

**LOUISIANA COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT
AND ADMINISTRATION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

**APPLICATION AND REVIEW
SUMMARY**

APPLICATION NUMBER: C10-7-012

APPLICANT: Family Service Of Greater New Orleans

PROJECT TITLE: Child Sexual Abuse Counseling Program

PROJECT FUNDS :

FUND: \$ 11,678 80.00%
MATCH: \$ 2,920 20.00%
TOTAL: \$ 14,598 100.00%

PROJECT DURATION: 12 months

START DATE: 10/01/2010

END DATE: 09/30/2011

Continuation of C00-7-029

PROJECT SUMMARY:

To offer child victims of sexual abuse and/or severe physical abuse and their non-offending family members that have participated in the forensic interview at the Jefferson Children's Advocacy Center and from referrals from Jefferson Parish's law enforcement, Office of Community services, district attorney's office and juvenile services. To provide crisis counseling and short-term individual and family therapy to these victims and provide assistance with personal advocacy, safety measures and telephone contact.

RECOMMENDATION : FUND X DENY

SPECIAL CONDITIONS :

1. NO RELEASE OF 10% TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS BY LCLE UNTIL MONITORING REVIEW IS RECEIVED BY LCLE.
2. NO DRAWDOWN OF FUNDS (AWARD) UNTIL APPLICATION IS REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY LCLE STAFF.



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CRIME VICTIM ASSISTANCE
FORMULA GRANT PROGRAM

CFDA #16.575

FOR LCLE USE ONLY: Project ID: CJ0-7-012 CVA Purpose Area: 3

1. TITLE OF PROJECT Child Abuse Counseling Program	2. <input type="checkbox"/> NEW PROJECT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONTINUATION PROJECT OF: C09-7-012
3. PROJECT DURATION Total Length: <u>12</u> Months (Not to exceed 12 Months) Desired Start Date: 10/1/2010 Desired End Date: 9/30/2011	4. PROJECT FUNDS Federal Funds: \$11,678 Cash Match: \$2,920 In-Kind Match: Total Project: \$14,598
5A. APPLICANT AGENCY INFORMATION Agency Name: Family Service of Greater New Orleans Physical Address: 2515 Canal Street, Suite 201 City: New Orleans Zip: 70119-6437 Mailing Address: 2515 Canal Street, Suite 201 City: New Orleans Zip: 70119-6437 Phone: (504) 822-0800 FAX: (504) 822-0831 Email: rmccclain@fsgno.org	5B. AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL OF APPLICANT AGENCY Authorized Official: Ronald P. McClain Title: President & CEO Agency Name: Family Service of Greater New Orleans Address: 2515 Canal Street, Suite 201 City: New Orleans Zip: 70119-6437 Phone: (504) 822-0800 FAX: (504) 822-0831 Email: rmccclain@fsgno.org
Fed Employer Tax Id: 72 - 0408931 DUNS: 122622723 - CCR CAGE/NCAGE: SDPM2 CCR Expiration Date: 2/9/2011	

6. IMPLEMENTING AGENCY Name: Ronald P. McClain Title: President & CEO Agency: Family Service of G.N.O. Address: 2515 Canal Street, Suite 201 City: New Orleans Zip: 70119-6437 Phone: (504) 822-0800 FAX: (504) 822-0831 Email: rmccclain@fsgno.org	7. PROJECT DIRECTOR Name: Ginger Parsons, LCSW Title: Vice President of Programs Agency: Family Service of G.N.O. Address: 2515 Canal Street, Suite 201 City: New Orleans Zip: 70119-6437 Phone: (504) 827-4019 FAX: (504) 822-0831 Email: gparsons@fsgno.org	8. FINANCIAL OFFICER Name: Larry Taggart Title: Vice President of Finance Agency: Family Service of G.N.O. Address: 2515 Canal Street, Suite 201 City: New Orleans Zip: 70119-6437 Phone: (504) 827-4003 FAX: (504) 822-0831 Email: ltaggart@fsgno.org
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9. BRIEF PROJECT DESCRIPTION: (Please do not exceed space provided below.)

