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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
DIVISION FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

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September 26, 2023

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Division for Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) to accept and expend the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families' Promoting Safe and Stable Families – Family First Transition Act Grant award in the amount of \$87,087, for the purpose of continuing two full-time temporary positions, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval through June 30, 2025, and further authorize the allocation of these funds in the accounts below. 100% Federal Funds.

05-95-42-421010-2973 HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, DEPT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS, HHS: DIVISION FOR CHILDREN YOUTH & FAMILIES, CHILD PROTECTION, PROMOTING SAFE-STABLE FAMILIES

Class/Object	Class Title	Current Authorized Budget	Requested Change	Adjusted Budget
Revenue				
000-403875	Federal Funds	\$ 801,670	\$ 87,087	\$ 888,757
	General Funds	\$ 24	\$ -	\$ 24
Total Revenue:		\$ 801,694	\$ 87,087	\$ 888,781
Expense				
020-500200	Current Expenses	\$ 8,150		\$ 8,150
030-500301	Equipment New Replacement	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ 1
039-500190	Telecommunications	\$ 13,000		\$ 13,000
041-500801	Audit Fund Set Aside	\$ 726	\$ 87	\$ 813
050-500109	Personal Services Temp	\$ 136,799	\$ 11,000	\$ 147,799
060-500601	Benefits	\$ 10,752	\$ 76,000	\$ 86,752
070-500700	In State Travel	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000
080-500710	Out of State Travel	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 2,000
102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	\$ 625,266		\$ 625,266
Total Expense:		\$ 801,694	\$ 87,087	\$ 888,781

EXPLANATION

This request is being made to accept the grant funds associated with the Family First Transition Act, within Section 602, Subtitle F, Title I, Division N of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020. Per section 602(c)(3)(a) of the Family First Transition Act, funds may be used for purposes specified in title IVB of the Social Security Act; purposes directly associated with implementing the Family First Prevention Services Act.

The Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA) was signed into law as part of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018, Public Law (P.L.) 115-123 on February 9, 2018. FFPSA supports the use of evidence-based practices to promote the well-being of children, youth, and families and to prevent unnecessary foster care placements. Currently, DCYF has two Program Specialist IV positions who are responsible for overseeing all of DCYF's community-based service providers and array. The passage of FFPSA requires jurisdictions to have structures and standards in place to ensure appropriate utilization of evidence-based practices. To ensure the same, DCYF intends to enhance its management and oversight of contracted evidence based services to ensure that they are provided with fidelity and meet the needs of children, youth, and families. In efforts to improve the current service array and come into compliance with FFPSA, DCYF is in the midst of completing several large procurements in order to overhaul our service array and provide improved services to families at all stages of involvement with DCYF. Additional staff are not only needed to provide support to the expanding array of services, but also to provide training and service matching support to DCYF's field staff. These staff will also be tasked with providing contracting management and support to new and existing service providers.

Funds are being budgeted in:

- Audit costs (class 041) per state requirements.
- Personal Services Temp (class 050) to cover full time temporary staff salary.
- Benefits (class 060) benefits for full time temporary staff.

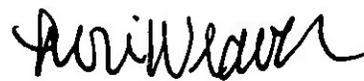
In response to the anticipated two-part question, "Can these funds be used to offset General Funds?" and "What is the compelling reason for not offsetting General Funds?" the Division offers the following information: These funds may not be used to offset General Funds as they are specifically granted to the State for the purpose of providing the services described above.

Area served: Statewide.

Source of Funds: 100% Federal Funds.

If Federal Funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support the program expenditures.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lori A. Weaver
Commissioner

NH Families First Transitions Act Grant

Grant Year 2020

Award Ending 9/30/24 **1,540,802**

Expended through 8/30/23 **1,028,917**

Available Award Balance 511,885

Less: SFY 24 Appropriations

Available To Accept 511,885

Amount Requested This Action 87,087

SFY 24 Appropriations:

10-042-4210-2973	2024 Budget	Balance Fowarded	Total	This Action	Revised Budget
Revenue	714,591	87,079	801,670	-	801,670
Expense	714,591	87,103	801,694	-	801,694

FFTA GYR 2020 (10/1/19 - 9/30/25) \$1,540,802.00



Department of Health and Human Services
Administration for Children and Families

Notice of Award
Award # 2001NHFFTA
FAIN# 2001NHFFTA
Federal Award Date:

10/20/20
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Recipient Information

- 1. Recipient Name
New Hampshire
129 Pleasant Street

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03301 3857
- 2. Congressional District of Recipient
*See Remarks
- 3. Payment Account Number and Type
*See Remarks
- 4. Employer Identification Number (EIN)
XXXXXXXXXX
- 5. Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS)
011040345
- 6. Recipient's Unique Entity Identifier
*See Remarks
- 7. Project Director or Principal Investigator
Michael Donati

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- 8. Authorized Official
*See Remarks

Federal Agency Information

- 9. Awarding Agency Contact Information
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- 10. Program Official Contact Information
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Federal Award Information

- 11. Award Number
2001NHFFTA
- 12. Unique Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)
2001NHFFTA
- 13. Statutory Authority
Public Law (P.L.) 116-94, Section 602
- 14. Federal Award Project Title
*See Remarks
- 15. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number
93.556
- 16. CFDA Program Title
Promoting Safe and Stable Families
- 17. Award Action Type
New
- 18. Is the Award R&D?
*See Remarks

