

REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS (RFA)

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT CAPACITY BUILDING

RFA Designation Number: PRO 2026 – 01

Release Date: 08/29/2025 Addendum 1: 09/05/2025

Amount Per Application: \$1,500 up to \$10,000

Total Grant Allocation: \$225,000

Contract Term if Awarded: 01/12/2026 - 7/12/2026

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ABOUT THE CHILDREN'S BOARD

In 1988, Hillsborough County residents agreed that improving supports and services to our county's children and families was a major priority for our community's future. Thus, the Children's Board was established in 1989 as a Special Taxing District allowing a levy not to exceed 50 cents per \$1,000 of the assessed property tax. The Children's Board is committed to funding opportunities through strategic grant development principles, leveraging strategies and research with community perspectives in mind to promote wellness, learning, professional development, and enhance service delivery systems.

VISION

Hillsborough County will be recognized as one of the top places in the nation to raise children.

MISSION

The Children's Board invests in partnerships and quality programs to support the success of all children and families in Hillsborough County.

CORE VALUES: Integrity - Excellence - Team Work - Respect

FUNDING PLATFORMS: The Children's Board of Hillsborough County has established four primary funding platforms to support its strategic focus areas:

- Investment Grants (more than \$1,000,000);
- Uniting Grants (between \$300,000 and \$999,999);
- Leading Grants (up to \$299,999); and
- Technical Assistance Grants (under \$10,000).

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT

The Children's Board is a local leader in supporting capacity building efforts of non-profit organizations. Technical Assistance (TA) Grants help agencies to improve the quality and accessibility of their services and supports to children and families. In fiscal year 2025, the Children's Board awarded TA Capacity Building Grants to nine local non-profit agencies.

FOCUS AREAS

<u>Children are Healthy and Safe:</u> Early preventative health and education prepares a family to develop nurturing and healthy habits which are enhanced by coordination with community partners including healthcare systems and primary care providers.

<u>Children are Developmentally on Track:</u> Early identification of developmental needs for children birth to age five is essential for optimizing a child's potential and serves as an opportunity for caregivers to learn more about their child's current developmental functioning.

<u>Children are Ready to Learn and Succeed</u>: School readiness services for young children ages birth to five should be designed in a way that fosters a nurturing, safe and healthy environment for children and respects a family's cultural values. In addition, quality early learning must also promote early caregiver involvement and professional development for early care educators. Later school success works best in collaboration with teachers, administrators, and parents to provide support consistent with developmental and grade level benchmarks.

<u>Family Support</u>: Support for the whole family is essential for strengthening stability and overall well-being. Family support plays an important role in a young child's brain development because early experiences developed through positive relationships establish the foundation for secure attachments and future physical, cognitive, and social-emotional health.

Additional information may be accessed on the website at <u>www.childrensboard.orq</u>.

SECTION ONE – BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1.1 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- A Grantee will be responsible to register with and use an E-Verify system, to ensure compliance with E-Verify requirements, and verify the work authorization status of all employees paid for with Children's Board of Hillsborough County funding as referenced in Florida Statute s. 448.095.
- A Grantee will be responsible for completing a Human Trafficking No Coercion for Labor declaration to certify that it does not and will not use coercion for labor or services as defined in s. 787.06(2)(a), Florida Statutes.
- A Grantee will be responsible for completing a Foreign Countries of Concern Prohibited declaration attesting that it is not owned by the government of a foreign country of concern as identified in s. 287.138(1)(c), Florida Statutes; does not have a controlling interest in the Grantee and is not organized under the laws of, or has its principal place of business in a foreign country of concern.
- CBHC accepts no responsibility for any expense incurred by the Applicant in the preparation and presentation of such Application. Such expenses shall be borne exclusively by the Applicant.
- If awarded, the contract <u>is not subject to renewal</u> and will follow a cost reimbursement model.