The Child Abuse Counseling Program is offered at the Jefferson Children's Advocacy Center (CAC) for child victims of sexual and/or severe physical abuse and their non-offending caregivers. Counseling services will be offered free of charge to children who participate in a forensic interview at the Jefferson CAC. The on-site therapist at the Jefferson CAC will be contracted through a cooperative endeavor between the Jefferson CAC and Family Service of Greater New Orleans (FSGNO). Counseling services will be individual in nature, although some sessions will include a familial component, and each child is provided with a maximum of twelve counseling sessions. The main purpose of the Child Abuse Counseling Program is to ensure that all children who give a digitally recorded disclosure/allegation of abuse receive confidential, culturally sensitive, and developmentally appropriate counseling services that address their emotional needs. In addition, the counseling program will provide the children and their families with personal advocacy, safety measures and plans, and referral/resource services upon termination of therapy.

VOCA PURPOSE AREAS

Please Check Type of Victimization Served (Check all that apply):

<input type="checkbox"/>	Sexual Assault
<input type="checkbox"/>	Domestic Abuse
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Child Abuse
<input type="checkbox"/>	Previously Underserved

State Type of Previously Underserved:

PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY

INSTRUCTIONS: The Checklist is self-explanatory. In Project Summary, applicable budget category totals will be automatically entered from each of the Detailed Project Budget Summaries. Provide source of Cash and/or In-Kind Match. In last table, check the type of victimization types that this project will address.

CHECKLIST:	YES:	NO:
Are all budgeted items allowable per Program Guidelines?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Were instructions followed to determine allowable personnel/contractual costs?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are all line item computations correct?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do line items add to category totals?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have category totals been rounded to nearest dollar?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Each category amount listed in the table below must equal category totals shown on Pages 3 through 11		
Person Completing Budget Section: Ashley M. Ditta	Title: Clinician	
Phone: (504) 364-3857	Fax: (504) 364-3703	E-Mail: ashley_jpcac@bellsouth.net

PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY

BUDGET CATEGORIES	FEDERAL FUNDS	CASH MATCH	IN-KIND MATCH	SECTION TOTAL
SECTION 100. PERSONNEL	\$8,955	\$2,920	\$0	\$11,875
SECTION 200. FRINGE BENEFITS	\$2,197	\$0	N/A	\$2,197
SECTION 300. TRAVEL	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SECTION 400. EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SECTION 500. SUPPLIES	\$526	\$0	\$0	\$526
SECTION 600. CONTRACTUAL	\$0	\$0	N/A	\$0
SECTION 700. RENOVATION COSTS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SECTION 800. OTHER DIRECT COSTS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL:	\$11,678	\$2,920	\$0	\$14,598

Provide Source of Cash Match: The Jefferson Children's Advocacy Center agrees to provide the cash match as part of their collaborative agreement with Family Service of Greater New Orleans.

Provide Source of In-Kind Match: N/A

SECTION 100. PERSONNEL (Continued) - BRIEFLY EXPLAIN

Yes No Are job descriptions for each position attached? If not, explain:

Yes No Are resumes for each position attached? If not, explain:

A) Need for each position shown above; justify need for overtime:

The clinician on the grant is needed to provide direct services to clients. The Vice President of Programs will provide administrative components necessary for implementation of the grant activities, as well as provide clinical supervision to the clinician. All positions are salaried, and there will not be any need for overtime.

B) The basis for determining the salary of each position:

Salaries are based on Family Service of Greater New Orleans' salary administrative program that sets compensation based on program responsibility, required educational level, and comparable public sector norms for similar positions.

C) Project duties of each position requested:

The clinician conducts individual and family therapy. The Vice President of Programs provides clinical supervision to the clinician and conducts administrative duties necessary to implement the program.

