AGENDA ITEM or FINAL CONTRACT REVIEW SUBMITTAL FORM

Agenda Item: Community Foundation of the Gunnison Valley Grant

Action Requested: County Manager Signature

Parties to the Agreement: Juvenile Services and The Community Foundation of the Gunnison Valley

Term Begins: July 1, 2015 **Term Ends:** 4/30/2016 **Grant Contract #:**

Summary:

The purposed program will be used to specifically support a wide range of cost effective, clinically effective and/or evidence based prevention programming to FAST involved youth and families.

Fiscal Impact: $5000

Submitted by: Meghan Dougherty **Submitter's Email Address:** mdougherty@gunnisoncounty.org

Finance Review: (●) Required ( ) Not Required

Comments:
Match is all in-kind

Reviewed by: GUNCOUNTY1\lNienhueser Discharge Date: 4/23/2015

County Attorney Review: (●) Required ( ) Not Required

Comments:
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Reveiwed by: GUNCOUNTY1\dBaumgarten Discharge Date: 4/23/2015 Certificate of Insurance Required Yes ( ) No (●)

County Manager Review:

Comments:

Reveiwed by: GUNCOUNTY1\mbirnie Discharge Date: 4/24/2015

(●) Consent Agenda ( ) Regular Agenda ( ) Worksession Time Allotted:

Agenda Date: 5/5/2015

Contract Distribution:

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April 22, 2015

Grant Review Committee
Community Foundation of the Gunnison Valley
PO Box 7057
Gunnison, CO 81230

RE: Family Advocacy Support Team (FAST) Grant Application

Dear Grant Review Committee Members,

The Family Advocacy Support Team (FAST) is granted authority by the County to submit the attached proposal to the Community Foundation of the Gunnison Valley.

This collaborative management program, which is primarily funded by grants, has been very effective at helping local families overcome challenges and experience greater levels of success.

Your consideration of the grant application is appreciated. Without available grant funding, many beneficial programs like this would not exist.

Sincerely,

Matthew Birnie
County Manager

Community Foundation of the Gunnison Valley

Created: 04/15/2015
Last updated: 04/22/2015

Cover Sheet

General Information

Legal Name of Agency	Gunnison County Juvenile Services
DBA (Doing Business As), if different than legal name	Family Advocacy Support Team
EIN (Federal Tax Identification Number)	846000770
Year Founded	2008
Number of Full-Time, Year-Round Employees	1
Number of Part-Time Employees, if applicable	3
Number of Seasonal Employees, if applicable	(No response)
Mailing Address	200 East Virginia Avenue
City	Gunnison
State	Colorado
Zip Code	81230
Is the physical address different from the mailing address?	No
Phone Number (XXX-XXX-XXXX)	970-641-7665
Fax Number (ex. XXX-XXX-XXXX)	970-641-9079
Website	www.gunnisoncounty.org

Organization's Contact Information

Organization's Primary Contact Person	Executive Director
Name	Matthew Birnie
Phone	970-641-0248
Email	mbirnie@gunnisoncounty.org
Is the contact person **for this application** the same person as above?	No

Contact Person For This Application

Name	Meghan Dougherty
Position or Title	Program Coordinator
Email	mdougherty@gunnisoncounty.org
Phone	970-641-7665

Grant Request Information - Once you choose *Project* or *Operating* and save, that choice will be locked. If you need to

change from one to the other, you will need to request assistance from CFGV staff. (Don't worry...other cover sheet and narrative information will NOT lock until you submit the entire application).

PLEASE NOTE: UP TO 50% of a program/project's total cost is eligible for funding.

Name of Program or Project	Family Advocacy Support Team
Amount Requested (positive number without commas, decimals or dollar signs)	5000
Total Program (or Project) Budgeted Cost:	24333
Amount Requested / Total Program or Project Budgeted Cost = %	4.8%
This award will primarily let us:	Provide direct service

Mission Statement

To provide support and resource services to youth and families in need to overcome the challenges facing them and lead to better outcomes.

Please give a synopsis of what the grant will be used for.

The proposed funding will be used to specifically support a wide range of cost effective, clinically effective and/or evidence based prevention programming to FAST involved youth and families.

By signing below, we certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of our knowledge.

Please use your computer mouse to "draw" your signature electronically. (It may not look pretty, but it is fun!)

Signature of Organization's Primary Contact Person

Executive Director; CEO; Board President; etc.

Date

2015/04/22

Did you apply last year?

No

Would you like to schedule a meeting with a consultant to receive feedback on your application following announcement of 2015 grant awards?

This is available to all applicants, whether or not you are successful in securing a 2015 Community Grant.

Yes

Please pick the grant category below that you believe is the best fit for your organization.

If you are applying for program or project support, please keep your program or project in mind when making your choice.

