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NETWORKS	FUNDED PROGRAMS	EMPHASIS ON NEW AREAS OF SERVICE and RESPITE/CRISIS CARE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Idaho Children’s Trust Fund operates through three major networks: regional panels that review and recommend funding of grant applications; grantees; and child abuse prevention awareness groups. • The ICTF board meets quarterly to set policy, discuss statewide prevention issues and needs, conduct site visits to funded programs, and to solicit and review yearly grant proposal and to award contracts. • Funded programs are required to coordinate and collaborate with other public and private entities and to include letters of commitment with their grant proposals thereby promoting networking activities at local levels. • ICTF partnered with the Idaho Association for the Education of Young Children (Idaho AEYC) and Idaho STARS to promote strengthening families principles in child care settings. • ICTF maintains ongoing relationships with the Governor’s office, the Department of Health & Welfare, the state court system, legislators and other agencies and organizations concerned with the welfare of children and families. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICTF reports eight categories of CBCAP funded programs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respite Care to families who are raising children with a mental health diagnosis or disability. • Infants and toddlers that are involved in substantiated cases of child abuse and neglect. • CBCAP funds have been expended on programs for traditionally underserved populations, specifically Tribal and Hispanic families, rural families, and families of children with disabilities. • Family Support grants fund parenting classes in rural communities, support groups for families of children with disabilities, an Annual Health Fair for Spanish speaking families, and Circle of Parents. • Head Start programs received training in Strengthening Families and Building Protective Factors. • Parent education, the child abuse prevention strategy receiving the most ICTF funding, is included in 15 of the 20 funded projects. • Outreach/Referral includes the 211 Idaho CareLine and a link to an award-winning website. • Two faith-based projects served low income families. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICTF has increased grant funding to meet the needs of the most underserved populations in the state: Latino and Tribal families; and families with children and/or parents with disabilities. • Because Idaho is a state whose population resides largely in rural areas, ICTF awarded eight of 20 mini-grants to rural areas. • Respite care was a special initiative during Fiscal Year 2006 with ICTF funding a multi-year grant to provide respite care in a rural community. • Two of the seven Health & Welfare regions in the state have developed a system for families to access respite care. • Children’s Mental Health and the Idaho Respite Coalition are actively involved in working to provide respite care to families who are raising children with mental health diagnoses.

DESCRIPTION OF NUMBER OF FAMILIES SERVED	EVALUATION AND QUANTITATIVE SERVICE INFORMATION	TRAINING and TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CBCAP programs with grants ending June 30, 2006 served: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1,682 total families • 679 minority families • 1,202 total children • 672 minority children • 2,532 total adults • 1,022 minority adults • 83 adults with disabilities • 165 children with disabilities • ICTF continually focuses on outreach activities for special populations including: Multi-year grants to programs that address the needs of underserved populations in Idaho including Hispanic families, Tribal populations, families with a parent or child with a disability, and rural populations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All grantees must develop logic models and short term, intermediate and long term outcomes for their child abuse prevention projects. All grantees receive training on Logic Models and Outcome Accountability, and ICTF logic model and evaluation materials coordinate with the FRIENDS Evaluation Toolkit and Logic Model Builder. Examples of evaluation outcomes follow. • In one FIRST STEPS program, 100% of all families at one medical center received a FIRST STEPS visit; 80% of participants registered for follow-up phone calls and support; and 50% registered for the Ages and Stages developmental screenings. • In ICARE parenting classes 97% of parents stated they would recommend the program to others. Referrals confirm that parents are making recommendations. • In Parents Reaching Out to Parents, 98% of families of children with disabilities attending stated they will continue to attend and use the support services offered. • In El Valor de Los Padres – The Value of Parents Program, parents have maintained attendance in the program for between 15 months and 3 years. On a 7-point Likert scale, parents reported a 2 point increase in setting appropriate limits with children; a 1.8 point increase in knowledge of typical behavior for the age of their child and a 1.2 increase in their ability to keep their child safe and healthy. • In Parenting Partners, 100% of parents stated that respite care reduced the chance they may hurt their child; 93% learned new positive discipline skills; and 100% reported identifying two additional community resources to help them. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individualized technical assistance is offered to Mini Grantees in conjunction with required mid-year and final grant reporting. • Multi-year Grantees are offered training and technical assistance in two main areas: Outcome Accountability (program evaluation, logic models and outcomes) and Sustainability Planning for non-profits looking at eight elements of sustainability planning. • ICTF offered the <i>Darkness to Light</i> “Stewards of Children” training reaching approximately 700 participants throughout the state. • ICTF offered technical assistance to Idaho’s seven Health and Welfare regions helping them form workgroups to plan child abuse prevention events and media campaigns. • ICTF together with Idaho AEYC and Idaho STARS offered Strengthening Families through Early Care and Education training and technical assistance to 120 key stakeholders in a project funded by the National Alliance for Children’s Trust & Prevention. • ICTF hosts an annual two-day Strengthening Families to Prevent Child Abuse and Neglect Conference featuring nationally recognized speakers on prevention of child abuse and neglect, and attended by approximately 175 people.