D) Indicate if personnel will be new or existing personnel. If existing, indicate if position has been backfilled. If this is a continuation application, indicate the personnel's original status. [Existing personnel is an employee that currently works for the agency, but will now be working on grant activities. If so, the position from which the employee was moved must be filled. If employee is same from the previous grant, indicate if the employee was originally hired for that position.]

Both the clinician and the Vice President of Programs are existing personnel. Neither position has been backfilled. The clinician for the Child Abuse Counseling Program was hired by Family Service of Greater New Orleans in 2005 to fulfill the cooperative endeavor between FSGNO and the Jefferson CAC. The cooperative endeavor spells out, and has for many years now, that the clinician will provide therapeutic interventions at the Jefferson CAC, as well as implement the Jefferson CAC's Child Sexual Abuse Prevention/Education Program. The Vice President of Programs has been employed by FSGNO since 2000 in several different capacities, and will predominantly act in supervisory and administrative capacities for this grant.

SECTION 100. PERSONNEL

Enter Position Titles and Names of the employees for each position funded through this grant. For further information and direction, please refer to the application instructions.

FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES:

POSITION TITLE	EMPLOYEE NAME	FT	ACTUAL MONTHLY SALARY	TIME DEVOTED TO PROJECT	NUMBER OF MONTHS	TOTAL SALARY PAID BY GRANT	PAID WITH	
							F	C
Vice President of Programs	Ginger Parsons, LCSW	FT	\$6,043.33	2.00%	12.00	\$1,450.39	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Clinician	Ashley M. Ditta, LPC, NCC	FT	\$2,714.67	32.00%	12.00	\$10,424.33	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		FT				\$0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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		FT				\$0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SUBTOTAL AMOUNT OF FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES SALARIES:						\$11,874.72	F - Fed Funds	C - Cash Match

PART-TIME OR OVERTIME EMPLOYEES:

POSITION TITLE	EMPLOYEE NAME	PT	OT	ACTUAL EMPLOYEE HOURLY SALARY RATE	NUMBER OF HOURS	TIME DEVOTED TO PROJECT	NUMBER OF WEEKS	TOTAL SALARY PAID BY GRANT	PAID WITH	
									F	C
N/A								\$0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
								\$0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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SUBTOTAL AMOUNT OF PART-TIME AND/OR OVERTIME EMPLOYEES SALARIES:								\$0.00	F - Fed Funds	C - Cash Match

VOLUNTEERS:

DUTIES: List ONLY volunteers used as In-Kind Match. Duties must directly relate to the focus of this project. For further information and direction, please refer to the application instructions.	NO. OF HOURS	VALUED RATE OF HOURLY PAY	IN-KIND TOTAL
N/A			\$0.00
			\$0.00
SUBTOTAL AMOUNT OF VOLUNTEERS IN-KIND SALARIES:			\$0.00

SECTION 100. PERSONNEL SUMMARY	
FEDERAL FUNDS	\$8,955
CASH MATCH	\$2,920
IN-KIND MATCH	\$0
PERSONNEL TOTAL	\$11,875

SECTION 500. SUPPLIES (Continued)

SECTION B: Use this section only for Publications, workbooks, curriculum guides, videotapes, etc. Under type choose: P – Publications; W – Workbooks; CG – Curriculum Guides; V – Videotapes; O – Other. Itemize each item separately. Include tax and shipping costs in Unit Price, when applicable.

