional Networks continue to provide collaboration for communities, some networks and many programs have formed advisory boards or councils to identify and respond to specific community needs. ▪ Regional Networks have become more diverse to better reflect the community and to provide a larger scope of service to families. ▪ Regional Networks continue to work to involve parents in decision-making. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ In-home Support Service Aides ▪ Respite and emergency drop-in child care ▪ Child and family advocate program to address child sexual abuse ▪ Universal Home Visitation ▪ Parent Education ▪ Transitional Housing for Victims of Domestic Violence ▪ In-home therapeutic services ▪ Community-based family support services ▪ Chemical dependency services ▪ Home visitation ▪ Counseling and support services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Respite and crisis nurseries are available to families with children with and without disabilities. ▪ There are plans to expand respite care and crisis nurseries in some counties that have few opportunities for parents through a contract with an existing agency.
DESCRIPTION OF NUMBER OF FAMILIES SERVED	EVALUATION AND QUANTITATIVE SERVICE INFORMATION	INNOVATIVE FUNDING MECHANISMS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ During the reporting period, 3858 new families and 5,109 new children were served in addition to the families that were served during the previous year. ▪ Forty-eight programs across the state were funded. Most of the families were at risk of abuse and neglect, lived in poverty or were in need and requested services. ▪ Many families were culturally diverse, including people of varied genders, age, race, geographical differences and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Programs use a variety of means to evaluate services and include families in the planning and implementation of programs in their region. ▪ Programs use parent satisfaction surveys, exit interviews, focus groups and parent testimonials. ▪ Parents have reported a high level of satisfaction by verbally sharing personal stories and handwritten thank you notes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The lead agency promotes the innovative use of resources at the community level through requirements within the Request for Proposal (RFP) that mandate collaborative partners; through technical assistance and support; promoting no cost/low cost resource sharing and development. ▪ Cross training opportunities bring people together, increase capacity and exposure to the sharing of resources and promoting new programming ideas.

educational backgrounds.		
PEER REVIEW	PARENT LEADERSHIP	LINKAGES WITH OTHER SYSTEMS (CHILD WELFARE, PSSF, ETC.)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ During the reporting period, a peer review committee was formed to refine the peer review process. ▪ The committee of parents, Regional Coordinators, community partners and Cabinet staff worked to be the conduit of information, monitor the process and refine the Peer Review Tool. ▪ Regional Networks found the self-assessment tool to be an excellent communication device for members to share strengths and challenges. ▪ Both the home and visiting teams felt that parent involvement was vital to the success of the Regional Networks. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Grantees are required to demonstrate that parental involvement is included in the planning, implementation and evaluation process. The application for regional funds application states that the composition of the Regional Network must include a 20% representation of parents. Parental participation in the regional networks may include fees for travel, child-care and stipends per diem. ▪ Training in many areas have been made available to parents. ▪ Peer review of the regional networks requires that parents be involved in all aspects of the process. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The lead agency continues to facilitate seamless funding and reporting for CBCAP and PSSF. The funding is coordinated at the state level to further blend activities that address locally identified needs and utilize Cabinet outcomes. The two joint funding streams create Community Collaboration for Children (CCC). Collaboration, parental involvement and outcome-based programming and evaluation are integrated into the application process and within the networks.

OTHER ELEMENTS:

- As a result of the Child and Family Services Review, all services funded by CBCAP will align with stated outcomes for the Program Improvement Plans. This is an effort to assist in the outcomes required of all child welfare agencies.
- In an effort to encourage regions to develop fatherhood initiatives in local communities, each of the service regions in the state was given a small stipend of CBCAP funding to increase fatherhood activities.

State Allowable Claims:	\$ 51,791,146
Population-Based Allocations:	\$ 249,316
Leveraged-Funds-Based Allocations:	\$ 1,782,510
Final State Allocations:	\$ 2,031,826

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