1.2 SCOPE OF SERVICES

1.2.1 INTRODUCTION

Technical Assistance (TA) Grants are intended to assist not-for-profit organizations aligned with CBHC focus areas, in building their capacity through strategic activities that strengthen their ability to operate effectively over the long term. Appropriate capacity-building Activities (also called Services) should focus on:

- **Governance:** Management and administration of resources to achieve organization/program goals which may or may not include Board Development.
- **Management:** Improve organizational systems and coordinate the efforts of its employees or volunteers to perform functions effectively.
- **Finance:** Establish or improve the organization's existing financial reporting structure and environment.
- **Fund Development**: Income generation or stewardship of resources including capital, grants, cash, or in-kind support.
- Program Improvements: May include a new implementation of evidence-based, evidence-informed, or best practice tools or resources.
- Safety: Focused on the safety and wellbeing of children in communities within Hillsborough County.

Appropriate activities include, but are not limited to, technology support upgrades, staff professional development, equipment or curriculum, marketing plan, Board development/training, organizational strategic plan, sustainability/succession planning, educational safety events, or playground access/improvements.

Applications for **one-time**, **time-limited grants** will be considered with a maximum award of \$10,000.00. If awarded, the grant activities must be completed by **July 12**, **2026**.

Special Note: Contract Term is not subject to extensions.

1.2.2 ELIGIBILITY

Applicants eligible for funding include not-for-profit corporations and governmental organizations legally operating in the state of Florida and verifiable at www.sunbiz.org that:

- 1) Have an overall organization budget of \$3 million or less;
- 2) Serve children and families in Hillsborough County in alignment with Children's Board focus areas; and
- 3) Was not awarded a Technical Assistance Grant during Fiscal Year 2025 (October 1, 2024 September 30, 2025).

The Children's Board releases funding opportunities each year based on revenue projections, contract terms ending, and Board approval. At this time the CBHC is <u>not</u> seeking to fund the following services or organizations:

- 1) Salaries;
- 2) Direct Services;
- 3) Grant Writers;
- 4) Program Furnishings;
- 5) Minor construction or renovations;
- 6) Vehicles;
- Costs related to Program or Organization new start-up;
- 8) Private, Public, or Charter schools;
- 9) Child Care Centers or Family Child Care Homes; or
- 10) Multiple technical assistance grants from the same organization.

1.3 RESTRICTED COMMUNICATIONS

Communication with Children's Board personnel, Community Review Team members, and/or CBHC Governing Board members regarding this Request for Applications, from date of release through Board review or approval may result in disqualification of the proposal.

1.4 INFORMATION SESSION

- To join from a computer, tablet or smartphone see Microsoft Teams link below:
 Join the meeting now (Click on "Join the meeting now")
- If the link above does not open, click link below and enter Meeting ID and Passcode. https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-teams/join-a-meeting

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- The complete URL for meeting: <a href="https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_NDA2NGMwMmMtOWYzOSooYTkxLTkzMDQtNDAoMmNhODc5ZDlw%4othread.v2/o?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2247e27f33-2e96-4e8f-9705-fca681c7abo2%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%223e675778-4aco-4f2b-9091-1307774a34e3%22%7d
- Dial in by phone: +1 323-813-7519 Phone conference ID: 344 111 461#

Special Note: Virtual attendance via Microsoft Teams: Must use the chat to sign in with organization name, full name of attendee, main contact email.