TYPE	TITLE OF PUBLICATIONS/FILMS	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL COST	PAID WITH:		
					F	C	UK
P	Understanding Children's Sexual Behaviors-English	101.00	\$1.13	\$114.13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P	Understanding Children's Sexual Behaviors-Spanish	25.00	\$2.14	\$53.50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
P	Basic Facts About Child Sexual Abuse	118.00	\$1.12	\$132.16	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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				\$0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SUBTOTAL OF SECTION B SUPPLIES:				\$299.79	F = Federal Funds C = Cash Match UK = Unrestricted		

BRIEFLY EXPLAIN:

A) The use of each request and its relationship to the project. Also explain the choice of materials, e.g. based on previous experiences or research showing its effectiveness, etc.:

The publication entitled "Understanding Children's Sexual Behaviors" is going to be beneficial to hand out to parents whose children are signed up for the Child Abuse Counseling Program at the Jefferson CAC. It is estimated that anywhere from 40% to 85% of children will engage in at least some sexual behaviors before 13 years of age (Finkelhor et al., 1983). This booklet will assist parents in understanding normal and healthy sexual expression in children, as well as help them identify behaviors that are problematic, and may need professional guidance or assistance.

The booklet entitled "Basic Facts About Child Sexual Abuse" is research-based and published by the Channing Bete Company, and will also be handed out to parents whose children are signed up for the Child Abuse Counseling Program. Statistics show that fewer than 30% of parents ever discuss sexual abuse with their children (www.darknesstolight.org), and many may fear that once abuse has already happened or been disclosed, that it is too late to broach the topic with those children. This booklet is focused on providing parents with information regarding post-disclosure experiences, what to expect from the investigative process, and how parents can help their children heal from sexual abuse.

SECTION 500. SUPPLIES SUMMARY	
FEDERAL FUNDS	\$526
CASH MATCH	\$0
IN-KIND MATCH	\$0
SUPPLIES TOTAL	\$526

PROGRAM NARRATIVE

A. PROBLEM DEFINITION

1. Identify the nature and magnitude of the specific problem existing in your particular community that needs to be addressed through this proposed project. Document the need, not the symptoms or solutions. Be sure to include current valid local data to support the justification. Give the source and date of your information. State the needs of your agency and the needs of the victims in your area as related to this problem and justify the need for the proposed project.

The 2004 National Crime Victimization Survey published by the United States Department of Justice enhanced public awareness of the prevalence of child sexual abuse. It was estimated in this survey that 44% of sexual assault and rape victims are under the age of eighteen. In addition, female survivors age twelve and older accounted for approximately 182,000 rapes and sexual assaults in the year 2008, as documented by that year's United States Bureau of Justice statistics. Furthermore, nationwide statistics continue to show that 1 in 4 girls and 1 in 6 boys will be sexually assaulted by their eighteenth birthday. Internet crimes against children and the online sexual exploitation of children is also on the rise. 2007 Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) statistics show that online child pornography and exploitation investigations increased from 113 cases in 1996 to over 5,000 cases in 2007. FBI arrest and conviction records also reveal 9,469 arrests and 6,863 convictions for online crimes against children over the past ten years.

According to the most recently published United Way of Greater New Orleans Safety Net Strategic Plan, in 2008, there was an overall increase in crimes in the areas United Way serves, including Orleans and Jefferson Parishes. Furthermore, it was estimated in that report that the child abuse rate rose that year by approximately 68% from the previous year. Also in FY2008, there were 1,286 cases in Jefferson Parish and 792 cases in Orleans Parish of reported abuse and neglect, as per the Department of Social Services - Office of Community Services Child Welfare Quality Assurance and Research Section (www.pcal.org). The Jefferson Children's Advocacy Center reports that 372 children came to the agency for a forensic interview in the last two calendar years, from August 1, 2008 through August 1, 2010.

In Jefferson Parish, children who have been victims of sexual and/or severe physical abuse are some of the most vulnerable individuals in our community. There is a need for affordable mental health services in this area, especially since Hurricane Katrina, and this grant will allow the Jefferson CAC clinician to counsel clients free of charge, which helps to remove a large barrier to many victims receiving therapeutic services. Of the Family Service of Greater New Orleans clients served in 2009, in Orleans, St. Bernard, Plaquemines, Jefferson, and St. Tammany Parishes, 92% had an annual household income of less than \$35,000 per year, and 39% of clients served had an annual income of less than \$10,000 (FSGNO 2009 Annual Report). For many victims of crime, this VOCA grant is the only way in which they can receive counseling services to help them begin the healing process.

