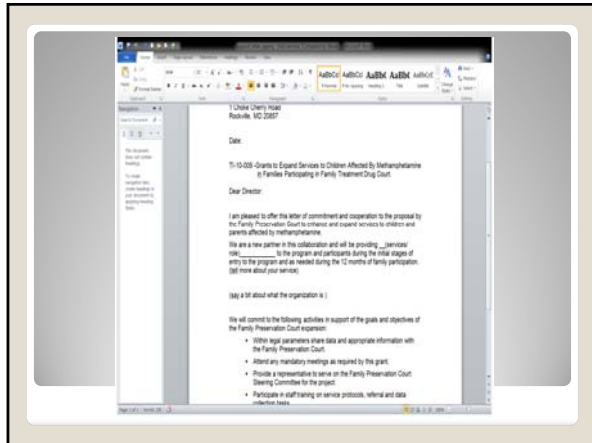






MORE BAS/CS

- Provide all collaborative partners with an outlined letter of support to assure there is no conflict with narrative
- Write Budget and Budget narrative that is supportive of your project.



Don't wait for grants to come out – Have a Plan

- Discuss with your team early on what direction your project will take and what funding is needed.
- Make sure your project suits the funders priorities.
- Have an evaluator that will work with you on your application if when an evaluation required.
 - College/Universities
 - Non-Profits

NEW STUFF

- So you have a grant opportunity – **First things first**
 - Meet with your team/agencies/court to make sure everyone is on the same page.
 - Read the entire application – make a list of what will be needed and who is responsible.
 - Make sure everyone involved in writing and/or reading has specific dates to meet.

ABSTRACT

- Line limit
- Should include:
 - Project Name
 - Population to be served (demographics and clinical characteristics)
 - Strategies/interventions
 - Project goals and measurable objectives, including the number of people to be served annually and for the life time of the grant.
 - Your first 5 or fewer lines should be a summary of your project and able to be used all by itself in a press release or report.

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Word document with the following text:

ABSTRACT

The Riverside County Dependency Drug Court or Family Preservation Court (FPC) is supporting \$1,000,000 over a five-year period in order to expand and enhance one program to include additional supportive services for children and adults affected by substance abuse.

FPC provides immediate access to a comprehensive network of services to substantially reduce substance abuse, improve family functioning, and establish healthier lifestyles by addressing educational substance abuse treatment, mental health, and other support services. With the enhancement, FPC plans to add in-home visitation, an educational lesson for all school-aged children, assessment and referrals with Public Health Nurses for all children, the Father's Time curriculum for men, and Peer Support Groups for all parents enrolled in the program to create and maintain permanent positive life changes.

On average each parent in the FPC has 2.5 children that will receive the enhanced services of the program. FPC proposes to offer these enhanced comprehensive range of services to 150 currently enrolled children and 80 currently enrolled parents. We will expand our program to accommodate 100 newly enrolled children and 110 newly enrolled parents, for a total of 140 children and 570 parents over the five-year grant period.

Our target population is children affected by methamphetamine in families participating in Family Preservation Court. These parents are referred to the Department of Public Social Services, Children's Services Division (CSD) for child abuse and/or neglect and will be referred to FPC prior to filing a case in order to keep the children in the home or when necessary after a petition is filed and the children are removed.

The proposed outcomes for the project include:

- 10% increase in the numbers of families entering the program through Pre-PIA, enabling more children to stay in the home.
- Reduce the average length of stay in foster care to 6 months or less.
- Improve the retention of families in the program to 80%.

NARRATIVE

- Make your narrative a road map for the reader.
 - Bold –Capitalize each new section heading
 - Bold – regular font- underline the bullet being answered.
 - Italicize and underline within the bullet questions your answering.
 - Italicize through out the narrative where you have answered the question.

Where to get help

You can obtain help from experienced grant writers:

- AOC will provide assistance and feedback
- Your evaluator
- Members of the Coordinators Work Group
