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TO: Formula Sub-grant Applicants

THRU: Steve McBride, Deputy Administrator for Juvenile Services

FROM: Pauline Salla, Juvenile Justice Specialist

RE: FFY 15 Formula Grants (CFDA# 16.540, FFY15)

Attached please find an application for the FFY 2015 Formula sub-grant funds. Please note the Juvenile Justice Commission funding provisions have changed significantly as a result of the implementation of revisions to the Juvenile Justice Act in November of 2002.

First, sub-grant applicants must design projects that pertain to specific program areas identified below. As indicated, there is a specific amount of funding (\$281,000.00) available statewide for all the program areas listed below. Each program area will have grants for that area judged against other applicants for that area. The amount of funding available to each geographic region may vary depending on total grant requests. Funds will be delivered in a geographically equitable basis if sufficient need is established within the program area. Applicants may apply for funding in more than one (1) of these program areas, as long as the local projects are presented independently of each other. Failure to apply within one of the following program areas will disqualify the application. Program areas available for FFY15 are as follows:

- Mental Health Services
- Aftercare/Reentry
- Community Based Programs
- Afterschool Programs
- Delinquency Prevention
- Native American Programs
- Disproportionate Minority Contact

The designation of these program areas is consistent with the priorities that were identified by the Juvenile Justice Commission's (JJC) Formula Grant Survey sent to all stakeholders and will voted on during the next full JJC meeting on June 18, 2015. The Federal description of each purpose area is attached to the enclosed documents. Sub-grant projects must adhere to these program descriptions.

Second, all sub-grant projects must be an "**Evidenced-Based Program**" to meet the needs of the youth and communities involved. Evidenced-Based Program approaches are available on the OJJDP website.

Third, OJJDP has identified mandatory output measures and outcome measures for each of the designated program areas. The required measures can be found at the following website: http://www.dsgonline.com/performance_measures.htm Click on the green shaded box. It is mandatory to report on all of the bold and two non-bold output measures. It is also mandatory to report on all of the bold short-term and long term outcome measures, where applicable and two non-mandatory outcome measures (either short term or long term, where applicable.) If you are unable to access the website, please e-mail Pauline Salla, psalla@dcfs.nv.gov and the measures will be sent to you via return e-mail.

In addition to these changes, the following attachments were added to the Formula Grant Program. The attachments must be included with all applications for funding when appropriate to your agency.

- All private non-profit applicants must submit a denial of funding from their local unit of government for funding to provide projects in the applied for area.
 All non-profit applicants who partner with local juvenile probation offices will receive ten (10) points to the application scoring process. (Attachment A)
- All entities will assure that projects meet Evidenced-Based Approaches as described by OJJDP. (Attachment B)
- All juvenile justice entities must provide copies of their detention placement instruments and will report annually to the Juvenile Justice Programs Office on the utilization of overrides to the instrument. (Attachment C)
- All juvenile justice entities applying for sub grant funds must present their policy that requires a medical screening for all youth detained in local detention centers. (Attachment D)
- All juvenile justice entities applying for sub grant funds must describe progress implementing the MAYSI II mental health-screening tool in their local detention centers for use with detained youth. (Attachment E)
- All juvenile justice entities will present their local graduated sanction policy that meets the description of graduated sanctions supplied by the federal Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. (Attachment F)
- All juvenile justice entities applying for sub grant funding must present their policy for the sharing of all public child welfare records with the juvenile court. This will include protective services records on file in that geographical area

- under the jurisdiction of court, relating to any juvenile before the court. (Attachment G)
- All juvenile justice entities applying for sub grant funding must present their policy and systems to incorporate relevant child protective services records into juvenile justice records for the purposes of establishing and implementing treatment plans for juvenile offenders. (Attachment H)
- All juvenile justice entities applying for sub grant funding must present their policy that assures that juvenile offenders whose placement is funded through Section 472 of the Social Security Act receive protections specified in Section 471 of such Act, including a case plan review as defined in Section 475 of such Act. (Attachment I) (Sections 471,472,474 attached to this document for reference)
- All juvenile justice entities that operate a juvenile detention facility must provide a copy of the facilities Disaster Emergency Plan(Attachment J)
- All applicants that operate a juvenile detention center must include a summary of activities implemented for Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Compliance (Attachment K) (Includes number of PREA allegations received for 2014)

Applications are due **NO LATER THAN 5PM**, **June 25**, **2015** at 4126 Technology Way - 3rd Floor, Carson City, Nevada 89706. No faxed applications will be accepted. All quarterly financial/progress reports and juvenile justice data collections reports must be current for the FY 2015 grant year before a new application can be processed.

Sub-grant moneys are contingent upon the State of Nevada receiving federal funding for FFY 2015. The Juvenile Justice Commission may also make changes to the sub-grant amounts based on changes to the pass through requirements of the Juvenile Justice Act.

All sub-grantees will be notified of the time and location of the Juvenile Justice Commission Grant Review Committee meeting that will review the grant applications. Should you desire information or assistance, please contact Pauline Salla at (775) 623-6555.

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