

**299A.73 GRANTS-IN-AID TO YOUTH INTERVENTION PROGRAMS.**

Subdivision 1. **Grants.** The commissioner may make grants to nonprofit agencies administering youth intervention programs in communities where the programs are or may be established.

"Youth intervention program" means a nonresidential community-based program providing advocacy, education, counseling, mentoring, and referral services to youth and their families experiencing personal, familial, school, legal, or chemical problems with the goal of resolving the present problems and preventing the occurrence of the problems in the future. The intent of the youth intervention program is to provide an ongoing stable funding source to community-based early intervention programs for youth. Program design may be different for the grantees depending on youth service needs of the communities being served.

Subd. 2. **Applications.** Applications for a grant-in-aid shall be made by the administering agency to the commissioner.

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

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

Subd. 3. **Grant allocation formula.** Up to five percent of the appropriations to the grants-in-aid to the youth intervention program may be used for a grant to the Minnesota Youth Intervention Programs Association for expenses in providing collaboration, program development, professional development training, technical assistance, tracking, and analyzing and reporting outcome data for the community-based grantees of the program. The Minnesota Youth Intervention Programs Association is not required to meet the match obligation under subdivision 2.

Subd. 4. **Administrative costs.** The commissioner may use up to two percent of the biennial appropriation for grants-in-aid to the youth intervention program to pay costs incurred by the department in administering the youth intervention program.

**History:** 1987 c 312 art 1 s 23; 1996 c 408 art 2 s 2; 1999 c 107 s 65; 2004 c 206 s 52; 2005 c 136 art 8 s 1,29; 2013 c 86 art 3 s 5; 2015 c 65 art 3 s 7