

OCSE Child Access & Visitation Program

Name of State: New Mexico

Part I: Contact Information

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Part II: Statistical Profile

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Total No. of Minor Children under 18 years of age living with one biological parent (1990 U.S. Census data) | 138,260 |
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Part III: Previous and Current Year Funding Levels

	<u>Federal \$ Grant</u>	<u>State \$ Match</u>	and	<u>Percentage</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• FFY 1997	\$ 70,682	\$ 7,854		10%
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• FFY 1998	\$ 70,682	\$ 21,254		27%
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• FFY 1999	\$100,000	\$ 15,000		15%
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• FFY 2000	\$100,000	\$ 15,000		15%

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) X • 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 X _____ Cooperative Agreements _____

Targeted Priority Areas:

• Mediation			
voluntary	Yes <u>X</u> _____	No _____	
mandatory	Yes <u>X</u> _____	No _____	
• Counseling	Yes <u>X</u> _____	No _____	
• Education	Yes <u>X</u> _____	No _____	
• Parenting Plans	Yes _____	No _____	
• Visitation Enforcement			
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

The New Mexico Children, Youth and Families Department (CYFD) has been designated as the State agency to administer the FY '99 Access and Visitation Grant Program.

A needs assessment and an inventory of supervised visitation services already available was conducted indicating limited supervised visitation services available through existing programs in the state. A RFP was released in February 2000 soliciting proposals from agencies wishing to provide services for the A & V Program in New Mexico. The responsibilities required were listed.

Proposals were received in March, 2000, from six entities. An independent peer review team read and scored the proposals. Two sponsoring agencies were selected: a private, non-profit serving counties in Southwestern NM, and a private non-profit located in Northern NM.

The contractors selected is required to provide all of the services specified in the areas of mediation (both voluntary and mandatory), counseling, education, transportation and visitation enforcement (including monitoring, supervision and neutral drop-off and pick-up) and development of guidelines for visitation and alternative custody arrangements.

The contract and program will be monitored by the Teen Parent Services staff of the Children's Behavioral Health and Community Services Bureau. Regular site visits and quarterly reports will be a part of the monitoring process.

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CYFD will require specific outcomes and measures for the use of the funds. The outcomes and measures are based on an assessment of the indicators that measure change and effectiveness, such as decreased incidents of violation of visitation orders, decreased incidents of non-payment of child support, decreased incidents of negative behavior on the part of children as a result of the trauma of the divorce and custodial difficulties.

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:		
		Total #	% fathers	% mothers
1. Southwest Advocates 4 Kids 6 th & 7 th Judicial District (505) 388-4144	Mediation, counseling, education, supervised visitation, neutral drop-off and pick-up, parenting plans.	539	50%	50%
2. Information on other grantee not made available				
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6.				

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

Grantee Name & Program Title	Average Annual Income		Parent Participation Rates:		
			divorced	separated	unwed
1. SW Advocates 4 Kids	- \$10K	80%	30%	65%	5%
	\$10-19K	15%			
	\$20-29K	5%			
2. Info on other grantee not available					
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Participant Data: Part B
(by race/ethnicity)

Grantee Name	<u>RACIAL / ETHNIC BREAKOUT:</u>					
	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Native American	Pacific Islander
1. SW Advocates 4 Kids	10%	1%	88%	1%		
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Don't Know _____ Other, _____

Sources of Client Referral

GRANTEE							
	Self-Referral	TANF	Child Welfare	Child Support	Social Services	Courts	Private Agency
1. SW Advocates 4 Kids						X	X
2.							
3.							
4.							
5.							
6.							