2. Describe gap in community resources and how the gap was identified. Explain what need is created by this gap in services/programs

While there has always been a significant gap in affordable mental health services for low-income clients, today we are faced with even greater challenges. A recent study indicates that 36% of children in Orleans Parish and 21% of children in Jefferson Parish live at or below the poverty level (www.kidscount.org). Those statistics, combined with the ongoing shortage of available mental health services post-Katrina, has left many families with very few options for support and guidance.

Fortunately, the Jefferson CAC contracts with Family Service of Greater New Orleans to provide a therapist who is experienced in working with both sexually and physically abused children, and can offer a "free of charge" counseling program for children who complete a digital recording of their abuse disclosure.

B. GOALS

GOALS: The primary mission of all projects is to have a positive impact on the victims, not just to accumulate statistics on how many are served. Based on the problem identified, BRIEFLY state what the project hopes to accomplish. Do this by providing a clear statement of the effect this project will have on the problem.

The primary goal of the Child Abuse Counseling Program will be to provide a safe, welcoming environment for 50 child abuse survivors to safely express feelings and concerns regarding their experiences before, during and after their abuse disclosures.

C. OBJECTIVES

OBJECTIVES: Provide at least TWO (2) measurable objectives for EACH goal. Objectives need to be measurable, observable aspects of the program. Identify who, what will change and by how much. Use absolute numbers, not percentages and be sure to include a baseline number.

Goal: To provide a safe, welcoming environment for 50 child abuse survivors (unduplicated) to safely express feelings and concerns regarding their experiences before, during and after their abuse disclosures.

Objective #1: Provide 350 hours of counseling to child abuse survivors in order to improve the client's overall emotional and psychological functioning.

Objective #2: Provide 50 child abuse survivors (unduplicated) with psychoeducational information and safety planning that will help them feel empowered and capable of protecting themselves in future high risk situations.

D. ACTIVITIES / METHODS

List the specific activities and/or services to be provided that will accomplish the objectives. Must include a timetable for achieving the various components of your project. Timetable must cover entire grant period. This must relate back to the Goals and Objectives. If this is a training project, omit this page and complete D-2 Training Programs.

Goal: To provide a safe, welcoming environment for 50 child abuse survivors (unduplicated) to safely express feelings and concerns regarding their experiences before, during and after their abuse disclosures.

Objective #1: Provide 350 hours of counseling to child abuse survivors in order to improve the client's overall emotional and psychological functioning.

Method for Objective #1: The clinician on the grant will provide therapy to 50 child abuse survivors (unduplicated), for a combined total of 350 hours of therapeutic intervention. Two mental health assessments, the Mental Health Inventory (MHI) and the Behavioral and Emotional Rating Scale for Children - Version 2 (BERS-2), will be used as a baseline for assessing improvements in client psychological and emotional functioning throughout the duration of therapy.

Timetable: The aforementioned goal and objective will be met during the grant period of October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011.

Goal: To provide a safe, welcoming environment for 50 child abuse survivors (unduplicated) to safely express feelings and concerns regarding their experiences before, during and after their abuse disclosures.

Objective #2: Provide 50 child abuse survivors (unduplicated) with psychoeducational information and safety planning that will help them feel empowered and capable of protecting themselves in future high risk situations.

Method for Objective #2: The clinician will assist the child in the development of an individual safety plan during the counseling process. This, as well as psychoeducational information provided by the clinician in therapy, provides for the child a concrete plan of ways in which he or she can keep safe, and the education necessary to help reduce future victimization.

Timetable: The aforementioned goal and objective will be met during the grant period of October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011.

E. DEMOGRAPHICS

1. This project serves the following Congressional District(s)

- 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 All (Statewide Project)

2. Type of Organization:

Applicant Agency: Law Enforcement Prosecution Court Non-Profit Organization Tribal Government

Check the one answer that best describes the organization receiving VOCA Formula Grant Program funds.

