

441—153.18(232) Requirements for annual services plan. Each decategorization project shall annually develop and submit a child welfare and juvenile justice decategorization services plan.

153.18(1) Content of plan. The decategorization services plan shall describe:

a. The project's proposed use of funding from the decategorization services funding pool during the state fiscal year.

b. The community planning and needs assessment process that was used in developing the annual decategorization services plan, including information on:

(1) The community members and organizations that participated in developing the plan; and

(2) Efforts to coordinate with other community planning initiatives affecting children and families.

c. The project's specific and quantifiable short-term plans and desired results for the state fiscal year and how these plans align with the project's long-term plans to improve outcomes for vulnerable children and families by enhancing service systems.

d. The methods that the project will use to track results and outcomes during the year.

e. The project's plans for monitoring and maintaining fiscal accountability, which shall include monitoring:

(1) The performance and results achieved by contractors that receive funding; and

(2) Expenditures from the decategorization services funding pool throughout the state fiscal year.

f. The project's plans to expend projected carryover funds by the conclusion of the state fiscal year.

153.18(2) Submission of plan. The decategorization services plan shall be submitted to the department's child welfare administrator and to the Iowa empowerment board by October 1 of each state fiscal year.