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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 Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) is the designated lead agency for the administration of CBCAP programs. In addition, VDSS administers other prevention grants and programs including: Healthy Families, Promoting Safe and Stable Families, the Head Start Collaboration Grant, and the Child Care and Development Fund. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Virginia's Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Programs provide primary and/or secondary prevention services targeting families identified as at risk for child abuse or neglect, as well as communities and the general population. Thirteen programs were supported by CBCAP funds during the fiscal year. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Five programs use the Healthy Families model. Two programs use the Comprehensive Health Investment Project (CHIP) model targeting low-income families with children under six years-of-age. One program uses the Resource Mothers model, targeting pregnant teens and teen mothers. One program uses the Parents as Teachers model. One program uses the PEPstart model for home visiting and parent education. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Assessment Plans are used as a guide in determining needs for each geographical area, and are the primary resource for the Inventory of Services and Needs. Grantees are required to demonstrate a link between their program objectives and strategies, and the critical needs of the communities they serve. Service gaps identified by the assessment and addressed by CBCAP programs include: teen parents; homeless families; parenting skills training; fatherhood programs; transportation; housing and other material assistance; teen pregnancy prevention; community education and information; parents with disabilities; health related education and awareness; violence prevention; parenting education; families of children with disabilities; leadership and social skills training; life management skills training; and non-English speaking families.
Description of Number of Families Served	Outreach to Special Populations	Parent Leadership
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> During the fiscal year, CBCAP programs served: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1,141 families; 48 were homeless. 913 children, 44 with disabilities. 1,272 adults, 46 with disabilities. Through multi-media public awareness and outreach activities, CBCAP funded programs and activities reached an estimated 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programs supported by CBCAP funds provided services to the following special populations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> children and families living in rural areas; Hispanic families; and teen parents and their families. Services included, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> home visits, transportation to medical appointments, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requests for Proposals issued by the Lead Agency require that applicant programs ensure and report the meaningful involvement of parents in ongoing planning, implementation and evaluation of funded programs and services. Six funded programs formed ongoing Parent Advisory Groups. All funded programs solicit comments and feedback from parents.

<p>3,294,516 persons.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Through public awareness and outreach activities through other media, including brochures, posters, internet and Child Abuse Prevention Month activities, CBCAP funded programs and activities reached an estimated 3,575,221 persons. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> crisis intervention, parenting education, support groups, and supporting parents to take leadership roles. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programs report the following strategies used to involve parents: Advisory Council and committee membership; teaching other parents and leading support group discussions; participating in trainings; selecting topics for parenting classes, support groups and workshops; evaluating sessions and activities; providing feedback on planning, implementation and evaluation; and recruiting participants, promoting services and marketing prevention concepts.
<p>Training and Technical Assistance</p>	<p>Child Abuse Prevention Month Activities</p>	<p>Innovative Funding Mechanisms</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VDSS held a one-day meeting for CBCAP funded programs in order to provide technical assistance with statistical and fiscal reporting; evidence based practice; peer review and monitoring; and outreach activities. The Lead Agency also provided on-going consultation via telephone and E-mail and provided follow-up on quarterly and annual reporting as needed. Four CBCAP funded programs received on-site monitoring during the fiscal year. Monitoring visits provided opportunities to review program and fiscal records for contract compliance, to meet staff and provide technical assistance to program managers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Virginia Department of Social Services in partnership with Prevent Child Abuse Virginia spearheads a coalition of agencies and organizations charged with planning and promoting Child Abuse Prevention Month. These two partners work with the Prevention Month Coalition to craft and distribute a public awareness packet, containing 31 inserts addressing parenting, safety, child development and community topics, to approximately 2,000 individuals, agencies and organizations each year. Copies of the packet are also available electronically. For 19 years, the Coalition has promoted the Blue Ribbon Campaign to promote awareness of child abuse and prevention efforts. Each year in Virginia, tens of thousands of blue ribbons are given out across the state by hundreds of organizations. VDSS, Prevent Child Abuse Virginia and a number of partner agencies and organizations co-sponsored a one-day child abuse prevention conference that was attended by 180 people from across the state. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One goal of the Virginia Department of Social Services is to see that programs continue after grants funds are no longer available to support programs. To support this goal, grantees seek a variety of funding options and blend local, state and federal funds. In addition, some programs solicit individual, corporate and foundation donations. About one-third of total funding for local programs consisted of non-federal matching funds.
<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"> CBCAP programs provide quarterly updates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Of CBCAP supported programs, six programs are 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eleven of twelve CBCAP funded programs