1.5 PROCESS TIMELINE – DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

DEADLINE / DUE DATE	ACTIVITY
09/08/2025 at 6:00 pm	Information Session via Microsoft Teams Not mandatory No pre-registration required to attend.
09/16/2025 by 11:59pm	Written Applicant Questions Written Proposer questions may be submitted to: <u>CBHCFundingRelease@ChildrensBoard.org</u> Use RFA Designation number in subject line. PRO 2026-01 Technical Assistance Grants – Capacity Building
09/22/2025	Final Answers to Questions posted on CBHC website under Funding Opportunities
10/7/2025 by 11:59 pm	Application Submission www.cbhcgrants.smapply.org/ https://cbhcgrants.smapply.org/
Week of 10/20/2025	Community Review Team
To Be Determined	Grant awards are announced.
01/12/2026 – 07/12/2026	If awarded: Contract Start Date

SECTION TWO – APPLICATION GUIDELINES AND SUBMISSION

2. COVER SHEET AND SIGNATURE PAGE (SURVEYMONKEY APPLY FORM <u>AND</u> UPLOAD ATTACHMENT #1) 2 POINTS

The Cover Sheet and Signature Page has two components and is required for submission.

- The Cover Sheet is a series of questions about the Applicant Organization and Project to be completed within SurveyMonkey Apply.
- Download the Attachment #1 to print Signature Page form www.childrensboard.org/budgeting/revenues-and-expenditures/funding-opportunities/
- An Authorized Agency Official must sign the document.
- Scan and upload the document to SurveyMonkey Apply.

2.1 CONCEPT PAPER (SURVEYMONKEY APPLY FORM)

2.1.1 ORGANIZATIONAL OVERVIEW AND CAPABILITY (MAXIMUM 500 WORDS) 12 POINTS

Provide relevant information in the following areas that demonstrates the Applicant's capability to carry out the objectives and activities described in the Application:

- a) List of management staff members to include names, titles (indication if paid or volunteer), and
- b) Provide a brief statement explaining how cash reserves will be used to pay for and invoice CBHC using a cost reimbursement model.

2.1.2 PROJECT SUMMARY (MAXIMUM 350 WORDS) 12 POINTS

- a) Describe the identified organizational need;
- b) Provide detail of the services and/or items to be purchased by what date; and
- c) Briefly describe how the project supports the vision and mission of the CBHC.

2.1.3 IMPACT STATEMENT (MAXIMUM 400 WORDS) 12 POINTS

- a) Explain how the project will enable the organization to increase capacity that strengthens its ability to operate effectively over the long term; and
- b) Describe how the organization's target population(s) will benefit.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION BUDGET (SURVEYMONKEY APPLY UPLOAD ATTACHMENT #2) 10 POINTS

The Budget summarizes the revenues and expenditures for the Project proposed in the Application. Verify that the organization and Project name match the information provided on the Cover Sheet. Refer to Technical Assistance Budget Instructions in **Appendix (#3)**.

Download the Budget from <u>www.childrensboard.org/budgeting/revenues-and</u> <u>expenditures/funding-opportunities/</u> and complete.

Special Notes:

• The Children's Board will pay up to \$800 to cover the cost of registration fees only for a conference or training.

2.3 BOARD OF DIRECTORS (SURVEYMONKEY APPLY UPLOAD ATTACHMENT #3) 2 POINTS

Download the Board of Directors from <u>www.childrensboard.org/budgeting/revenues-and-expenditures/funding-opportunities/</u> and complete.

Special Note: This list will not be shared or used to solicit donations.

2.4 SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION (SURVEYMONKEY APPLY UPLOAD) NOT SCORED

The following are **required** and must be submitted with Application:

- Vendor Services-Contractual scope of service including rates, deliverables/units of service and resume(s) (if applicable); and
- If a <u>Board Member</u> is being used as a contracted vendor for the Project, the Applicant must submit <u>three</u> quotes for the service, to include a quote from the Board Member.

