Bureau Name: Children's Bureau
Target Population: Adoptable children

GRANT INFORMATION:

Name of Grantee: Children's Home Society of North Carolina, Inc.
Fiscal Year: 2003
Amount of Award: $400,000.00
Program Name: Adoption Opportunities Program
Project Period: 09/30/2003-09/29/2008
ACF Region: 4
Congressional District Served: 6
Related Links:

ABSTRACT:

The Children's Home Society of North Carolina, Inc. (CHS) is implementing Building Bridges - Recruiting Rural Adoptive Parents. CHS recognizes the need for recruiting adoptive parents because 10,371 children are languishing in North Carolina's foster care system, of which only 5,068 have a plan for adoption. By collaborating with the Departments of Social Services (DSS), East Carolina University School of Social Work (ECU), the faith-based community, the CHS African American Advisory Council, and NC Kids, CHS will increase the number of adoptive parents in rural communities of eastern and southeastern North Carolina. The project is demonstrating that an innovative public-private partnership model can reduce barriers to adoption. Primary objectives and goals for the 5-year initiative are to: place 300 foster care children in permanent adoptive homes over 5 years, increase first-time, adoption-related inquiries by 20 percent in the first year, conduct 36 informational meetings to change public attitudes about foster care adoption, schedule 50 percent more Model Approach to Partnerships in Parenting (MAPP) training sessions, provide DSS with a Waiting Families Profile Book quarterly, provide ongoing training to strengthen families and assist adopted children moving from urban to rural communities, and give post-adoption services to support families with adoptive placements.

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