**Bureau Name:** Children's Bureau  
**Grant Number:** 90CO0975  
**Target Population:** Adoptable children

**GRANT INFORMATION:**
- **Name of Grantee:** Family Support Services of the Bay Area  
- **Fiscal Year:** 2002  
- **Amount of Award:** $300,000.00  
- **Program Name:** Adoption Opportunities Program  
- **Project Period:** 09/30/2002-09/29/2005  
- **ACF Region:** 9  
- **Congressional District Served:** 11

**ABSTRACT:**
Family Support Services of the Bay Area will refer pre- and post-finalized adoptive families who have children with special needs. The project's services will provide respite to a minimum of 50 families and will develop parent trainings on how to recruit, screen, and supervise their own provider. The program will operate two respite systems: a direct parent payment system and an agency sponsored system of in-home, out-of-home, and site-based care. These simultaneous service systems will not only provide various service options to families, but will also provide opportunities to evaluate parent preference and compare the benefits, limitations, and impact of various respite service models. Family Support Services will improve family functioning and efficacy in locating and screening their own providers reduce stress and will reduce the rate of disruption and parental burden. It is anticipated that this service will contribute towards recruitment and retention of adoptive placements.

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