

MARYLAND JUDICIARY

93.586 STATE COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (FCCIP Basic/Training/Data)

Program Description: Assists state courts in performing their role in the continuum of care provided for families and children at risk. Provides state courts with the flexibility to design assessments that identify barriers to timely and effective decision-making, highlight practices that are not fully successful, examine areas they determine are in need of correction or added attention, and implement reforms that address state courts' specific needs.

Formula Description: Each state court system that submits an approved application was allotted a specific amount of funding. In addition to this base amount, the remainder of the amount appropriated for all state courts is divided among the courts that submitted approved applications according to each state's proportionate share of children under the age of 21. If any state court systems do not apply for their share of these funds, the unclaimed amount will be reallocated each year to all other state court systems that submitted approved applications. The nonfederal share (or match) required is 25% of the total budget.

16.013 OVW COURT TRAINING AND IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (Judicial Education Project)

Program Description: Through this award, the Maryland Judiciary will work with the National Judicial Institute on Domestic Violence (NJIDV) to bring their Enhancing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases Workshop and advanced training, Continuing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases program to Maryland judges in the Summer of 2017. This program will be held at the Judiciary's training facility in Annapolis to reach the maximum number of participants.

Formula Description: No formula; competitive grant application and review.

STATE JUSTICE INSTITUTE (Compr. Cost Analysis ADR Phase III/ Adult Guardianship)

Program Description: Improves the administration of justice in the state courts of the United States by awarding grants to state courts, national organizations that support and are supported by state courts, national judicial education organizations, and other organizations that can assist in improving the quality of justice in the state courts. Supports research, demonstrations, special projects, technical assistance, and training; provides for the preparation, publication, and dissemination of information regarding state judicial systems; participate in joint projects with Federal agencies and other private grantors; evaluate or funds the evaluation of programs and projects to determine their impact upon the quality of criminal, civil, and juvenile justice and the

extent to which they have contributed to improving the quality of justice in the state courts; encourages and assists in furthering judicial education; and encourages, assists, and serves in a consulting capacity to state and local justice system agencies in the development, maintenance, and coordination of criminal, civil, and juvenile justice programs and services.

Formula Description: Grants must be matched at least dollar for dollar by recipients. Grantees may contribute the required cash match directly or in cooperation with third parties.

**16.585 MARYLAND STATEWIDE ADULT DRUG COURT
(Drug Court Comparatative Analysis)**

Program Description: Funds will be used to conduct a statewide comparative analysis of adult drug courts and to support efforts to reach or expand the capacity of existing adult drug courts in four jurisdictions to reduce crime and substance abuse among high-risk nonviolent offenders with high drug treatment needs.

Formula Description: No formula; competitive grant application and review.

**16.585 MARYLAND STATEWIDE ADULT DRUG COURT
(Bureau of Justice Assistance)**

Program Description: This grant provided the means to partner with the National Center for State Courts (NCSC) to develop and implement performance measures for Maryland's Adult Drug Courts. This project has four objectives:

1. To identify evidence-based performance measures that are appropriate for the context of Maryland
2. To document the performance measures in a reference document
3. To identify performance targets (or "benchmarks") for each measure
4. To provide training to drug court personnel which will enable them to utilize the performance measures for managing the performance of their courts

To accomplish the first objective, OPSC will identify and convene a select group of drug court professionals and stakeholders for a two-day meeting to consider recommendations made in advance by NCSC and modify them as needed for the context of Maryland's adult drug courts. The second objective will be accomplished by the production of a manual that will describe each measure in detail, justify its selection, identify required data, and clearly delineate any required calculations. To accomplish the third objective, Maryland will identify and again convene the advisory group for a second two day meeting to consider recommendations made in advance by NCSC and modify them as needed for the context of Maryland. To accomplish the fourth objective, NCSC will design a training program based on realistic scenarios (with input from Office of Problem-Solving Courts) that describe performance issues or challenges frequently

encountered by adult drug courts and that demonstrate how performance measures can be used to address the issue. It is anticipated that this grant will be completed by September 2018.

Formula Description: No formula; competitive grant application and review.

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