



County of Fort Bend, Texas

Grant Intent to Apply Form

Name of Grant: VOCA - Infant Toddler Court: Healing the Youngest Victims		
Purpose of Grant: To provide services and assistance directly to victims of crime to speed their recovery and aid		
Department/Division: Behavioral Health Services		
Point of Contact: Dr. Connie Almeida		Phone Number: (281) 238-3078
Announcement Date: 12/14/21	Commissioners Court: 2/9/21	Submission Deadline: 2/11/21

Pre-Application Considerations:

1) Financial

i) Financial Breakdown (First-year applicants, please provide best estimates.)

Grant Funding Request:	\$48,985.33	
Match	Amount	Source
Cash:	\$6,750.00	court appointed attorney fees
In-kind:	6103.20	non paid intern hours
Program Income:		
Total Project Cost:	\$61,838.53	

ii) Staffing Requirements (including salary and benefits increases for multi-year grants, number of personnel and brief description of duties. If this a first-year application, please provide best estimates.)

Non-licensed counselor salary and benefits \$43,726.00 (21 hours per week X \$35 per hour X 48 weeks)
 Provides parent-child relationship assessments, trust-based relationship interventions and coaching, training, case coordination, court reports, court appearances, and family case planning.

iii) Operational Needs (i.e., office space, equipment, IT needs, etc.)

No additional operational needs are necessary. Office space and IT needs have been provided.

iv) Grant Financial History (Two-year history if available. Please write N/A for first-year applications.)

FY 2020 Budget Grant Total Information:
OOG: \$48,985.33, Cash Match \$6750.00, In-Kind Match \$6103.20.
Total: \$61,838.53

v) Sustainability Plan (continuation for grant-funded program if grant funding is reduced or terminated)

The funding requested will allow us to continue our training and the work we currently we do to heal trauma of the youngest victims of abuse and neglect (children birth to 5 years of age involved in CPS). We will continue to leverage our partnerships and pursue additional funding to support our expansion of services. BHS has a history of success in sustaining grant funded programs and we expect to be able to demonstrate the value of our activities to other funders.

2) Programmatic

i) Alignment with department/program's plans and priorities

This grant aligns with the mission, vision, and goals of Behavioral Health Services. BHS is a local, multi-service department with regional and state influence. The VOCA grant will provide BHS with the ability to provide relationship-based services to children (ages birth to 5 years) and their families who are in the child welfare system in Fort Bend County. The grant is aligned with BHS's plans to continue conducting parent-child assessments and visit coaching with parents and their children. Case management consists of helping families with issues such as transportation, housing, food or other

ii) Department's capacity to administer the financial and administrative aspects of the grant

BHS has the capacity to administer the financial and administrative aspects of the grant.

iii) Prior year performance data and accomplishments (Please write N/A for first-year applications.)

VOCA expands the work of the Fort Bend Infant Toddler Court and the Cluster Court by addressing gaps and enhancing the delivery of trauma and relationship-focused services to the children and families. The VOCA project is a "service enhancement" to the existing ITC and Cluster Court, focusing on implementing a continuum of "relationship-based" services to facilitate reunification, attachment, emotional and behavioral regulation, parenting capacity, permanency, and overall healing of young victims of abuse.
Individualized parent-child relationship services were provided to young children (ages 0-5) and their