2.5 SUBMISSION PROCESS

The following tasks must be completed via SurveyMonkey Apply, accessed at www.cbhcgrants.smapply.org/ https://cbhcgrants.smapply.org/

- a) **Cover Sheet** (Form in SurveyMonkey Apply)
- b) **Signature Page** (Attachment 1 template provided, upload to SurveyMonkey Apply)
- c) Concept Paper (Form in SurveyMonkey Apply)
- d) **Technical Assistance Application Budget** (Attachment 2 template provided, upload to SurveyMonkey Apply)

- e) **Board of Directors** (Attachment 3 template provided, upload to SurveyMonkey Apply)
- f) **Supporting Documentation** (No template provided; upload to SurveyMonkey Apply)

Special Note:

- Proposers must hit "Submit" in SurveyMonkey Apply for their proposal to be considered. Any proposals saved but not submitted will be considered ineligible.
- All templates can be found on the CBHC website located at: <u>www.childrensboard.org/budgeting/revenues-and-expenditures/funding-opportunities/</u>
- Applications will not be accepted by e-mail, mail, courier, or hand delivery.
- Please see the SurveyMonkey Apply Applicant Guide, **Appendix (#2)** for directions on how to use the online grant application system, contact information for SurveyMonkey Apply support staff, and links to frequently asked Applicant guestions.

Failure to comply with the submission instructions may result in disqualification.

2.6 APPENDIX DOCUMENTS ARE FOR INFORMATION ONLY

The Appendix documents guide the applicant in completing the Concept Paper as well as all attachments. A strategy in completing the application is cross-checking the scoring criteria against the submission.

- 1) Relevant Governing Board Policies / Standard Conditions for Procurement
- 2) SurveyMonkey Apply Applicant Guide
- 3) Technical Assistance Budget Instructions
- 4) Community Review Team (CRT) Scoring Criteria

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Appendix (#1) - Relevant Governing Board Policies / Standard Conditions for Procurement

RELEVANT GOVERNING BOARD POLICIES

1.1 FUNDING ELIGIBILITY

Proposers eligible for funding include not-for-profit corporations and governmental organizations legally operating in the state of Florida.

By statute Section 125.901, Florida Statutes, as it existed prior to October 1, 1990, the CBHC Board will not provide funding to programs or agencies that are under the exclusive jurisdiction of the School District of Hillsborough County. However, the Board may fund services through other organizations which are coordinated with and complement the services provided by the School District of Hillsborough County, and such services may be provided on sites owned or administered by the School District of Hillsborough County.

Funding may be provided for programs through faith-based or religious organizations if the program serves a secular purpose and if the principal or primary effect of the program is one that neither advances nor inhibits religion. Additionally, the program must not require worship or religious instruction activities as a condition of participation. All agencies funded by the Children's Board will be required to meet the same high level of professional standards and quality assurance measures.

1.2 SPECIAL FUNDING PARAMETERS

CBHC funding or resources shall not be used to replace funding for activities for which other local, state, or federal governmental agencies are obligated by statute, administrative rule, or local ordinance to support, except in the following instances:

- The Board will consider funding of health services (and other services of a
 preventive nature) provided that a determination is made by the CBHC Executive
 Director that these services cannot be funded through other agencies established to
 provide them. In those cases where the Board may fund such services, a plan to
 obtain funding from other appropriate sources at the earliest possible time will be
 formulated by the provider agency and approved by the Board.
- The Board will not fund academic and recreational activities unless a determination is made that these services cannot be funded through other agencies. In those cases where the Board may fund such services, a plan to obtain funding from other appropriate sources at the earliest possible time will be formulated by the provider agency and approved by the Board.
- The Board will not provide programmatic funding for real property acquisition or building construction.
- Agencies applying for funding or currently funded by the Children's Board may not reduce or redirect funding from another source either in anticipation of, or as a consequence of, receiving funding from the Children's Board without the prior

approval of the Board. However, the Children's Board encourages funded programs to develop other sources of funding from both public and private entities, including corporate support and individual contributions.

