

OCSE Child Access & Visitation Program

Name of State: Indiana

Part I: Contact Information

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Part II: Statistical Profile

- Total no. of minor children under 18 years
Of age living with one biological parent
(1990 U.S. Census data) 690,510

Part III: Previous and Current Year Funding Levels

	<u>Federal \$ Grant</u>	<u>State \$ Match</u>	and	<u>Percentage</u>
• FFY 1997	\$353,005	\$ 39,223		10%
• FFY 1998	\$449,673	\$ 39,222		10%
• FFY 1999	\$312,990	\$135,000		43%
• FFY 2000	\$312,990	\$135,000		43%

Part IV: Summary of State’s Proposed Use of FFY 2000 Grant Funds

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Process for Awarding Funds:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request for Proposals (new & continuation) • New only • Continuation only • Other _____ 		

Time of Year RFP’s are Issued and/or Funding Decisions Are Made:
 Fall _____ Winter _____ Spring _____ Summer _____

Award of Funds: Grants _____ Contracts _____ Cooperative Agreements _____

Targeted Priority Areas:

• Mediation			
voluntary	Yes	<u> X </u>	No _____
mandatory	Yes	_____	No _____
• Counseling	Yes	<u> X </u>	No _____
• Education	Yes	<u> X </u>	No _____
• Parenting Plans	Yes	<u> X </u>	No _____
• Visitation Enforcement			
monitoring	Yes	<u> X </u>	No _____
supervision	Yes	<u> X </u>	No _____
neutral drop-off/pick-up	Yes	_____	No _____

- **Development of Guidelines**

Visitation	Yes _____	No _____
Alternative custody arrangements	Yes _____	No _____

Summary Narrative: Proposed Use of FFY 2000 Funds

The Division of Family and Children will receive the grant award obtained for pass through to grantees selected on the basis of submitted grant proposals. Each grantee will be selected based on the submitted proposal, and the organization’s ability to meet the intent of the grant. Programs that were awarded funds from the 1999 grant will be given an opportunity to renew their grant award if the program was shown to be successful, and if there is an advantage to an ongoing project. Since there are some 1997 grantees that were seeking funds for one-time projects, there will be an opportunity for new participating agencies.

It is clear that the issue of parental involvement can not be overemphasized as a critical factor in the success of a child. This grant program provides an opportunity for this state agency (which is IV-D funded) to facilitate such services that are not normally available under the regulations of the state IV-D program. This also helps provide mediation services for families to settle visitation disputes that would not otherwise be able to afford such assistance. It is expected that as a result of visitation and access programs, parents and children alike will benefit.

The Division of Family and Children will allot monies to grant applicants with a minimum allotment of \$25,000. Each grantee will be monitored and evaluated.

Part V: Projects Funded by States with FFY 98 OCSE Dollars					
Grantee Name, Address & Phone Number	Amount of Award & Services Provided	Number of Parents Served:			
mothers		Total #	# fathers	#	
1. Forever Parents The Counseling Center 210 N. 3 rd St. Suite 200 Lafayette, IN 47901 (765) 742-4848	Mediation, counseling, parenting plans, development of guidelines for visitation and custody, visitation enforcement (monitored, supervised, therapeutic, neutral drop-off and pickup), assessment and referral to other services	63	25	28	
2. Active Parenting Catholic Diocese of Gary (219) 769-9292	Parenting education	Information not available			
3. Family Connections Family & Community Services Michigan City, IN (219) 879-8539	Mediation, supervised and therapeutic visitation	96	34	26	
4. Ireland & Luzio Behavioral Services (812) 479-1916	Supervised and therapeutic visitation	25	21	4	
5. Marion County Superior Court IV-D Access Program Indianapolis, IN (317) 327-3855	Counseling, education, monitored visitation, parenting plans	982	360	360	
6. Indiana Judicial Center (317) 232-1313	Development of parenting time guidelines				

Participant Data: Part A
(by income and marital status)

Grantee Name & Program Title	Average Annual Income		Parent Participation Rates:		
			divorced	separated	unwed
1. Forever Parents The Counseling Center Lafayette, IN	Less than \$10k	19%	52%	13%	35%
	\$10k - \$19k	24%			
	\$20k - \$29k	26%			
	\$30k - \$39k	12%			
	\$40k – above	19%			
2. Active Parenting Catholic Diocese of Gary	Information not available				
3. Family Connections Michigan City, IN	Information not available		59%	14%	17%
4. Ireland & Luzio Behavioral Services	Less than \$10k	50%	50%	47%	3%
	\$10k - \$19k	47%			
	\$20k - \$29k	3%			
5. Marion County Superior Court Indianapolis, IN	\$10k - \$19k	10%	30%	2%	68%
	\$20k - \$29k	70%			
	\$30k - \$39	20%			
6. Development of Parenting Time Guidelines Indiana Judicial Center	Information not available				

Participant Data: Part B
(by race/ethnicity)

Grantee Name	<u>RACIAL / ETHNIC BREAKOUT:</u>					
	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Native American	Pacific Islander
1. Forever Parents The Counseling Center Lafayette, In	96%	2%			2%	
2. Active Parenting Catholic Diocese of Gary	Not available					
3. Family Connections Michigan City, IN	70%	18%	5%			
4. Ireland/Luzio Behavioral Services	56%	28%	4%			
5. Marion County Superior Court	49%	35%	5%			
6. Indiana Judicial Center	No informatio n					

Sources of Client Referral

GRANTEE							
Agency	Self-Referral	TANF	Child Welfare	Child Support	Social Services	Courts	Private
1.Forever Parents	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2.Active Parenting	No info. Available						
3.Family Connections	X	X	X		X	X	X
4.Behavioral Services						X	
5.Marion Co. Superior Court	X			X		X	
6.Indiana Judicial Center	No information						