

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.

16.585 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: Competitive grant application and review. Federal funds awarded under this program may not cover more than 75 percent of the total costs of the project being funded. The applicant must identify the source of the 25 percent non-federal portion of the total project costs and how match funds will be used. If a successful applicant's proposed match exceeds the required match amount, and OJP approves the budget, the total match amount incorporated into the approved budget becomes mandatory and subject to audit. (Match is restricted to the same uses of funds as allowed for the federal funds.) Applicants may satisfy this match requirement with any portion of cash and the remainder can be in-kind funds.

STATE JUSTICE INSTITUTE (Faculty Development Workshop)

Program Description: The Judicial College of Maryland, with the assistance from The National Judicial College (NJC) presented a two-day workshop, *Presenting Courses Effectively: Maryland Faculty Development Workshop*.

Formula Description: Competitive application and review. Applicants will be required to contribute a match of not less than 50 percent of the grant amount requested, of which 20 percent must be cash.

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION (Protective Order Advocacy & Representation)

Program Description: Maryland Judiciary's Protective Order Advocacy and Representation program will provide on-site legal representation to victims of domestic violence seeking protective orders at the Silver Spring District Court. Victims will receive legal advice, counseling, lethality assessment, safety planning, and representation by empathetic and knowledgeable staff in one convenient courthouse location. The program will provide for an attorney and 2 bilingual legal advocates who will coordinate culturally sensitive legal services to Hispanic and foreign-born victims. Program funds provide contractual services.

Formula Description: Sub-awards made under the STOP VAWA Program may support up to 75% of the total cost of each project. Applicants must provide a minimum of a 25% non-federal match (in-kind or cash). Funds or in-kind resources used as match must be directly related to the project goals and objectives and must be documented clearly showing the source, the amount, and the timing of all matching contributions. Additionally, sources of match are restricted to the same uses allowed under the Violence Against Women Act, and must be documented in the same manner as STOP VAWA Program funds, including financial and programmatic reports.

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