1.3 STAFF AFFILIATION WITH OTHER AGENCIES

No member of the Children's Board staff will serve as a Board member of any agency funded by the Children's Board. Staff may serve as non-voting consultants to such agencies for the purpose of providing technical assistance with the approval of the Executive Director of the Children's Board. CBHC staff already serving on governing bodies of agencies which make a proposal for funding to the Children's Board will take a leave of absence until a decision is made regarding the proposal. If funding is approved, the CBHC staff member concerned must resign membership on the governing authority. No CBHC staff member will accept any compensation from an organization funded by the Children's Board.

1.4 UNIVERSAL ACCESS TO CHILDREN'S BOARD FUNDED SERVICES AND RESOURCES

Services and resources funded by the Children's Board are available to all eligible families, as determined by the funded agency's admission criteria.

STANDARD CONDITIONS FOR PROCUREMENT

2.1 EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AND NONDISCRIMINATION

The CBHC encourages the participation of minority, faith-based, and grassroots organizations in all contracts. No person or legal entity will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise discriminated against in connection with the award and performance of any Children's Board procurement on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, age, gender, sexual orientation, disability, or marital status.

The Grantee shall not discriminate in providing services on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, age, gender, sexual orientation, disability, or marital status.

2.2 NO ORAL INTERPRETATIONS

Responses, interpretations, explanations, corrections, and changes in this Request for Applications will only be made by written answers to Proposers' questions submitted prior to the deadline for such questions and/or by addendum. Interpretations, explanations, corrections, and changes of the Request for Applications made in any other manner, or communicated orally by Children's Board staff will not be binding on the Children's Board and Proposers shall not rely upon them.

2.3 QUESTIONS FROM PROPOSERS AND CHILDREN'S BOARD'S RESPONSE

All responses to Proposers' questions about the Request for Applications will be in writing. Questions and answers will be posted on the CBHC Website. Should any questions or responses require revisions to the Request for Applications, such revisions will be by addendum only, and posted on CBHC Website.

2.4 ADDENDUM AND INCOMPLETE PROPOSALS

Proposers are responsible for complying with any addendum issued. FAILURE TO RESPOND TO ANY ITEM, INCLUDING ANY REQUESTED INFORMATION, OR FAILURE TO FOLLOW THIS PROCUREMENT DOCUMENT MAY RESULT IN THE SUBMISSION OF AN INCOMPLETE PROPOSAL AND MAY RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION OF THE PROPOSAL FROM FURTHER CONSIDERATION.

2.5 RIGHT TO SEEK AND CONSIDER CLARIFYING INFORMATION

The Children's Board may seek clarifying information regarding any Proposal. Such clarifying information shall be provided by the Proposer in writing.

2.6 REJECTION OF PROPOSALS OR PROPOSERS

The Children's Board reserves the right to reject any Proposals with or without cause, to waive technicalities or informalities, and/or to accept a Proposal which best serves the interests of the Children's Board as described in this procurement document.

Any Proposal determined to be non-responsive to any specification or requirement of the RFA document, including instructions governing submissions of Proposals, may be disqualified without evaluation.

Proposers who violate the provisions of this procurement document may be rejected from the selection process.

2.7 COST REIMBURSEMENT PAYMENTS

Grantees will be paid on a cost reimbursement basis. This will require applying organizations to have the financial resources with evidence of two (2) months of available reserves to pay operating expenses of the program prior to receiving payment from CBHC.

2.8 CHILDREN'S BOARD'S CONTRACT

By submitting a Proposal, the Proposer agrees if an award is offered, the agency will perform the Services to contract specifications. The Proposer will, upon such selection, execute a standard CBHC contract for program Services. Execution of the contract will be contingent on availability of funds and Board approval.

2.9 AWARD OF CONTRACT

The contract for Services will be awarded to the organization submitting a Proposal that is determined to be best aligned with the desired outcomes of the Children's Board. No contract shall exist between the Children's Board and the selected organization until the written contract is signed by the Children's Board and the selected organization. The Children's Board reserves the right to negotiate the revision of the Scope of Services with the successful Proposer(s) as deemed necessary to meet the desired outcomes. The Children's Board reserves the right to award different elements or components to different Proposers as determined to meet the intent of the RFA. Awards are not based solely on scores from the Community

Review Team. The Children's Board also considers its priority populations, available funds, and/or local data driven community needs for families and their young children.

