

CHILD CUSTODY AND ADOPTION PRO BONO PROJECT
2005 DIRECTED GRANT APPLICATION

I. Applicant Information

Applicant Organization

Name:

Address:

Telephone:

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Website:

Affiliated/Sponsoring Organization (if any)

Name:

Address:

Telephone:

Fax:

Website:

Project Director

Name:

Address:

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Email:

Service Area: ___ State ___ County ___ City ___ Other(_____)

II. Basic Project Information

A. What is your organization's mission and focus?

B. Describe the ways in which you have provided (1) pro bono representation to children in custody or adoption cases; (2) pro bono representation to children in other areas; and/or (3) other representation to children in custody or adoption cases. (If you have not provided any of these types of representation in the past, please so state, and describe the other experiences that qualify your organization for a grant).

C. Provide a short description (no more than 4 sentences) of the project for which you are seeking funding, focusing on the provision of free or low-cost mental health or social services.

D. Particular grant topics to be addressed: (check all that apply)

___ The need for more training, mentoring, partnering, consulting and education for pro bono and program staff attorneys

___ Ways for attorneys to tap into free or low-cost mental health or social services for child clients

___ Development of local mental health or social service resource materials

E. Particular area(s) of custody to be addressed: (check all that apply)

___ Divorce/Dissolution (including post-decree)

___ Parentage/Unmarried Parents

___ Adoption

___ Private Guardianship

___ Domestic Violence Protective Orders

F. Project budget summary: (provide only for the pro bono child custody component of your project) (details of your budget should be provided in Section V, and not here)

Amount requested from Child Custody and Adoption Pro Bono Project:

Total Project budget: _____

III. Statement of Need for Mental Health or Social Services in Child Custody Cases

Provide a statement of your need for the funds, including information for your geographic area on the numbers of children in custody cases, the numbers of children currently being served, the current organizations providing such services, the problems facing children in custody cases, the need for additional pro bono services, and a description of the court systems handling these cases.

IV. Detailed Project Information

(Provide full responses to each of the following questions, addressing only the project for which you are seeking funding.)

A. What are the objectives of the project?

B. Who are the children who will be served, including population descriptors, geographic boundaries, referral sources, and any income qualifications?

C. What mental health and social services be provided, either to these children or to the attorneys representing them?

D. How will these services be provided? (Include a detailed description of the pro bono component of the services; staff responsibilities; coordination with relevant bar associations and non-profits; and the role of any partnering organizations).

E. What are your plans for the project beyond the grant period?

F. Will the project be replicable by other entities, if so, and how?

V. Detailed Budget Information

Provide specified amounts for all relevant budget items for the project for which you are seeking funding, including staffing, materials, overhead, trainings, etc. Specifically identify the use for the amount requested under this grant application. Indicate the source of all matching or contributing funds. Also specify your full program budget for the larger entity or organization.

VI. Application Procedures

By **February 22, 2005**, at 5:00 PM Central Time:

(1) email the completed 2005 Directed Grant Application to Linda Rio Reichmann, Project Director, at lrrio@staff.abanet.org, AND

(2) place in the U.S. mail a hard copy of the completed 2005 Directed Grant Application (not to exceed 10 pages) and two letters of support, addressed to Linda Rio Reichmann, ABA Child Custody and Adoption Pro Bono Project, 321 N. Clark, 19th Floor, Chicago, IL 60610.