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community-Based Organization | <input type="checkbox"/> Prosecution |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Assault Program |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Program | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Assault State Coalition |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence State Coalition | <input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Coalition |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dual Program (Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence) | <input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dist. State Coalition (Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence) | <input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Sexual Assault and/or Domestic Violence Program |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government Agency (Department of Human Services, Bureau of Health) | <input type="checkbox"/> Unit of Local Government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement | <input type="checkbox"/> University/School |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Probation, Parole, or Other Correctional Agency | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify): Non-Profit Organization |

Yes No Is this a faith-based organization?

Yes No Is this a culturally specific community-based organization?

F. LOUISIANA AUTOMATED VICTIM NOTIFICATION SYSTEM (LAVNS)

1. Name of the individual responsible for assisting victims in regard to accessing and using the LAVNS system:

NAME: Nancy Michel PHONE: (504) 361-2719 EMAIL: nmichel@jpdca.us

Yes No 2. Does this individual also serve as agency's point of contact for LAVNS? If not, please provide name and contact information:

NAME: PHONE: () - EMAIL:

Yes No 3. Has this individual attended trainings provided by LCLE to learn how victims are served by LAVNS? If no, agency will request LAVNS training from LCLE within 30 days of award. NOTE: More information regarding the LAVNS program, including training information, can be found at: <http://lcle.la.gov/programs/lavns.asp>

Yes No 4. Does the agency have posters displayed for promoting LAVNS and brochures readily available to victims? If no, please go to the LCLE website to request free LAVNS materials at: [www.lcle.la.gov/lavns](http://lcle.la.gov/lavns).

G. CRIME VICTIMS REPARATIONS (CVR)

Yes No 1. Is same individual responsible for assisting victims in regard to services available through the CVR program? If not, please provide name and contact information:

NAME: Kent Wolkart PHONE: (504) 376-2426 EMAIL: wolkart_ka@jpsa.com

Yes No 2. Does the agency know who the Crime Victims Reparations (CVR) Claims Investigator is at the Parish Sheriff's Office?

Yes No 3. Does the agency have posters displayed for promoting CVR and brochures readily available to victims? If no, please fax a written request (contact person, agency name, mailing address) for free CVR posters and brochures to 225-925-6159. NOTE: More information regarding the CVR program, including applications and other forms, can be found at: <http://lcle.la.gov/programs/cvr.asp>

H. PRIOR RESULTS (For Continuation Projects Only)

1. Based on the objectives of the previous application, what were the measurable outcomes? (Refer to the previous project's performance stated in the quarterly progress reports and other additional information.)

The therapist at the Jefferson CAC provided ongoing therapy and support for 75 unduplicated child victims of abuse and their non-offending caregivers from October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010. All participants in the Child Abuse Counseling Program received ongoing therapeutic intervention and referral assistance, when needed, as well as received psychoeducational intervention to aid victims in doing away with self-defeating behaviors and enhancing self-protection skills. The initial objectives from last year's grant stated that the CAC therapist was going to provide a total of 350 hours of therapy to child victims of abuse and their non-offending caregivers. The actual measurable outcomes showed that the therapist actually provided 258 hours of therapy throughout the year. Even though the number of clients served is sufficient, over one hundred families who participated in forensic interviews chose not to sign up for the counseling program. One can speculate, however, that the number of hours of therapeutic intervention would have been higher if just a couple more families had signed up for continued therapy.

2. Did the project work as expected? Explain

The project did work as expected. Family Service of Greater New Orleans and the Jefferson Children's Advocacy Center were able to continue their cooperative endeavor, enabling FSGNO to place a full-time therapist at the Jefferson CAC to implement the Child Abuse Counseling Program. During the previous grant period, the therapist was able to provide culturally sensitive, developmentally appropriate mental health counseling services to 75 child victims of abuse and their non-offending caregivers, free of charge.