Health & Human Services

Narrative

Organizational History

Include the reason for founding (original issue), how that may have changed over time and list what you consider your three most important achievements. (Max: 125 words)

The Family Advocacy Support Team (FAST) was established in 2008 to serve multi-system involved youth and families in order to increase quality, appropriateness, and effectiveness of community based services. FAST integrates agencies and individuals in order to identify, coordinate, and provide services and resources to assist families in overcoming challenges facing them. The three most notable achievements of FAST are; 1) the development of our community collaborative including 45 + active members from the public, private, and non profit sectors; 2) successfully achieving targeted outcomes in the areas of child welfare, juvenile justice, education, and health/mental health for the past six years; and 3) reducing the use of out of home placements for youth which is an averaged cost savings of $69,000 per youth served.

Issue

Whether a General Operating or a Program/Project request, please describe the key issue(s) that your organization or program/project addresses. (Max: 125 words)
Click here to learn more about defining your issue.

The Family Advocacy Support Team (FAST) works to promote the health and well-being of multi-system involved youth and their families through increased positive opportunities and family driven, coordinated care. The program addresses the issue of Gunnison County's high pockets of poverty, higher than average child abuse and neglect rate, and high substance use and abuse rates. The populations targeted have substantial family, economic, academic, mental and emotional issues that require intervention from all agencies involved or are at risk of becoming involved. The FAST process addresses the importance of intervening creatively with youth and their families in a multidisciplinary team approach. It is proven that youth who are involved with strategic and structured alternative activities are less likely to engage in risky and delinquent behavior.

Project/Program Request:

Describe the project very specifically, and please be sure to answer each question. If a question is not applicable to your organization, please briefly explain why.

a. What is your overall project/program goal, and what does success look like to you? (Max: 50 words)	The overall goal is to prevent and reduce delinquency, abuse, and neglect by addressing the complex needs of multi-system involved youth. Success will be demonstrated by an overall increase in protective factors, reducing problem behaviors, increased connectivity to family, school, community and peers and demonstrating positive individual characteristics.

b. What group(s) of people are you particularly trying to affect? (If your project is not a direct service to people – for instance, if it's an environmental mitigation – please make sure that we understand the ultimate human importance of undertaking this project). (Max: 50 words)	The targeted population includes children 0-21 and their families who benefit from integrated multi-agency services. Our initiative focuses on children and families demonstrating complex needs who are involved with multiple systems, youth at risk of out of home placement, and those demonstrating a serious emotional disturbance.
c. What are the activities and objectives that will help you achieve success? (Max: 50 words)	The activities that will ensure success include; Identify youth/families' strengths, needs, and possible resources to decrease impending risk factors; Create an individualized, multi-disciplinary service plan unique to the youth/family; Ensure all other funding sources have been identified and exhausted; and Monitor outcomes and provide accountability through local data collection.
d. What's your project/program timeline? (Max: 30 words)	A time line is not applicable to this project. FAST services are on-going and dependent on youth and family involvement, needs, successes, and stability.
e. Who will be in charge of this project/program? (Max: 25 words)	Juvenile Services FAST coordinator, Meghan Dougherty, in addition to the program's three staff, executive committee, and Individual Service and Support Team agency members.
f. What experts will you be using, if relevant? (Max: 25 words)	Experts will be used within the community and will be specific to each activity referral as appropriate (i.e. group facilitators, specialist, service providers, and instructors).
g. Please provide any additional information you think the reviewers need to best understand what you plan to do and why it matters. (Max: 50 words)	The purpose of this request is to assist in maintaining the mission of FAST, specifically supporting and expanding a wide range of cost effective, professional and/or adjunctive evidence based prevention programming. Services would be in the areas of parenting, character development, life skills, social/emotional supports, recreation, arts, music, and science.
h. What are your additional sources of funding for this program/project? i.e. individuals, government, additional grants, membership, etc. (Max: 50 words)	Primary funding sources include HB 1451 Incentive Funds and System of Care grant funds. Additional funding is supported through the blending and braiding of funds currently being done at the individual family level as part of the collaborative effort with child/family serving agencies and non-profits across Gunnison and Hinsdale County.

Evaluation

Evaluation - CLICK HERE for Additional Resources/Templates

This section allows you to explain how you will know you are making progress toward achieving your goal and your definition of success. An evaluation plan identifies and measures the difference that your organization or program/project will make.

By April 30th next year, you will submit a report showing how you actually did in light of your projections. (Note: Be sure to read the report format. You will be asked in your report to tell a story giving an example of a moment or situation during the grant period where you see/experience the difference you are making).

As you prepare your answers below, please be sure to focus on your primary "target" population. If you have multiple "target" populations, please briefly explain in answer to question #6 below. For instance, if your project is about reducing the number of noxious weeds, one "target" might be the weeds themselves; and presumably you are also trying to educate the public about weeds. Or if your organization is about providing healthy meals to kids, one target would be the youngsters themselves and another might be the parent you are trying to educate about nutrition.

Please remember that you are writing for reviewers who may not know your agency or your work and may only live here part of the year. Be clear and concise. Evaluation methods can include surveys, interviews, systematic observation, systematically collected comments or anecdotes, pre-post tests, journals, pre-post photos, etc.

1. Who is your primary target group? (Note: If your request is for project/program support, please identify the target group of the project/program). (Max: 30 words)	The target population consists of at-risk children and youth ages birth through 21 years of age and their families who would benefit from a multi-system integrated service plan or approach.