2.10 PROHIBITIONS ON PROPOSERS WHO ARE FORMER CBHC EMPLOYEES AND BOARD MEMBERS

For a period of two (2) years from the date a Children's Board employee or Board member ceases his/her employment or Board member duties with CBHC, the CBHC will not award a consulting or services contract to that individual.

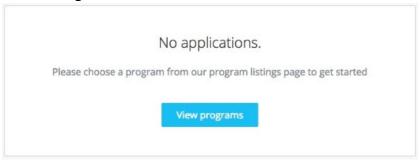
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SURVEYMONKEY APPLY APPLICANT GUIDE

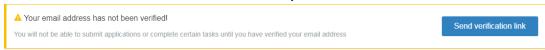
- I. Google Chrome is the recommended internet browser.
 - A. Google Chrome may be downloaded at https://www.google.com/chrome/.
- II. The link to SurveyMonkey Apply is-<u>www.cbhcgrants.smapply.org</u>.
 - https://cbhcgrants.smapply.org
- III. How to Register
 - A. Register on behalf of an organization
 - 1. Click Register;

- 2. Complete the required information for who will be the Organization's Main Administrator;
- 3. Click Create Account; and
- 4. You will be asked to enter additional details about the Organization such as the Organization's Name, Address, and Contact Information.
- B. Add members individually
 - Login as an organization administrator;
 - 2. Click on Manage Organization in the top right corner;
 - Click on Members;
 - 4. Click on **Add Member**;
 - 5. Enter the First Name, Last Name, and Email Address of the member;
 - 6. Select if they will have Administrative or Non-Administrative Access;
 - Primary Administrator: This is the organization member that initially creates the Organization and has full administrative control over the organization's members and applications. They will be able to transfer ownership of the organization, as well as edit and remove members of the organization at any time.
 - Administrator: These members have similar control over the organization's members and applications as the Primary Administrator. However, they will only be able to edit and remove non-administrative members, or inactive Administrators.
 - Non-Administrative Members: These members will be able to edit
 applications on behalf of the organization but will not have access to
 manage the organization's profile and members. They will also not be able
 to create or submit applications for an organization.
 - 7. Optional: If you have teams created, click to add them to a team;

- 8. Optional: Notify the user that you are adding them to the organization; and
- 9. Click Add.
- IV. Completing the Application
 - A. Locate the Application
 - 1. Click View Programs;



- 2. Click MORE > for the Application you wish to apply for; and
- 3. Click Apply.
- B. Verify the email associated with the account first by clicking **Send Verification Link** and follow the instructions sent in the email;

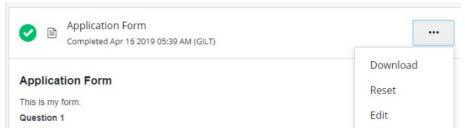


- C. Respond to all Application Tasks
 - Cover Sheet and Signature Page (template provided; SurveyMonkey Apply form and Attachment 1 template SurveyMonkey Apply upload);
 - The Signature Page may be found at https://www.childrensboard.org/budgeting/revenues-and-expenditures/funding-opportunities/
 - Concept Paper (SurveyMonkey Apply form);
 - Please avoid using ALL CAPS.
 - 3. Technical Assistance Application Budget (Attachment 2 template provided; SurveyMonkey Apply upload);
 - The Budget form may be found at https://www.childrensboard.org/budgeting/revenues-and-expenditures/funding-opportunities/
 - 4. Board of Directors (Attachment 3 template provided; SurveyMonkey Apply upload); and
 - 5. Supporting Documentation (no template provided; SurveyMonkey Apply upload).
- D. Mark each Task as Complete

