

**441—159.5(237A) Selection of proposals.**

**159.5(1)** All proposals received shall be reviewed by the grant review committee which shall make funding recommendations to the director. The director shall make the final funding decisions.

**159.5(2)** Applicants who have demonstrated the ability to effectively operate programs shall be given first consideration for funds. The following factors shall be considered in selecting proposals:

*a.* The demonstrated need for the service in the program areas selected and assurance that the proposed project does not duplicate other services in the community.

*b.* The community support demonstrated and the coordination with other existing agencies and organizations providing services to the targeted population.

*c.* The general program structure including, but not limited to, how well goals are met, how realistic the objectives are, services offered and likelihood of anticipated impact on the problem, the administration of funds, stability of the organization and the overall quality of the proposal in comparison to other proposals.

*d.* The plan for using the funds. The funds may be used only for salaries, fringe benefits, contract services, job-related in-state travel, materials, and operational expenses. Funds may not be used for construction, capital improvement, or purchase of real estate.