2. Describe the difference you plan to make for the target group identified above. (Max: 50 words)	By targeting this population, we expect to show improvement in clinical and functional outcomes, improvement in school attendance and performance, reduction of juvenile justice involvement, and a reduction of reliance on inpatient settings for care. We expect also reduced strain on families and caregivers of children involved in multiple systems.
3. What is your vision for the long-term impact on your target group? (Max: 50 words)	Our long term vision is to improve overall youth behavior and functioning, family support and resources, and maintenance in our community setting with a focus on health, responsibility, and productivity.
4. How will this target group be affected/changed by the end of the grant period? Be specific by including numbers, percentages, etc. (Max: 75 words)	Our desired outcomes include: decreasing the number of children and youth involved with child welfare, increasing school attendance, and increasing children and youth's health. Specifically: 80% of youth will have no new open involvements after FAST services began; 80% of youth will have improved school attendance rates while involved with FAST services; and 100% of youth will have established: primary care provider; mental health provider; substance use provider; health insurance coverage during services, as applicable.
5. What will you do to find out if the change has occurred – (your methods)? (Max: 50 words)	Our project impact is determined by the number of youth and families served in the target population, engaging, completing, and reporting satisfaction with the process and avoiding further penetration into child welfare and juvenile justice systems. This is measured through quarterly outcome tracking, family satisfaction surveys, and pre/post assessments.
6. If you have more than one target population, please explain. (Max: 50 words)	FAST serves one specific target population detailed above.

Sustainability

What are you doing to ensure that your organization is sustained over time? (Max: 75 words)

All FAST partner agencies pool resources of either in-kind and/or cash contributions to the collaborative. Because the model includes all agencies working with the youth and family, alternative funding sources are identified for each open case to support services and interventions focused on supporting the family and case plan goals. Braiding and blending of funds is currently done across child and family serving agencies and non-profits used to support and sustain FAST specific efforts.

If the program/project will continue over time, how do you plan to sustain it? (Max: 75 words)

FAST strives to be fiscally sustainable by identifying and pursuing alternative funding sources in addition to long-term planning. Through the development of community wide needs assessments and the resulting development of strategic and action plans, we are ensuring the long-term success of future work by identifying the changing needs of families and youth served by FAST. Sustainability also includes inter-agency collective planning sessions wherein gaps in community services are identified and future goals are developed.

Does your budget clearly identify all in-kind contributions to the organization or project/program?

Yes

If your budget does not clearly identify in-kind contributions, please describe (and quantify the value(s) to the best of your ability) in the space provided. Examples: office space, utilities, telephones, Internet, volunteer staff, payroll, etc.

Detailed in kind information is included in the project budget.

Governance

Describe in two sentences how your organization is governed:

This program is within the County Juvenile Services Department overseen by Janet Reinman, Board of County Commissioners, and County Manager Matthew Birnie. Governance is also provided by the local Interagency Oversight Group comprised of fifteen child and family serving agency executive directors and two family members.

In addition:

How often does your Board meet?	Bi Monthly
Do you have a formal process for identifying and choosing new board members?	Yes
Do you have a strategic plan?	Yes
What is the time period covered by your strategic plan?	2014-2016
When was the last time your Board updated the plan?	July 2014
Who is responsible for implementation, follow-up & evaluation of the strategic plan?	IOG agencies and members
Please give an example of how the strategic plan has been effective for your organization:	It allows us to use data to drive planning and ultimately guide the collaborative work in our community around integration, cultural and linguistic competency, successful evaluation and sustainability.

Volunteers

How do you identify, engage, train and reward volunteers? (Max; 75 words)

All members of the FAST collaborative, committees and facilitators of the ISST family meetings are volunteers. These personnel are vital to the mission and services provided by the program. Engagement of volunteers is based solely on their passion for the mission of each group and desire to help youth and families in our community. Trainings relevant to the activities strategic plans are offered and attended throughout the year with annual volunteer recognition and celebrations.

How many volunteers does your agency have?

21-50

How many volunteers will be involved in your project/program?

If you do not know the specific number, please estimate.

30

Project Budget – Family Advocacy Support Team (FAST)

The following budget reflects the estimated costs for the proposed expansion and support of youth prevention programming and activities for the 2015-2016 fiscal years.

FAST
Youth prevention activities and programming

CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	Total Requested Amount
Additional Professional and Adjunctive Activities	Youth activity and program costs (tuition, text materials, class fees, equipment and uniform costs)	**$3000**
Child Social Skills Group	An 8 week social/ emotional skills group for children ages 3-10. Focuses on self-regulation, self-control, improved communication, and healthy interactions.	**$1000**
Life Skills Coaching	Supporting transition aged youth (17-21) with competencies to achieve their long term goals.	**$1000**

TOTAL REQUEST	**$5,000**
In Kind Contributions	$10,680
Total Project Budget	**$15,680**

In Kind Contributions

Item	Rate	Cost
Rent	$101/month x 12 months	$1,212
FAST Volunteers (serving 10 youth with an Individual Service Support Team "ISST)	50 volunteers for ISST participation x 10 ISST meetings = $10,680 of in kind contributions.	$10,680
TOTAL		$11,892