

# LORAIN COUNTY CHILDREN & FAMILIES COUNCIL

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Sealed proposals will be accepted until 2:00 p.m. February 18th by the Lorain County Board of Commissioners, Purchasing Department, 226 Middle Avenue, Fourth Floor, Elyria, Ohio 44035, for proposals which outline the provision of services as set forth in the guidelines of the Ohio Children's Trust Fund. **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO PROVIDE EVIDENCED-BASED CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAMS IN LORAIN COUNTY for SFY 2016** administered by the Lorain County Children & Families Council.

A technical assistance meeting will be held on the Fourth Floor in the Lorain County Commissioners Public Hearing Room A, 226 Middle Ave., Elyria, Ohio 44035, at 2:00 PM on Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup> 2015.

Specifications and proposal packages can be obtained at the office of the Purchasing Department of the Lorain County Board of Commissioners, 226 Middle Avenue, Elyria, Ohio, 44035 between the hours of 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM Monday – Friday. A PDF copy may be obtained by addressing an email to Melissa Betlejewski, Purchasing Coordinator, at [mbetlejewski@loraincounty.us](mailto:mbetlejewski@loraincounty.us). Lorain County will not accept and/or consider any bid as an official bid unless said bidder is recorded as a bidder of record with the Lorain County Purchasing Department. Any interpretation, correction or modification to the proposal specifications desired by the applicant shall be made in writing addressed to the County Administrator, James Cordes, in care of Melissa Stefano, Director, 226 Middle Avenue, Elyria, Ohio 44035 and must be received at least four (4) working days prior to the proposal opening date. Each proposal shall contain the full name or names of persons and company submitting the proposal and shall be enclosed in a sealed RFP envelope supplied by the County marked "Ohio Children's Trust Fund".

The Lorain County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive any informalities or irregularities that should be deemed in the best interest of Lorain County to do so.

By Order of:  
Lorain County Commissioners,  
Theresa Upton, Clerk

Publish: **CHRONICLE TELEGRAM and the Lorain County Children & Families Council website: [www.loraincounty.us](http://www.loraincounty.us)**

Dates: January 29th

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### **OHIO CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS SPECIFICATIONS**

The Lorain County Children & Families Council (Council) is soliciting proposals that assist Council in creating a community for infants, toddlers, and children to thrive by reducing the prevalence of child maltreatment in Lorain County.

Per Ohio Revised Code 3109.13, Ohio Children's Trust Fund monies are dedicated exclusively to primary and secondary child abuse and neglect prevention programs and services. Primary and secondary prevention includes a variety of services, which support and strengthen families, promote protective factors and reduce or eliminate risk factors that can lead to child maltreatment. Lorain County will be awarding up to \$91,365 across a minimum of two (2) selected programs.

Priority for selection will be given to agencies who demonstrate the following:

- 1) Provide an evidenced-based program identified to specifically prevent child abuse and implement to a high degree of fidelity to program design. The proposal package contains a list of eligible programs.
- 2) Ability to provide strong performance measures that result in increasing protective factors and reducing risk factors in targeted families.
- 3) Ability to maximize resources, ensure cross system/program referrals, and work collaboratively with community partners.
- 4) Ability to accurately capture program participant data using a State-mandated database.

This funding is for State Fiscal Year 2016 (July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016).