<p>on local collaborative efforts to fill service gaps. Strong working relationships have been formed by local programs with local departments of social services, health departments, hospitals, doctors, organizations that serve homeless populations, mental health agencies, Head Start programs and schools.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VDSS convenes the Child Welfare Advisory Committee each quarter in order to provide guidance in the implementation of CFSR/PIP and IV-B. • VDSS participated on the Virginia Parent Education Coalition (VSPEC). VSPEC sponsors an annual parenting education conference attended by CBCAP and other child abuse prevention programs. • The CBCAP Lead Agency participates on the Smart Beginnings early childhood initiative to highlight the importance of the health and development of children beginning at birth and extending to kindergarten. 	<p>emerging and evidence-informed programs and practices; seven are promising programs and practices; four are supported programs and practices; one is a well-supported program and practices; and four are programs lacking support or positive evidence.</p>	<p>providing direct service included consumer satisfaction evaluation results in their final reports. Based upon measures of consumer satisfaction, funded programs met or exceeded the expectations clients held for the programs they attended.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program elements rated by clients included: quality of services; support and understanding received; overall satisfaction with services; satisfaction with elements of services; perceived benefits of having participated; ability to implement strategies and techniques taught in class; achievement of goals; the degree to which parents would recommend the program to others; and parents' perceptions of positive change in behavior as a result of having completed the program.
<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"> • Virginia's CBCAP peer review process was developed through the use of resources from FRIENDS and is based upon models offered by Vermont and Massachusetts CBCAP programs. Prior to on-site visits, two orientations are held via conference calls to review objectives of the review, set an agenda, identify who should be involved, review the instrument, and discuss the process. • The peer review process includes educating the review team on the organization's 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As part of their grant proposal, each CBCAP funded program submitted an evaluation plan outlining goals and objectives and describing methods and criteria they planned to use to qualitatively and quantitatively measure project performance and analyze results. • Grantees used different evaluation tools including pre- and post-tests, consumer satisfaction surveys, curricula related tools, and nationally recognized evaluation tools. • Most grantees measured: child development; child medical care; parenting knowledge and skills; parent-child interaction; stress management; parents' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Lead Agency works with several initiatives that provide opportunities to advocate for system change and partner with other state agencies and communities to improve collaboration in developing a continuum of services. • Prevention initiatives were incorporated as part of the Child and Family Services Five-Year State Plan. CBCAP activities including funding local sub-grantees, Child Abuse Prevention Month activities, and development and implementation of the state child abuse

<p>program and structure; interviewing program participants, staff, board members and community stakeholders; observing practices; reviewing documentation; answering questions and providing suggestions; discussing self-assessment and reflecting on strengths and strategies for growth; and writing up a follow-up report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two CBCAP funded programs received on-site peer reviews during the fiscal year. 	<p>confidence; and the number of substantiated child protective services reports.</p>	<p>prevention plan contributed to systemic change.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Lead Agency participated in a Governor initiated Home Visiting Discussion Group convened in order to promote discussion among all state-funded early childhood home visiting programs, and to generate recommendations and a plan of action to address key issues.
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State Allowable Claims:	\$487,409
Population-Based Allocations:	\$631,706
Leveraged-Funds-Based Allocations:	\$27,474
Final State Allocations:	\$659,180

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