

## OCSE Child Access & Visitation Program

Name of State: Maryland

### 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) 366,710

### Part III: Previous and Current Year Funding Levels

	<u>Federal \$ Grant</u>	<u>State \$ Match</u>	and	<u>Percentage</u>
• FFY 1997	\$ 187,471	\$ 20,830		10%
• FFY 1998	\$ 187,471	\$ 20,830		10%
• FFY 1999	\$ 166,220	\$ 19,630		12%
• FFY 2000	\$ 166,220	\$ 18,698		11%

<b>Part IV: Summary of State’s Proposed Use of FFY 2000 Grant Funds</b>
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	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
<b>Process for Awarding Funds:</b>		
• Request for Proposals (new & continuation)	X	
• New only		
• Continuation only		
• Other _____		

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

**Award of Funds:** Grants X Contracts \_\_\_\_\_ Cooperative Agreements \_\_\_\_\_

**Targeted Priority Areas:**

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

- **Development of Guidelines**

Visitation	Yes <u>  X  </u>	No <u>      </u>
Alternative custody arrangements	Yes <u>  X  </u>	No <u>      </u>

**Summary Narrative: Proposed Use of FFY 2000 Funds**

Maryland’s Child Support Administration, within the Department of Human Resources, administers the Federal Child Access and Visitation Grant Program.

The Maryland Access and Visitation Program is operated locally through the efforts of community-based organizations, local departments of social services, and the courts. Selected organizations are funded through a competitive grant process. Most recently, grantees were awarded a multi-year grant for one year with two one-year renewal options that are contingent upon federal funding and grantee program performance. Grants have been awarded to local agencies in the following jurisdictions or counties: Baltimore City, Harford, Prince George’s Cecil, Howard, Frederick and Washington Counties.

Activities provided under this grant include, but are not limited to: visitation, mediation (both voluntary and involuntary), counseling, parenting education, as well as the development of alternative custody and visitation arrangements (i.e., supervised visitation, neutral drop-off and pick-up).

**Part V: Projects Funded by States with FFY 98 OCSE Dollars**

Grantee Name, Address & Phone Number mothers	Amount of Award & Services Provided	Number of Parents Served:		
		Total #	# fathers	#
1. Family Links of Caroline County		13	6	7
2. Father in the Neighborhood		9	4	5
3. Parents Access Program		40	20	20
4. Queen Ann County A & V Program		64	32	32
5. Young Fathers Support Parents		30	28	2
6.				

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

Grantee Name & Program Title	Average Annual Income	Parent Participation Rates:		
		divorced	separated	unwed
1. Family Links of Caroline County		86%		14%
2. Father in the Neighborhood		16%	16%	68%
3. Parents Access Program		33%	34%	33%
4. Queen Ann County A & V Program		90%		10%
5. Young Fathers Support Parents		60%	5%	35%
6.				

**Participant Data: Part B**  
(by race/ethnicity)

Grantee Name	<u>RACIAL / ETHNIC BREAKOUT:</u>					
	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Native American	Pacific Islander
1. Family Links of Caroline County	100%					
2. Father in the Neighborhood	33%	67%				
3. Parents Access Program	80%	20%				
4. Queen Ann County A & V Program	80%	20%				
5. Young Fathers Support Parents	80%	18%	1%		1%	
6.						

Don't Know \_\_\_\_\_

Other, \_\_\_\_\_

**Sources of Client Referral**

<b>GRANTEE</b>							
<b>Agency</b>	<b>Self-Referral</b>	<b>TANF</b>	<b>Child Welfare</b>	<b>Child Support</b>	<b>Social Services</b>	<b>Courts</b>	<b>Private</b>
1. Family Links of Caroline County			X	X	X	X	
2. Father in the Neighborhood	X			X	X	X	
3. Parents Access Program	X			X		X	
4. Queen Ann County A & V Program	X		X	X		X	
5. Young Fathers Support Parents	X		X	X	X	X	X
6.							