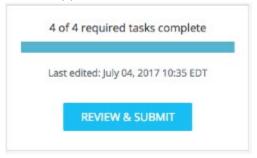
MARK AS COMPLETE

- E. Editing a Completed Task
 - 1. Enter your application;
 - 2. Click on the task you wish to edit;

3. Click on the More Options icon in the top right corner of the task;



- 4. Click Edit;
- 5. Click **Previous/ Next** to navigate between the pages and make your changes
- 6. When done, navigate to the bottom of the page and press Mark as Complete.
- F. Submit the Application
 - 1. Within the application to submit, select Review & Submit;



- 2. Review application materials;
- 3. Once you've reviewed all your completed tasks, you can click to **Submit Your Application**.
 - An email confirmation will be sent after submission.

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Appendix (#3)-Technical Assistance Budget Instructions

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE BUDGET INSTRUCTIONS

The Budget is a Microsoft Excel document and has three columns:

- Column 1 (left side): includes the Total Project Budget for the proposed Project;
- Column 2 (middle): details the funds requested in this Application from the Children's Board for this Project;
- Column 3 (right side): The Budget Narrative is the description of how the total Project budget amounts were determined for each line item. Describe how the figures were calculated and what items or services will be purchased with the dollars budgeted.

REVENUES

Include **all** funding for the Project being proposed in Column 1 titled, "Total Project Budget". These funds could be from individuals, corporations or businesses, foundations and trusts, special fund-raising events, etc. List the CBHC funds requested in this application in Column (2).

Sub-total and Total Revenues lines are automatically calculated.

In the budget narrative, start by explaining these sources of revenue and indicate whether funds are committed or anticipated (i.e., fund raising), and the timeframe the funds are available.

EXPENDITURES

- Column (1) should include all expenditures for the total Project proposed in the Application.
- Column (2) includes all the expenditures for the CBHC funds requested.
 - other independent contractors during the contract period. Vendor services are primarily used for one-time or time-limited activities. Define the vendor service in the narrative section, including a description of the service or deliverable and proposed fee. Attachments such as quotes, scope of services, and consultant resume must be submitted with the Application, if applicable.
 - **2) Facility Rental:** Facility rental cost for training or other event related to the Project proposed during the contract period.
 - **3) Conference Registration Fee:** Include the name of the conference, registration cost and who will be attending.
- **4) Rent & Lease/Equipment:** Include the rental cost for equipment. Briefly describe the cost and how it will be used in this Project.

- 5) **Printing & Copying:** Include outside printing cost and briefly describe specific items to be printed.
- 6) Outreach: Include advertising for Project activities or events, purchases of give- away items for outreach events, and vendor fees. Include a description of where the ads will be purchased and/or what types of items will be purchased and for what purpose.
- 7) Membership/Subscriptions/License: Include items that support and directly relate to the Project. Be specific with titles and if purchased for the organization or a staff member. Only include the cost of memberships, subscriptions, and licenses for up to one year.
- 8) Information Technology Expense: Include IT expense for data systems, servers or other organizational IT infrastructure. Provide detail of what is being purchased and how the amount was calculated.
- **9) Office Supplies:** Include consumable staff supplies. Provide detail of what will be purchased and how the amount was calculated
- **10)** Computer Supplies: Include computers, software, printer ink and other computer supplies. Provide detail of what will be purchased, how the amount was determined, and if for staff or community use. CBHC will pay a maximum of \$1,600 per computer (includes accessories).
- **11) Operating Supplies:** Include consumable supplies that are not educational, office or computer supplies. Provide detail of what will be purchased if known and how the amount was determined in the budget narrative.
- Project activities. This includes books, curriculum, educational toys, educational materials, snacks, back packs, basic need items, etc. Provide detail of what will be purchased and how the amount was calculated.
- **13) Evaluation Supplies:** Include tools and/or questionnaires purchased in order to evaluate the Project and/or participants in this line. Provide detail of what will be purchased and how the amount was calculated.
- **14) Training Supplies:** Include the cost of supplies when the organization is providing the training for the community, Project participants or staff members. Provide detail of what will be purchased and how the amount was calculated.
- 15) Capital Outlay: Includes capital expenditures for property used in performing Services under the Project. Such items must have a useful life of one year or more and a cost of \$10,000 or more. The Children's Board will not fund real property acquisition or building construction. The organization must maintain insurance on the full insurable value of capital goods purchased with funds provided by the CBHC.
- **16)** Excess (Deficit): Difference between total revenue and total expenditures. (All Children's Board Budget Request columns must be in balance no excess or deficit is allowed.)

