

Prevention and Intervention - DSA

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I. GRANT DESCRIPTION.

- A. **Description.** Prevention and Intervention (P&I) is a Discretionary State Aid (DSA) grant created to comply with Section 223.001(c), Human Resources Code. The purpose of the P&I grant is to provide funding for programs and services intended to prevent or intervene in at-risk behaviors that lead to delinquency, truancy, dropping out of school, or referral to the juvenile justice system.
- B. **Goal.** The goal of the P&I grant is to provide community-based prevention and intervention programs and services intended to prevent and/or intervene in behaviors that put youth at-risk of involvement with the juvenile justice system.
- C. **Objective.** The objective of the P&I grant is to provide community-based programs and services for youth identified as “at-risk” and their families in an effort to divert the youth from the juvenile justice system.
- D. **Target Population.** Youth who are ages 6 or older and younger than 18, not currently under the jurisdiction of the juvenile probation department, who have no pending formal referrals, and are not under active supervision are the eligible population and their families.

II. GRANT-SPECIFIC DEFINITION. For the purposes of this grant:

At-Risk Youth. Youth exhibiting behaviors that lead to delinquency, truancy, or referral to the juvenile justice system.

III. PROGRAMMATIC COMPONENTS.

- A. **Eligibility Requirements.** Grantee shall ensure that each youth enrolled in the grant-funded program meets the characteristics of the target population.
- B. **Documentation.**
 - 1. Documentation for all programs and services shall be maintained online where specified, as well as by the Grantee, and is subject to review by TJJD during on-site monitoring visits or upon request and shall include:
 - a. Entry of this program in the Department’s online “Program and Services Registry”;
 - b. Date, time, and duration of activity;
 - c. Location of activity; and
 - d. Number of participants.
 - 2. Grantee shall open a program record in the department’s individual case management system for any youth placed in a P&I program.
- C. **Performance.** Grantee performance under this grant shall be determined using the following measures:
 - 1. number of at-risk youth served by the grant during the reporting period;
 - 2. number of youth served by the grant who are referred to a juvenile probation department within one year of program entry;
 - 3. percentage of youth who complete the program; and
 - 4. the cost per youth participating in the program.
- D. **Program Policy and Procedure.** The Grantee shall have written policies and procedures governing all programs and services provided under this grant.

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- E. **Licensing and Certification.** The Grantee shall ensure that all licensed and/or certified staff members maintain a current license and/or certification if the programs and services provided under this grant require professional licensure or certification.

IV. PROGRAMMATIC REPORTING

- A. **Annual Reports.** End-of-Year Program Summary Report. The Grantee shall complete an End-of-Year Program Summary in a format specified by the Department no later than October 1. This report shall include, but is not limited to:

1. a list of program activities or services, including approved changes to the original application;
2. total number served (this includes targeted at-risk youth as well as parents, siblings, or other family members who participated in programming);
3. number of at-risk youth served;
4. number of at-risk youth carried over from the previous fiscal year;
5. number of at-risk youth who began services in the current fiscal year;
6. the total school absence rate the semester prior to program entry and the total school absence rate the semester after program exit for at-risk youth served by the program;
7. number of at-risk youth with improved attendance while in the program;
8. number of at-risk youth with fewer school discipline reports while in the program;
9. site-specific outcome-related data; and
10. how the programs and services met the overall goals and objectives detailed in the P&I grant.

- B. **Monthly Reports.** The Grantee shall submit monthly extract data electronically to TJJD no later than the 10th calendar day of each month following the reporting period as required in Title 37, Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 341 or successor provisions which become effective during the term of this Contract. The Prevention and Intervention information must be reflected in the referral and program tables of the monthly extract. Funds may be suspended if the monthly program report is not received by the due date.

V. CONTRACT APPLICABILITY.

Grantee shall be bound by the duties, responsibilities, and requirements of each part of the State Aid and Targeted Grants Contract. If a provision contained in the General Grant Requirements of that Contract conflicts with a provision in this Targeted Grant, the Targeted Grant provision controls.