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ABSTRACT:  
Southwest Missouri State University will develop and conduct the Missouri Training Program for Rural Child Welfare Workers (MTP) to prepare frontline child welfare workers and supervisors to serve the unique needs of people living in rural counties. A total of 33 counties comprise the Southwest Region of the Missouri Division of Family Services and are located in the central, west central, southwest, and south central parts of the state. For purposes of the project, 31 of the 33 counties are recognized as rural counties and will be the focus of the project. The program will focus on four goals that directly address the purpose of the priority area - to develop, field test, revise, implement, evaluate, and disseminate a field-tested, competency-based training and curriculum to prepare frontline workers and supervisors to provide effective child welfare services in rural communities. The goals of the program are to develop, implement, and evaluate competency-based training program for child welfare workers and supervisors in 33 rural counties in Missouri; to improve the direct (i.e., with children and families) and indirect (i.e., with communities and other agencies) skills/competencies of the Southwest Region rural child welfare workers and supervisors; to develop relationships with community members and leaders and other related agencies (including faith-based organizations) to increase resource development and collaborative activities; and to increase awareness of and access to child welfare services in 31 rural Missouri counties. The University will collaborate with the Community Partnerships of the Ozarks, a non-profit organization working with rural communities for prevention programs, and the Missouri Division of Family Services to achieve the projects goals and prepare frontline child welfare workers and supervisors to improve their delivery of services and lessen the risk of harm to children and families in rural communities.  

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