

Sub-strategy Request

Agency Code: 530	Agency Name: Family and Protective Services	Prepared by: Donna Krueger	Statewide Goal Code: 03-17	Strategy Code: 01-02-07-02		
AGENCY GOAL: 01 In collaboration with other public and private entities, protect children, elder adults, and persons with disabilities, from abuse, neglect and/or exploitation by providing integrated service delivery systems that results in quality outcomes, and reduce the incidence of abuse, neglect, and exploitation by maximizing resources for early intervention, prevention, and aftercare.						
OBJECTIVE: 02 By 2009, provide or manage a quality integrated service delivery system for 70 percent of children at risk of abuse/neglect to mitigate the effects of such maltreatment and assure that the confirmed incidence of abuse and neglect does not exceed 7.3 per 1,000 children.						
STRATEGY: 07 Provide purchased adult living services to help and support youth preparing for departure from DFPS substitute care, including life skills training, money management, education/training vouchers, room and board assistance, and case management.						
SUB-STRATEGY: 02 Preparation for Adult Living Education Training Voucher (ETV) Program						
Code:	Sub-strategy Request	Expended 2005	Estimated 2006	Budgeted 2007	Requested	
					2008	2009
	Objects of Expense:					
1001	Salaries and Wages	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1002	Other Personnel Costs	0	0	0	0	0
2001	Professional Fees and Services	0	0	0	0	0
2002	Fuels and Lubricants	0	0	0	0	0
2003	Consumable Supplies	0	0	0	0	0
2004	Utilities	0	0	0	0	0
2005	Travel	0	0	0	0	0
2006	Rent - Building	0	0	0	0	0
2007	Rent - Machine and Other	0	0	0	0	0
2009	Other Operating Expense	0	0	0	0	0
3001	Client Services	849,143	1,316,125	1,316,125	1,316,125	1,316,125
3002	Food for Persons - Wards of State	0	0	0	0	0
4000	Grants	0	0	0	0	0
5000	Capital Expenditures	0	0	0	0	0
	Total, Objects of Expense	\$849,143	\$1,316,125	\$1,316,125	\$1,316,125	\$1,316,125
0555	Method of Financing:					
	Federal Funds:					
	CFDA #93.599 Chafee Education and Training Vouchers Program	849,143	1,316,125	1,316,125	1,316,125	1,316,125
	Total, Federal Funds	\$849,143	\$1,316,125	\$1,316,125	\$1,316,125	\$1,316,125
	Total, Method of Financing	\$849,143	\$1,316,125	\$1,316,125	\$1,316,125	\$1,316,125
Number of Positions (FTE)		-	-	-	-	-

Sub-strategy Request (continued)

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Sub-strategy Description and Justification:

Under this sub-strategy, DFPS purchases administers the Education and Training Voucher service to assist eligible youth to begin, continue or complete postsecondary education and one year training programs and move towards gainful employment and self-sufficiency. This service is offered to eligible youth ages 16 to 23 who are or have been in the foster care system. Youth receiving Education and Training Vouchers are allowed to use the funding to attend Texas nonprofit private or public four-year colleges or universities, two-year community colleges, or vocational-technical or specialized trade schools at least one year in duration. Education and Training Vouchers are used for such expenses as residential housing, room and board costs, tuition/fees (if youth is not eligible for the state tuition and fee waiver for former foster care youth), personal items, books and supplies, child care, some transportation needs, and computer or other required equipment.

The statutory and/or constitutional provisions for this sub-strategy are the Texas Family Code, Title 5 and the HR Code, Chapters 40 and 42.

External/Internal Factors Impacting Sub-strategy:

The Education and Training Voucher service is funded through the federal Chafee Foster Care Independence Program funds requiring a non-federal match of 20 percent. The Chafee Foster Care Independence Act of 1999 and the Promoting Safe and Stable Families Program Amendment of 2001 created a new state grant program to provide Education and Training Vouchers for youth who have aged out of foster care. The State match requirement for these federal funds are based on a report provided by the Higher Education Coordinating Council identifying tuition amounts paid for former foster care children.

The provision of the Education and Training Voucher service contributes to the statewide effort of improving transition services for young adults and maintaining a continuum of services. Without the Education and Training Voucher service, youth leaving the DFPS system are at a much greater risk of forgoing the opportunity to reach a level of gainful employment and self-sufficiency resulting in unemployment, homelessness, welfare dependency or incarceration.