



City of San Marcos
HUMAN SERVICES FUNDING APPLICATION
Fiscal Year 2022

Name of Agency/Organization: Hays County Child Protective Board

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Program Title: Hays County Child Protective Board

Amount of Funds Requested: \$25,000

Status: (check one) Existing Program Program Expansion New Program

Briefly describe the program proposed for funding and the services it provides:

- Program Proposed:
 - Address the needs of Hays County Child Protective Services (CPS) clients.
 - Review and prioritize requests made by CPS Caseworkers and Hays County Victims Services Attorney on behalf of Hays County CPS clients
 - Operate the Hays County Remme Rainbow Room, a 24/7 resource center allowing CPS Caseworkers to gather new and essential items for children and families anytime day or night
 - Inform the general public about the rights and needs of abused and neglected children and available services
 - Educate the public about their role in combating child abuse and neglect
 - Influence legislation and policy related to CPS through networking and advocacy
 - Advocate for, prepare, monitor, and administer the budget allocated by the County Commissioners Court (Court) and funding from grants and donations
- Services Provided:
 - Funding and other resources for, including but not restricted to, the following:
 - Emergency clothing allowance (many children are removed from abusive homes with only the clothes they are wearing)
 - Emergency food and shelter
 - Traditional educational needs (summer school tuition, tutoring, etc.)
 - COVID related educational needs for online learning (laptop, internet access, etc.)
 - Extracurricular activities (band instruments, sports camps, sports glasses, etc.)
 - Summer camp and day care fees

- Medical, dental, and mental health costs (not covered by state/federal programs)
- Health, hygiene, and Covid-19 preventive supplies
- Family preservation services assistance (counseling, parent education, etc.)
- Safety equipment (child car seats, beds and cribs, smoke alarms, fire extinguishers, child locks, child gates, etc.)
- Information on child abuse and neglect for public and appropriate officials

Describe who will benefit from this program and how:

- Who:
 - All Hays County children who are clients of CPS
 - All Hays County children in substitute care (foster, relative, fictive, and residential placements)
 - Family members (substitute care and biological) of children in substitute care
 - Children and families receiving family preservation services
 - Children and families under investigation
 - Hays County community
- How:
 - Children will have clothing after being removed from their abusive homes
 - Children and families will have safe shelter
 - Children and families will have access to adequate food during emergencies
 - Children who need assistance to achieve academic success will have access to summer school tuition, tutoring, and other educational support
 - Children will receive support for the special COVID related educational needs including but not limited to laptops and internet access
 - Children will be able to lead more normal lives by participating in extracurricular activities (band, sports camps, class trips, etc.)
 - Children and families will benefit from the children participating in summer camps
 - Children will be safe in day care because day care fees are provided on a temporary basis
 - Children’s health and quality of life will be improved because medical, dental, and mental health costs not covered by state/federal programs are provided
 - Children will be safer during COVID with adequate COVID preventive supplies
 - Children’s health will be improved because of health and hygiene supplies such as lice kits, shampoo, body wash, and toothpaste.
 - Children’s and families’ lives will be improved by receiving counseling and parent education services
 - Children are protected through the provision of essential safety supplies (child car seats, home fire extinguishers, child safety locks, child gates, etc.)

If requested funds are to be used as matching funds, identify source and amount of primary grants:

Source: n/a Amount: n/a

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Client Information Specific to This Program:

1) Describe the direct clients for this program.

- Children in substitute care
- Substitute Care Families (foster, relative, and fictive families)
- Families and children receiving family preservation services and children whose homes are awaiting case determination

2) How is the program marketed to direct clients? How do you find these clients?

- The Board is mandated to serve all Hays County CPS children and their families
- CPS Caseworkers identify children and families who need our services and refer them through their supervisor
- The Remme Rainbow Room provides CPS Caseworkers immediate access to resources for children

3) Describe the indirect clients for this program, if any.

- Residents of the County
- City, County, State Officials, and Caseworkers
- CPS Caseworkers

4a) Expected total annual unduplicated direct clients for this program:

575 children in substitute care
186 families and 471 children receiving preservation services

4b) Expected annual unduplicated direct clients who are City of San Marcos residents:

168 children in substitute care*
49 families and 138 children receiving preservation services*

*The identification and specific location of individuals is protected information. The State of Texas DFPS Annual Report and Data Book, census data for Hays County, and the annual CPS statistical report are used to calculate the approximate number of clients in San Marcos. According to our calculations, approximately one third of the County clients served were San Marcos clients.

https://www.dfps.state.tx.us/About_DFPS/Data_Book/Child_Protective_Services/

5) Does program participation depend upon income or any other determination of eligibility?

No:

Yes: If Yes, please attach a copy of the eligibility guidelines.
(If a sliding scale is used attach a copy of the scale used.)

Submitted By:

Signature of Executive Director

Date

Printed Name of Executive Director

Approval:



Signature of Board President

Sept. 3, 2021

Date

Lee Ikels

Printed Name of Board President



HUMAN SERVICES FUNDING QUESTIONNAIRE FY 2022

The Board strongly requests that all answers be typed.
Responses should not exceed 75 words per question.