Summary Federal Award

Financial Information

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| 19. Budget Period Start Date 10-01-2019 | End Date 09-30-2025 |
| 20. Total Amount of Federal Funds Obligated by this Action | \$1,540,802.00 |
| 20a. Direct Cost Amount | *See Remarks |
| 20b. Indirect Cost Amount Administrative Offset | *See Remarks |
| 21. Authorized Carryover | *See Remarks |
| 22. Offset | *See Remarks |
| 23. Total Amount of Federal Funds Obligated this budget period | \$1,540,802.00 |
| 24. Total Approved Cost Sharing or Matching, where applicable | *See Remarks |
| 25. Total Federal and Non-Federal Approved | *See Remarks |
| 26. Project Period Start Date 10-01-2019 | End Date 09-30-2025 |
| 27. Total Amount of the Federal Award including Approved Cost Sharing or Matching | *See Remarks |

- 28. Authorized Treatment of Program Income
*See Remarks
- 29. Grants Management Officer - Signature

Janice Realeza
Grants Management Officer

Footnotes



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Federal Award Date:

Recipient Information

New Hampshire
129 Pleasant Street
CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03301 3857
Employer Identification Number (EIN): XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS): 011040545
Recipient's Unique Entity Identifier: *See Remarks
Object Class: 41.15

Financial Information

<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>CAN</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Award this action</u>	<u>Cumulative Grant Award to Date</u>	<u>Document Number</u>	<u>Funding Type</u>
75-2021-1512	2020.G996495	\$1,540,802.00	\$1,540,802.00	\$1,540,802.00	2001NHFFTA	Formula

Terms and Conditions



Department of Health and Human Services
Administration for Children and Families

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By acceptance of awards for this program, the grantee agrees to comply with the requirements included in both the General and Supplemental Terms and Conditions for this program.

The administration of this program is subject to:

The statutory requirements of Public Law 116-94, the Family First Transition Act, within Section 602, Subtitle F, Title I, Division N of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020). Per section 602(c)(3)(a) of the Family First Transition Act, funds may be used for purposes specified in title IV-B of the Social Security Act: purposes directly associated with implementing the Family First Prevention Services Act, enacted as part of Public Law 115-123; and for activities previously funded under a child welfare waiver demonstration approved under section 1130 of the Social Security Act.

Title IV-B, Subpart 1, Section 421, of the Social Security Act.

Title IV-B, Subpart 2, Sections 430 and 431, of the Social Security Act.

Section 1130 of the Social Security Act.

Title VII of division E of Public Law 115-123 (also known as the Family First Prevention Services Act).

Program Instruction ACYF-CB-PI-20-04 for the Family First Prevention Services Act Transition Grant funds (available on the Children's Bureau website at <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/cb/laws-policies/program-instructions>)

The Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for HHS Awards is located under 45 CFR Part 75. In accordance with 45 CFR §75.101 Applicability, this program must comply with 45 CFR Part 75 in its entirety. No exceptions were identified.

Additional applicable regulations and requirements can be found in the General Terms and Conditions for Mandatory, Formula, Block and Entitlement Grants.

There is no non-federal cost share/match required for this program; program funds for this program are awarded with a 100 percent Federal Financial Participation (FFP) rate for program costs.

These grant funds may not be used to meet the matching requirements of another Federal grant (section 602(c)(3)(B) of the Family First Transition Act). Federal funds awarded under these grants must be expended for the purposes for which they were awarded.

Each grantee's fiscal and accounting procedures must be sufficient to permit the preparation of required reports and the tracing of expenditures to a level necessary to establish that Federal funds have not been used in violation of the terms and conditions.

Family First Prevention Services Act Transition Grant funds must be tracked and accounted for separately to ensure compliance with specific requirements and allowances of the Family First Transition Act. Federal funds awarded under this grant must be expended for the purposes for which they were awarded and within the time period allotted.

The OMB approved Financial Reporting form for this program is the Financial Status Report SF-425. The SF-425 is due annually and no later than December 30, which is 90 days after the end of the project period.

Obligation/Liquidation Deadline: The Family First Prevention Services Act Transition Grant Funds must be used for expenditures made between the dates October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2025. Funds must be liquidated no later than December 30, 2025.

In accordance with 45 CFR §1357.15 and 45 CFR §1357.16, agencies receiving funding under title IV-B of the Social Security Act are required to submit a five-year Child and Family Services Plan or Annual Progress and Service Report no later than June 30 each year. These reports must establish goals and objectives for a five-year period, provide information on accomplishments and progress made during the previous fiscal year, and provide updates on program areas selected for improvement and other activities in the next year. These annual reports must be submitted to the appropriate ACF Regional Office. Updates on use of the Family First Prevention Services Act Transition Grant funds must be included in the Annual Progress and Service Report beginning with the submission due on June 30, 2021 and continuing through the last fiscal year in which these grants are fully expended.

As required by section 602(d)(1) of the Family First Transition Act, information to be reported in the Annual Progress and Services Report must include: how funds are used to implement each part of the Family First Prevention Services Act, with a separate statement with respect to each such part: all programs, services, and operational costs for which the grant is used;

the characteristics of the families and children served;

the amounts the agency uses for each FY to continue activities previously funded under a waiver provided under section 1130 of the Social Security Act; the agency's plan to transition the activities so that needed activities can be provided under the agency's title IV-E plan, or, if expenditures for the activities would not be eligible for payment under title IV-E, the reason for it not being eligible and the funding sources the agency plans to use to cover the costs of needed activities; and any additional information HHS requires.

These program-specific Supplemental Terms and Conditions are effective for the duration of the expenditure period for the Family First Prevention Services Act Transition Grants, from October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2025 with the issuance of the awards. They will be updated and reissued only as needed whenever a new program-specific statute, regulation or other requirement is enacted or whenever any of the applicable existing Federal statutes, regulations, policies, procedures or restrictions is amended, revised, altered, or repealed.

Remarks	
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* This field is intended to be included in the standardized Notice of Award and will be displayed in subsequent quarters.