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Development, Operation & Expansion of Community-based & Prevention-focused Programs	Services Provided to Families by Local Programs	Unmet Needs Identified by the Inventory
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The New York State Office of Children and Family Services, administering agency for the Trust Fund, conducts on-going leadership activities including quarterly meetings for purposes of networking, technical assistance and planning, and to give voice to families. • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thirteen Family Resource Centers (22 sites), and one domestic violence program were supported by CBCAP funds during the fiscal year. Family Resource Center core services included: parent education and support; information and referral; home visits; group support; family social activities; parent-child activities; links to early intervention and health services; respite and crisis care; and parent leadership opportunities in developing, operating and governing the centers. • Based upon identified community needs, family resource centers also linked to optional or complementary services including: job training and career opportunities; child care and early childhood education; supervised visitation; family literacy; ESL; naturalization; and services for persons with disabilities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Trust Fund identifies the following unmet needs as fairly constant: service accessibility, language barriers, and social isolation among families. The Trust Fund also identifies the following populations as chronically underserved: adolescent parents, fathers, and military families. • The Trust Fund identifies the following populations as having been successfully served by CBCAP funded programs: families mandated to receive services; families of children with disabilities; families with limited English proficiency; non-custodial parents; and grandparents raising children. • Community outreach among CBCAP funded programs is flexible in order to meet the unique needs of individual communities. Local programs connect with schools, faith-based and community organizations; neighborhoods and targeted home visits to reach prospective participants.
Description of Number of Families Served	Outreach to Special Populations	Parent Leadership
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CBCAP funded programs provided direct services to more than 8,700 children, caregivers and other family members during the fiscal year. Child and family violence prevention education and training reached more than 4, 184 children, parents, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) funding support fatherhood advocate positions at 15 Healthy Families programs providing home visits, support groups and revised materials to included language and photos that portray fathers' involvement in parenting. OCFS also supports an agency-wide Fatherhood Workgroup that co-sponsored a statewide Fatherhood 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CDCAP funded programs are required to document consumer involvement in the planning and development of proposed services. In addition, Family Resource Centers must include parents on Community Advisory Groups, and parents contribute to annual Program Self-

<p>community members and professionals.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Of adults served, 12 percent had disabilities. Of children served, 12 percent had disabilities. 	<p>Conference.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OCFS organized a Limited English Proficiency workgroup to align policies, written materials and best practices. • OCFS sponsored a Racial Equality and Cultural Competence Initiative to examine disproportionate minority representation, cultural competence, OCFS policies, best practice and related issues affecting children and families served by the agency. 	<p>Assessments and Peer Reviews.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Twenty parent representatives from the Family Resource Center network attended the 13th Annual Child Abuse Prevention Conference. Parent recommendations for workshop topics were incorporated into the Conference curriculum.
<p>Training and Technical Assistance</p>	<p>Child Abuse Prevention Month Activities</p>	<p>Innovative Funding Mechanisms</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Trust Fund provides a range of training, technical and evaluation assistance to CBCAP funded programs including: routine site visits; quarterly and final program reviews; and dissemination of research and best practice information. • As part of an effort to support and direct the statewide network by providing opportunities to share knowledge and resources, the Trust Fund sponsored an annual networking meeting at the Child Abuse Prevent Conference for all Trust Fund sponsored programs. • Most CBCAP funded programs participated in the New York State Family Development Credential (FDC) training developed by Cornell University. All new Trust Fund programs are encouraged to consider FDC training for their staff, and FDC training is required for Family Resource Center programs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CBCAP funds supported a variety of Child Abuse Prevention Month activities based upon the needs and characteristics of communities including, for example: family activity nights; Pinwheels for Prevention; newsletters and program calendars sent to WIC centers, child care providers, Even Start programs and physicians; and displays at community fairs. • Trust Fund staff organized the New York Loves Safe Babies annual event where OCFS, other state agencies, and 14 community organizations shared child safety information with hundreds of parents and other caregivers. Caregivers accessed resources on FRCs, vehicle safety, breastfeeding and other aspects of child health and safety. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding for the Trust Fund comes from two primary sources. Federal funding is allocated to the lead agency by the CBCAP grant program, and New York State provides annual support through an appropriation in the State budget. The state funding provides the required state match for Federal CBCAP funds, maximizing the total amount of funding available for child abuse prevention programs.
<p>Linkages with Other Systems (Child Welfare, PSSF, Early Childhood, etc.)</p>	<p>A. PART Data Efficiency Measure that Supports EBP and EIP Practices</p>	<p>B. Demonstration of High Level of Satisfaction Among Families</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OCFS as the oversight agency of the 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year-end final reports submitted by funded

<p>statewide, locally administered child welfare system, engages in a number of systems change activities through: Child and Family Services Review and Program Improvement Plan; Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems planning process; Title IV-B planning process for a statewide family resource and support network; and New York State's Child and Family Services Plan.</p>		<p>programs include measures of family satisfaction. Quantitative and qualitative data on overall program documentation, program site visits, and peer reviews revealed that families view programs as helpful, citing the valuable resources and support received.</p>
<p>C. Results of Peer Review</p>	<p>D. Evaluation Data on Funded Programs, the Lead Agency & the Network</p>	<p>Other Elements:</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three funded programs participated in the Peer Review process during the fiscal year. Two sites used the booklet entitled <i>Outreach and Engaging Families</i> from <i>How are We Doing</i>, and one site piloted the <i>FRIENDS Program Services and Activities General Information Subscale</i>. All three sites submitted forms to track the Peer Review Response Plan for each change they planned to implement. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An agreement between OCFS/Trust Fund and the Center for Human Services Research supported efforts to maintain and upgrade the Family Resource Center data system. • As part of the contractual obligation, CBCAP funded programs are required by the Trust Fund to report on specific performance targets related to verifiable improvements in the condition or behavior of the target population, and measureable outcomes on core services. Programs also reported personal testimonials and case summaries with their yearly final reports. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Bureau of Program and Community Development, which houses the Trust Fund, is developing a strategic plan to address areas including program development, streamlining the contract process, enhancing communication, professional development and training. • OCFS is the oversight agency of the statewide, locally administered child welfare system. Through a variety of activities, OCFS collaborates with an array of stakeholders to advocate for systemic change that can improve child welfare outcomes for children and families through child welfare, early childhood and other programs, agencies and organizations.

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Population-Based Allocations:	\$1,573,885
Leveraged-Funds-Based Allocations:	\$ 42,198
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