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL QUESTIONS.

1. What is the agency's or organization's mission?

The mission of the Hays County Child Protective Board (Board), whose members are appointed by the Hays County Commissioners Court (Court), is to promote a safe environment for all Hays County children. Mandated by the State to serve all abused and neglected children and their families who are Hays County Child Protective Services (CPS) clients. We are charged with supporting the work of CPS Case Workers and linking the citizens of the County, the Court, and CPS to enhance services to these children and families.

2. Regarding the program for which funding is being requested, what evidence suggests this program is needed in San Marcos or nearby?

The Board is the only entity mandated by the state of Texas to address the gaps in state provided services to abused and neglected Hays County CPS children and their families. We have been existence since the late 1970's. Unfortunately, as the Hays County population explodes, each year the numbers of clients grow and needs intensify. In the last two years COVID has increased the need to address emergency housing and medical needs.

3. What specific, measurable outcomes or results do you hope to achieve with this program?

- Children in substitute care or awaiting case determination will have
 - Emergency food and housing needs met
 - Basic clothing needs met
 - The means to successfully participate in classroom and remote learning
 - Access to extracurricular school activities
 - Recognition for scholastic achievements and other milestones
 - Medical and mental health services not covered by governmental programs
- CPS caseworkers' professional services recognized and supported
- Public is given information about child abuse and neglect
- Public officials and CPS personnel receive input on CPS legislation and policy

4. How will you measure results throughout the year?

- Track the number of children assisted and the number and the types of expenditures
- Track the number and venues used to increase public awareness of child abuse and neglect
- Track communications with public officials and staff related to child abuse and neglect

5. Please answer the following questions if funding is requested for staff:

a. List the title of each position for which funding is requested, how many hours per week will be spent on this program vs other programs, and the activities associated with each position.

n/a

b. If staff funding requests can only be partially funded, how will you supplement the funding to cover the remainder needed?

n/a

c. Staff pay may only be funded for one year. What will you do to provide for this position next year?

n/a

6. Funding Questions:

- a. What has your organization done in the past two years to raise different funding for this program?
 - Conducted holiday fundraisers
 - Contacted potential donors
 - Submitted grant proposals to Buda, private foundations, and civic and religious organizations
 - Opened the Remme Rainbow Room enabling us to seek, store, and distribute in-kind donations
 - Conducted two diaper drives
- b. What do you plan to do this year to find different funding for this program?
 - Identify new grant sources
 - Expand funding from private donors
 - Increase in-kind donation drives

7. What additional funding is your agency requesting for this program ?

Funding Source	Amount Requested	Amount Granted	Pending (Y/N)
Hays County	\$60,000	\$60,000	N
Hobby Foundation	\$10,000		Y
Dunagan Foundation	\$10,000		Y
San Marcos Lions Club	\$6,000	\$6,000	N
Presbyterian Church	\$10,000		Y
Bluebonnet Lions Club	\$2,000		Y
Private Pledges	\$15,000	\$15,000	Y
Dripping Springs Community	\$2,000		Y
Jury Donations	Unspecified		Y
Capitol Area Housing Finance Corp	Unspecified		Y

8. Describe any differences between the way you had proposed spending last year’s allocation and they way you actually spent it.

The FY 2021 budget submitted in August 2020 has been generally followed. Some deviations have resulted, primarily from issues related to the COVID pandemic.

Substitute care families, especially relative care families, are under emotional and financial stress because of COVID. Requests for rental and mortgage assistance, food, remote learning devices, and virus protective items increased. We experienced an increase in numbers of referrals when children returned to physical classrooms.

9. How many volunteers does your agency or organization have and how many hours do they spend on the program requesting funding?

- The Board currently has 13 confirmed members, all are volunteers
- The Board spends approximately 1000 hours annually on Fundraising Activities and Grant Activities

10. Board of Directors Questions:

a. How is the agency's or organization's Board of Directors selected?

- The all-volunteer Board members must be residents of Hays County
- Nominations typically come from the Board or individual County Commissioners
- Nominations for membership are reviewed by the Board and submitted to the Court for final approval
- Nominated board members undergo State administered background checks and sign and submit a letter of confidentiality to DFPS before final approval

b. How often does the Board meet?

- The entire Board meets once a month
- The entire Board meets once a year for annual planning
- Various committees meet once a month and more often as needed

c. What actions do Board members take to support the programs of the agency or organization?

- Receive, prioritize, and respond to requests from CPS caseworkers at monthly meetings
- Receive, prioritize, and respond to emergency requests on-line between meetings
- Maintain records of requests
- Conduct fund raisers
- Write grant proposals
- Manage funded grants
- Submit and manage annual County appropriations
- Maintain financial records
- Operate Remme Rainbow Room; solicit in-kind donations, manage inventory, stock distribution area, and respond to special requests
- Maintain web presence