3. Have the original goals and objectives been revised? Yes No

If Yes, explain what changes will be made in the continuation of this project and why?

The wording of the goal and objective statements changed from last grant period to this one; however, the measurable goals and objectives stayed the same from last year's grant to this year's grant.

I. EVALUATION AND DISSEMINATION OF REPORTING

A COPY OF YOUR EVALUATION FORMS USED FOR THIS PROJECT MUST BE INCLUDED.

1. From who will the data be collected – what is the source?

Assessments are used in the Child Abuse Counseling Program to measure the number of clients served, sessions held, client progress and program effectiveness. Parents note responses on the Behavioral and Emotional Rating Scale for Children-Version 2 for children under 12, and child clients over 12 answer the Mental Health Inventory.

2. When will the data be collected?

Each assessment is administered on the first counseling session after the intake session, at the fourth session, then quarterly, and finally, at termination, and analyzed immediately following administration.

3. Who will collect and analyze the data?

Data will be collected and analyzed by the clinician implementing the Child Abuse Counseling Program.

4. Who will be responsible for submitting the data for the Quarterly Progress Reports: State name and contact information

Name: Ashley M. Dittz Phone: (504) 364-3857 Email: ashley_jpcac@bellsouth.net

5. Following evaluation, who and how will updating or revising of the project's strategy be accomplished?

The two assessments used, and the fact that each are administered in a pre- and post-test format, allows the clinician to consistently evaluate and reevaluate the program's strategy and effectiveness. An improvement in client functioning is defined as, at minimum, a ten point improvement or increase in the "overall functioning" scale of each assessment, from the initial administration to the final administration of the assessment.

If the clinician analyzes each client's overall functioning scores from pre-test to post-test, and notices that few clients are achieving a ten point improvement over the duration of therapy, it may be time for the counseling program's methodology to be assessed to determine if the therapy being implemented is the best fit for the clients the Jefferson CAC serves. In addition, different assessments or scales can be researched and tested to see if additional psychometric tests are more suitable for the Jefferson CAC's counseling program and client population.

All issues regarding the project's strategy will be first disclosed to the Vice President of Programs by the clinician before any updating or revisions can be put into practice.

6. Name the recipients who will receive the project's results and the schedule of reporting (i.e. monthly, quarterly, yearly). Recipients MUST state the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement will receive Quarterly Progress Reports and expenditure reports quarterly/monthly as specified at award time. Recipients should also include, if applicable, board of directors, applicant agency (if different from implementing agency), courts with jurisdiction, etc.

Monthly / Quarterly Expenditure Reports & Quarterly Progress reports will be submitted to LCLE. Additionally this project's results will be disseminated through statistical reports on a quarterly basis to the following agencies the United Way, Family Service of Greater New Orleans and the Jefferson Children's Advocacy Center.

J. CONTINUATION

Yes No Do you plan to continue this project at the conclusion of federal support?
Since continued VOCA funding is limited and not assured, alternate funding sources should be sought. Name the sources and potential sources of continued funding for this project at the conclusion of Federal support.

At the conclusion of federal support, continued funding for the Child Abuse Counseling Program will be obtained through client fees (of other branch offices), local and national foundations, fundraising efforts and the United Way.

K. RESOURCES

Describe the facilities and additional resources available to this project. Include the physical facility where services are provided. If applicable, list other resources available to this project, i.e. equipment, supplies, staff, etc.

This project operates from the Jefferson Children's Advocacy Center, a renovated cottage in a historical area in the city of Gretna. The Center is approximately two blocks from the Jefferson Parish Government Complex. The physical address is 220 Lavoisier Street, Gretna, Louisiana, 70053. The clinician has her own office in the Center, which is already stocked with games, toys, art supplies, and a variety of other play therapy materials.

