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1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to children, youth, and families; modifying grants to youth intervention

1.3 programs; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142A.43.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142A.43, is amended to read:

1.6 **142A.43 GRANTS-IN-AID GRANTS TO YOUTH INTERVENTION PROGRAMS.**

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Grants.** (a) The commissioner ~~may~~ must make grants to nonprofit agencies

1.8 administering youth intervention programs in communities where the programs are or may

1.9 be established. Grants under this section are limited to available appropriations. No grant

1.10 may exceed \$75,000.

1.11 (b) "Youth intervention program" means a nonresidential community-based program

1.12 providing advocacy, education, counseling, mentoring, and referral services to youth and

1.13 their families experiencing personal, familial, school, legal, or chemical problems with the

1.14 goal of resolving the present problems and preventing the occurrence of the problems in

1.15 the future. The intent of the youth intervention program is to provide an ongoing stable

1.16 funding source to community-based early intervention programs for youth. Program design

1.17 may be different for the grantees depending on youth service needs of the communities

1.18 being served.

1.19 (c) A grant under this section is contingent upon the agency obtaining local matching

1.20 money equal to the amount of the grant from the community in which the youth intervention

1.21 program is established. The matching requirement is intended to leverage the investment

2.1 of state and community money in supporting the efforts of the grantees to provide early  
 2.2 intervention services to youth and their families.

2.3 Subd. 2. **Applications.** Applications for a ~~grant-in-aid shall~~ grant must be made submitted  
 2.4 by the administering agency to the commissioner. The commissioner must provide the  
 2.5 application form, procedures for submitting application forms, criteria for review of the  
 2.6 application, and a description of the kinds of contributions in addition to cash that qualify  
 2.7 as local matching money.

2.8 ~~The grant-in-aid is contingent upon the agency having obtained from the community in~~  
 2.9 ~~which the youth intervention program is established local matching money equal to the~~  
 2.10 ~~amount of the grant that is sought. The matching requirement is intended to leverage the~~  
 2.11 ~~investment of state and community dollars in supporting the efforts of the grantees to provide~~  
 2.12 ~~early intervention services to youth and their families.~~

2.13 ~~The commissioner shall provide the application form, procedures for making application~~  
 2.14 ~~form, criteria for review of the application, and kinds of contributions in addition to cash~~  
 2.15 ~~that qualify as local matching money. No grant to any agency may exceed \$75,000.~~

2.16 Subd. 3. **Grant allocation formula** Youth Intervention Programs Association  
 2.17 grant. Up to ~~five~~ six percent of the ~~appropriations to the grants-in-aid to the youth~~  
 2.18 ~~intervention program may~~ appropriation for grants under this section must be used for a  
 2.19 grant to the Minnesota Youth Intervention Programs Association for ~~expenses in~~ providing  
 2.20 collaboration, program development, professional development training, technical assistance,  
 2.21 and tracking, and analyzing, and reporting outcome data for the community-based grantees  
 2.22 of the program. The Minnesota Youth Intervention Programs Association is not required  
 2.23 to meet the ~~match obligation~~ matching requirement under subdivision 2 1, paragraph (c).

2.24 Subd. 4. **Report.** On or before March 31 of each year, the Minnesota Youth Intervention  
 2.25 Programs Association shall report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the  
 2.26 committees and divisions with jurisdiction over ~~public safety policy and finance~~ children  
 2.27 and youth on the implementation, use, and administration of the grant program ~~created~~  
 2.28 under this section. The report shall include information sent by agencies administering youth  
 2.29 intervention programs to the Minnesota Youth Intervention Programs Association ~~and the~~  
 2.30 ~~Office of Justice Programs.~~ At a minimum, the report must identify:

2.31 (1) the grant recipients;

2.32 (2) the geographic location of the grant recipients;

3.1 (3) the total number of individuals served by all grant recipients, disaggregated by race,  
3.2 ethnicity, and gender;

3.3 (4) the total number of individuals served by all grant recipients who successfully  
3.4 completed programming, disaggregated by age, race, ethnicity, and gender;

3.5 (5) the total amount of money awarded in grants and the total amount remaining to be  
3.6 awarded from each appropriation;

3.7 (6) the amount of money granted to each recipient;

3.8 (7) ~~grantee~~ grant recipient workplan objectives;

3.9 (8) how the grant was used based on ~~grantee~~ grant recipient quarterly narrative reports  
3.10 and financial reports; and

3.11 (9) summarized relevant youth intervention program outcome survey data measuring  
3.12 the developmental assets of participants, based on Search Institute's Developmental Assets  
3.13 Framework.

3.14 ~~Subd. 5. **Administrative costs.** The commissioner may use up to ten percent of the~~  
3.15 ~~biennial appropriation for grants-in-aid to the youth intervention program to pay costs~~  
3.16 ~~incurred by the department in administering the youth intervention program.~~