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Technical Assistance Grant-Capacity Building
Appendix (#4)-Community Review Team Scoring Criteria

COMMUNITY REVIEW TEAM (CRT) SCORING CRITERIA

Evaluation and Selection Criteria	Points Range
2. COVER SHEET AND SIGNATURE PAGE (maximum 2 points)	(2)- All fields answered and completed
All information provided with no mistakes.	correctly;(o-1)-Most or no fields completed correctly.
 2.1.1 ORGANIZATIONAL OVERVIEW AND CAPABILITY (maximum 500 words) (maximum 12 points) a) List of management staff members to include names, titles (indication if paid or volunteer) and b) Provide a brief statement explaining how cash reserves will be used to pay for and invoice CBHC using a cost reimbursement model. 	Score (9-12)- All bullet points addressed; staff have appropriate qualifications to implement project; (5-8)- Some bullet points not addressed; or not well developed; (0-4)- Not well constructed; lacked too many details to ascertain organization capability of grant management.
 2.1.2 PROJECT SUMMARY (maximum 350 words) (maximum 12 points) a) Describe the identified organizational need; b) Provide detail of the services and/or items to be purchased by what date; and c) Briefly describe how the project supports the vision and mission of the CBHC. 	 (9-12)- All bullet points addressed; organization need, use, details, dates, and alignment with CBCH clear; (5-8)- Some bullet points not addressed; or lacked some details; (0-4)- Not well constructed; lacked too many details to determine project execution.
2.1.3 IMPACT STATEMENT (maximum 400 words) (maximum 12 points) a) Explain how the project will enable the organization to increase capacity that strengthens its ability to operate effectively over the long term; and	Score (9-12)- All bullet points addressed; organization growth and benefit to target population clear; (5-8)- Some bullet points not addressed; or lacked some details;

b) Describe how the organization's target population(s) will benefit.	(o-4)- Not well constructed; lacked too many details to determine benefit to organization and target population.
2.2 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION BUDGET (maximum 10 points) The budget is appropriate to carry out the objectives and activities described in the Application. The narrative clearly explains details of the line item costs and how amounts were calculated. Forms were not altered or changed.	(7-10)- All requirements met; expenditures connect to project; narratives explain calculations; and forms not altered; (6-9)- Some requirements not met; areas completed incorrectly or included unallowable expenses; connected project with some exceptions; some narratives cut off; (0-5)- Not well constructed; no connection to project.
 2.3 BOARD OF DIRECTORS (maximum 2 points) Use the provided template to list the names of the organization's current Board Members, including: Board Titles, if applicable Content Expertise Answer if employed by the organization 	Score (2) – All requirements met; content experts on the Board; (1) – Some information not provided; unclear content experts on the Board; (o) – Not completed correctly or attachment not provided.
 2.4 SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION (Not Scored) The following are required and must be submitted with Application: Vendor Services-Contractual scope of service including rates, deliverables/units of service and resume(s) (if applicable); and If a Board Member is being used as a contracted vendor for the Project, the Applicant must submit three quotes for the service, to include a quote from the Board Member. 	Included? Yes No Complete? Yes No
Total Points	/ 50