L. AUDIT REQUIREMENTS

All applications must check one:

This organization/agency expends \$500,000 or more in federal funds (during the fiscal year of the organization/agency from any and all sources including the amount of this application) AND MUST SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

1. Date of last audit:	12/12/2009
2. Dates covered by last audit:	7/1/2008 - 6/30/2009
3. Date of next audit:	Start date: 9/20/2010
4. Dates to be covered by next audit:	7/1/2009 - 6/30/2010
5. Date next audit will be forwarded to LCLE:	Estimated date: 12/20/2010

This organization/agency expends less than \$500,000 in federal funds from all sources during the fiscal year of the organization/agency.

M. VOLUNTEERS

Yes No Are you using volunteers as match?
If yes, describe the duties and functions performed by the volunteers. Indicate the number of volunteer hours per duty-function for this application (this can be an estimate). Volunteers' duties must directly relate to the focus of this project and information stated in Section 100 Personnel.

Yes No Are volunteers screened in compliance with the Louisiana Child Protection Act (LRS 15:587.1) as appropriate?

When volunteers are appropriate for direct service for programs, they are screened in compliance with the Louisiana Child Protection Act (LRS 15:587.1). However, volunteers are not used as a match for direct services for the Child Abuse Counseling Program, due to the confidential nature of the services provided. A local garden club and other community citizens do maintain the Jefferson CAC's garden and provide and display seasonal decorations for the facility. Lastly, local citizens spend approximately 150 volunteer hours assisting in annual fundraisers, and 40 hours helping with shopping and maintenance requirements for the Jefferson CAC.

N. REQUIRED COMPONENTS

1. Subgrantees are required to help victims apply for victim compensation. Describe a specific plan on how applicant has or will interface with the Louisiana Crime Victims Reparations Program

Clients of the Jefferson CAC are informed of the Louisiana Crime Victims Reparations Program by their clinician, and then, in turn, a Victim/Witness Coordinator at the Jefferson Parish District Attorney's Office. The Victim/Witness Coordinator then provides the child's parent/guardian with the CVR contact person's name and telephone number. If needed, subsequent to the client's submission of claim forms, the clinician will complete any necessary forms to help facilitate the Reparations process.

2. Describe how applicant has/will coordinate activities with other criminal justice system/private service providers in the community. If you have obtained cooperative agreements, a copy may be attached to the application in addition to the brief description.

This project is a collaboration with the Jefferson Children's Advocacy Center, and activities pertaining to the project are all implemented within the facility. The children who come to the Jefferson CAC for counseling services will be referred by either Law Enforcement or the state Department of Children and Family Services (CFS) for a forensic interview prior to beginning the counseling program. In addition, the clinician at the Jefferson CAC will also participate in Multidisciplinary Team Review meetings to ensure that the mental health needs of the child are addressed. The CAC clinician does not participate in the forensic interview or the investigation in any manner. The clinician attends these case review meetings to serve simply as a consultant regarding developmental and mental health issues which arise during the review session. An example of a standard cooperative agreement between FSGNO and the Jefferson CAC is included with this application. Signed cooperative agreements are obtained once grant letters go out and grant funds are allocated.

3. Indicate how the applicant will address the issue of encouraging the victims to report to law enforcement. Policies and procedures may be attached to the application in addition to the brief description

As stated above, all clients seen under the Child Abuse Counseling Program have already reported their allegations of abuse to Law Enforcement or the state Department of Children and Family Services (CFS), and have completed a forensic interview at the Jefferson CAC. If additional disclosures are made by any client, the clinician will report that disclosure to the appropriate member of Law Enforcement and a representative of the Department of Children and Family Services, when applicable.

4. State that the applicant will comply with the Louisiana Child Protection Act (LRS 15:587.1) as appropriate. The Louisiana Child Protection Act refers to screening prospective employees, NOT reporting instances of child abuse.

With reference to screening prospective employees, Family Service of Greater New Orleans will be in compliance with the Louisiana Child Protection Act (LRS 15:587.1).