INNOVATIVE FUNDING MECHANISMS	PEER REVIEW	PARENT LEADERSHIP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICTF in its role as lead agency uses CBCAP and private donations for funding. No state dollars are received (as a condition of the state statute that created the Trust Fund), but additional funds are generated through a "check off" donation box on the Idaho state income tax form. The "check off" is advertised in multiple ways including TV and radio PSAs, posters, the ICTF newsletter, mass emails, and direct mail. • ICTF deposits half of all private donations (\$88,000 was donated in FY 2005) into the Trust Funds Long Term Interest Account in the State Treasurer's Office, and interest earned is used to fund grants. The remaining half is spent immediately to fund Mini- and Multi-Year grants. • Projects that demonstrate diverse funding sources and integrated service delivery are given priority for funding in the ICTF grant review process. • A newly developed partnership between ICTF and Idaho AEYC blends federal, state, local and foundation funds to support the Strengthening Families Through Early Care and Education project. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An informal peer review process focused on sharing ideas for Sustainability Planning and Program Implementation related to these new grants. During this time grantees shared ideas and challenges related to each of their programs. Results from these discussions included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help, Inc. shared a Public Relations Plan and a Fundraising Plan amongst all grantees that could be used as a possible template for their work. • Shepherd's Home, Inc. shared their use of online parenting education classes as a strategy to reach rural parents. Possibly as a result of this information, enrollment numbers have increased this fall in these online classes. • Palouse Industries/Young Children and Families of the Palouse have re-defined the appropriate boundaries and practices for their home educators based on input from other grantees. • All of the grantees shared ideas on involving community stakeholders in their planning process. Since that time, grantees have increased the involvement of community members in their programs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ICTF Grants Manager has increased the amount of training on parent leadership provided to grantees and changed the term "Parent Leadership" to "Partnering with Parents" which they report has resulted in a better understanding of the concept by grantees and a truer implementation of the principles by parents and programs. • Parent participation in program planning, implementation and evaluation is a requirement for program grantees, and final grantee reports must include a description of parent participation activities. • Parent Leadership is one of the core principles taught to early childhood professionals through the Strengthening Families Through Early Care and Education project. In a two-day training for this project, trainers from the Center for the Study of Social Policy and the National Alliance for Trust & Prevention presented information on how to partner with parents for effective family support and prevention activities. • Thirty-nine Parents as Teachers programs operate throughout the state.

LINKAGES WITH OTHER SYSTEMS (CHILD WELFARE, PSSF, ETC.)	OTHER ELEMENTS:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Family Advocate Program/CASA Training for Volunteer Attorneys was an ICTF-funded Mini-grant that trained attorneys in the Child Protection System in order to recruit volunteer attorneys for the Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Program. • The ICTF Executive Director served as a member on the Safety Subcommittee of Idaho's Program Improvement Plan committee. The committee worked to prepare the State Program Improvement Plan that was submitted to ACF Region X. • ICTF is now a provisional chapter of Prevent Child Abuse America. • ICTF maintains ongoing relationships with the Governor's Office, other bureaus within the Department of Health & Welfare, the state court system, legislators and many other agencies and organizations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Systems change activities included ICTF's work with Idaho AEYC and Idaho STARS on the Strengthening Families Through Early Care and Education project which will institutionalize child abuse prevention strategies in child care settings throughout the state. As part of this model, the Five Protective Factors have been included in the Quality Rating System, ensuring that the approach will be taught and utilized for years to come. • The Multi-Year Grant Program incorporated Sustainability Planning as part of grant requirements thereby creating a foundation for strong prevention programs in the future. Sustainability Planning includes eight elements: vision; results orientation; strategic financing; adaptability to changing conditions; key champions; broad base of community support; strong internal systems, and a written sustainability plan. • ICTF is working with all of their network partners to raise awareness of the need for child abuse prevention by offering information and education in grant program workshops. 	

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