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Chapter 98-1. GRANT PROGRAM.

Rule 98-1-.01. Children's Trust Fund.

- (1) **Purpose of Program.** The purpose of the fund is to support the establishment of community-based educational and service programs designed to reduce the occurrence of child abuse and neglect, to support research programs related to the prevention of child abuse and neglect and to develop and strengthen community child abuse and neglect prevention networks.
- (2) **Terms and Conditions.** Applicants must complete the application provided by the Children's Trust Fund Commission and follow the guidelines stated in the application instructions. The applicant must meet all eligibility criteria and agree to adhere to the contractual requirements stated in the Request for Proposals published by the Commission.
- (3) **Eligible Recipients.** An applying group must be either:
 - (a) Private nonprofit organization with fully documented federal tax exempt [501(c)(3)] status; or
 - (b) Public (government) agency applying in partnership with another public agency or as a member of a community coalition, collaboration or partnership that includes either a nonprofit [501(c)(3)] organization or another public agency.
 - (c) All hospitals and medical centers are considered public agencies for the purposes of this grant program.
- (4) **Criteria for Award.** Applications are reviewed by the 15 member Commission. Applications are judged on the need for the program within the community, the extent to which the program provides prevention services, program design, clarity of program outcome objectives for participants, appropriateness of proposed activities to result in the stated outcomes, utilization of volunteers, evaluation design, organizational soundness and ability to deliver quality service, planning for program self-sufficiency, appropriateness of program costs including the amount requested from CTF, and adequacy and quality of local match.
 - (a) It is the general policy of the Children's Trust Fund Commission to fund child abuse prevention programs for a period of up to a maximum of three years. Agencies are expected to seek other sources of funding to support their programs on a long term basis. In some instances where there are extenuating circumstances affecting program continuation, the Commission may consider funding beyond the third year.
 - (b) Recommendations of the Commission must be approved by the Governor.
- (5) **Directions and Deadlines for Applying.** Request for Proposals are mailed in July to all current grantees, former grantees, unsuccessful applicants and organizations requesting applications during the previous two years. RFPs are distributed throughout the year upon

request. Applications are accepted twice each year. Postmark deadlines are September 1 and March 1. Should either day fall on a weekend or a holiday, the accepted postmark is the next business day following September 1 and March 1. Only fully complete applications are accepted. Contract start dates for new grants are December 1 and June 1. Disbursements are made through a reimbursement process requiring both financial and programmatic reporting.

(a) Requests for information and applications should be made to the Children's Trust Fund Commission, Two Northside 75, Suite 240, Atlanta, Georgia 30318, 404-352-6050.

Cite as Ga. Comp. R. & Regs. R. 98-1-.01 Authority: O.C.G.A. Sec. <u>19-14-1</u>.

History. Original description entitled "Children's Trust Fund" submitted January 10, 1994.

Rule 98-1-.02. The Georgia Children and Elderly Fund.

- (1) **Purpose of Program.** The Children and Elderly Fund was established by the Georgia General Assembly in 1992. The Fund is a mechanism by which Georgia tax payers can designate a reduction in the refund check otherwise payable, or contribute any amount over and above the amount of tax owed by adding that amount to the taxpayer's payment, for the purpose of providing funds for home delivered meals and transportation services for the elderly and for programs for preschool children with special needs. A taxpayer could donate to the Fund beginning with the 1993 tax filing.
 - (a) Funds available must be divided equally between services for children and the elderly. Preschoolers with special needs are children birth to age six who require more than routine and basic care. These include children with disabilities and handicapping conditions, chronic illnesses, health-related educational or behavior problems, and children at risk for all these conditions. These children may require specific services or treatment in order to reach their unique individual potential.
- (2) **Terms and Conditions.** Applicants must complete the application provided by the Children's Trust Fund Commission and follow the guidelines stated in the application instructions. The applicant must meet all eligibility criteria and agree to adhere to the contractual requirements stated in the Request for Proposals published annually.
- (3) **Eligible Recipients.** An applying group must be either:
 - (a) Private nonprofit organization with fully documented federal tax exempt [501(c)(3)] status; or
 - (b) Public (government) agency applying in partnership with another public agency or as a member of a community coalition, collaboration or partnership that includes either a nonprofit [501(c)(3)] organization or another public agency.

- (c) Organizations must be comprised on individuals or groups with expertise in providing services for preschool children with special needs.
- (4) **Criteria for Award.** Applications are reviewed by a review committee named by the Commissioner of the Department of Human Resources annually. Proposals may address any of the following: protecting children, preventing child abuse and neglect, providing access to health care, linking families with needed resources, strengthening families, enhancing child development, promoting and enhancing parenting skills and providing family support services.
 - (a) Applications are rated on the following six criteria:
 - 1. Concept and Need for the Program.
 - 2. Program Theory and Design.
 - 3. Program Evaluation.
 - 4. Organizational Capacity.
 - 5. Use of Funds.
 - 6. Community/Local Commitment and Collaboration.
 - (b) Funds are awarded for a one year period of time with renewal possible up to three years depending upon the availability of funds and the filing of acceptable financial and program reports.
- (5) **Directions and Deadlines for Applying.** Requests for Proposals are available upon request February 1. The postmark deadline for submitting an application is June 1. Only fully complete applications are accepted. Contract start dates for new grants are September 1. Disbursements are made through a reimbursement process requiring both financial and programmatic reporting.
 - (a) Requests for information and applications should be made to the Children's Trust Fund Commission, Two Northside 75, Suite 240, Atlanta, Georgia 30318, 404-352-6050.

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