COVID-19 Child Welfare Rapid Response Fund

Overview:

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Arnall Family Foundation will provide individual grants of up to $20,000 to organizations in Oklahoma who serve children, youth, and families impacted by the child welfare and juvenile justice systems. Social distancing guidelines are drastically changing the way these systems operate, but we believe that, now more than ever, it is important to help youth, foster families, kinship families, and families of origin feel connected and supported. Grants may be awarded to governmental organizations (with fiscal sponsors) and non-governmental organizations, and collaborations among multiple organizations are encouraged. We are specifically seeking proposals that fall into one or more of the following three areas:

- Technology (hardware, software, internet or phone service) provided to:
  - Support youth involved in child welfare and/or juvenile justice systems
  - Facilitate interactions between children in foster care and their family of origin
  - Support placement stability for children in foster and kinship placements
  - Support reunification efforts for families involved in the child welfare system
  - Support permanency for children involved in the child welfare system
- Programs that support kinship families, through service or resource provision
- Programs that provide informal care options for foster families

Eligibility:

- Government and nonprofit organizations located in Oklahoma are invited to apply
- Government organizations must identify a 501(c)(3) fiscal sponsor in order to receive funds
- Organizations must have an operating budget of at least $350,000
- Faith-based organizations are not eligible for funding

Key Dates:

- Applications will be made available on Monday, April 20, 2020 on the Arnall Family Foundation website
- Applications will close on Monday, April 27, 2020 at 11:59 PM CST
- Award notifications will be communicated by Friday, May 1, 2020

Technology-Specific Proposal Details:

- Hardware purchased must remain the property of the applying organization
- Software and hardware purchases should be repurposed to meet the organization’s needs once typical operations resume
- Technology-facilitated activities may include, but are not limited to:
  - Court hearings
- Parent-child interactions
- Support groups
- Telehealth
- Visits with case workers, attorneys, and/or court appointed special advocates (CASAs)
- Educational and learning opportunities

**Application Information:**

The following information will be requested through the grant application:

- Organization name and contact information
- Organization financials
- Indication of whether federal stimulus funding has been sought
- Project description
- Project budget
- Project partners, if applicable
- Geographic area served
- Population served (youth, foster families, kinship families, and/or families of origin)
- Projected number of youth or families served
- Expected outcomes
- Potential obstacles
- Description of how software or hardware purchases will be utilized when typical operations resume, if applicable

**Contact Information:**

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