AGENDA ITEM or FINAL CONTRACT REVIEW SUBMITTAL FORM

Agenda Item: Approval to Submit Grant App; CFGV; FAST

Action Requested: Motion

Parties to the Agreement: FAST and the Community Foundation of the Gunnison Valley

Term Begins: July 1, 2019 **Term Ends:** 4/30/2020 **Grant Contract #:**

Summary:

This is a summary of FAST's grant application to the CFGV. I am in the process of finalizing the application and required attachments. I am submitting summary of the project request and total ask of $1500 for your review and approval to submit.

Fiscal Impact: $1500 additional Flex for Families funding

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

Finance Review: (●) Required ( ) Not Required

Comments:
No concerns, ln

Reviewed by: GUNCOUNTY1\lNienhueser Discharge Date: 5/3/2019

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

Comments:
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Reveiwed by: GUNCOUNTY1\dBaumgarten Discharge Date: 5/3/2019 Certificate of Insurance Required Yes ( ) No (●)

County Manager Review:

Comments:

Reveiwed by: GUNCOUNTY1\mbirnie Discharge Date: 5/3/2019

(●) Consent Agenda ( ) Regular Agenda ( ) Worksession Time Allotted: 0

Agenda Date: 5/7/2019

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2019 Community Foundation of the Gunnison Valley

Grant Request – summary

Brief Synopsis:

The requested grant dollars will be used specifically for flexible funding for families involved in multiple systems, demonstrating complex needs, and engaged in an Individual Service and Support Team. Flexible funds for customized goods and services have been recognized as an essential component of effective systems of care like the Family Advocacy Support Team. The flex funds will further the coordination and integration of community supports and allow for creativity in meeting the needs of the youth and their families. Flex funds will be used for the purchase of goods and services that would otherwise not be available to a family and may include clothes, routine activities like enrollment in summer camps or mentoring opportunities, or even rent and utilities in a crisis situation.

Program request:

a. Overall goal and what success looks like

To increase access to flexible funds for individualized home and community-based services to significantly enhance positive outcomes for youth and their families and allow for creativity in meeting their needs. Flexible funds will fill gaps in our collaboration by facilitating the purchase of goods and services that would otherwise not be available to families. Success will show an increase in protective factors, reduction in problem behaviors, and increased connectivity and engagement in services and supports.

Funds will be used to build on family strengths and as a mechanism to enhance engagement with the network community based services.

b. Describe your project in terms of its activities and objectives. (150)

FAST works to promote the health and well-being of multi-system involved youth through increased positive opportunities and family driven, coordinated care. The FAST process intervenes creatively by identifying strengths of the youth and their families in order to address their needs. FAST facilitators work with families to create a family-driven, individualized, multi-disciplinary service plan that is unique to the family and aims to prevent further system involvement and reduce problematic behaviors.

The requested project support for flexible funding will be used to enhance these activities allowing for creativity in meeting the needs of these families. Potential opportunities could include attending parenting classes or in-home supportive services to decrease the likelihood of involvement in the child welfare system. Creative interventions, such as youth having the opportunity to engage in prosocial activities, have been proven to increase mental and physical health, and for being less likely to engage in risky behavior.

The full application continues to be fine-tuned. I am unable to download the application until it is complete and ready for submission so I have provided a summary for the County Manager and County Commissioners to review and give permission to submit. The next steps are to complete the most completed year budget to actual and other required attached; Complete the project budget including the total ask of $1500; And finally request a letter of support from Matthew Birnie.

Please let me know if you need further detail or have additional questions.

I appreciate your time in reviewing the proposed request and granting permission to submit when finalized.

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