

**421—31.5(216A,232,PL93-415) Formula-based allocations.**

**31.5(1) *Funding recipients.*** Only units of local government, local public planning entities, and judicial districts may be considered eligible applicants to receive funding through this distribution method. The determination of which units of local government, local public planning entities, and judicial districts are eligible applicants shall be made according to the state or federal law or regulation that makes funding available to the division for this distribution method. When such a determination is not established in law or regulation, the department shall make the determination with the advice of the appropriate council or the JJAC.

**31.5(2) *Formula to determine individual allocation amounts.*** Allocation amounts to individual units of local government or local public planning entities shall be calculated according to the state or federal law or regulation that makes funding available to the division for this distribution method. When an allocation formula for funding to be distributed by the division is not established in this chapter or other law or regulation, the division shall calculate allocations based on a formula determined by the department. The formula shall be based on the number of children residing in the respective areas and may also be based on poverty rates, delinquency rates and other data relevant to child and family well-being. Application materials provided to the eligible units of local government, local public planning entities, or judicial districts shall specify the formula used to calculate the allocation.

**31.5(3) *Application procedures and requirements.***

*a.* Each unit of local government, local public planning entity, or judicial district that is eligible to be an applicant for funds pursuant to subrule 31.5(1) shall be contacted by the division and provided an application that must be completed by the applicant prior to the applicant's receipt of the allocation.

*b.* The application may require the submission of a comprehensive plan to prevent and reduce juvenile crime that reflects the purposes and goals in rule 421—31.2(216A,232) and that structures the coordination and collaboration of other relevant community programs and activities. Evidence of such coordination and collaboration may be required to include assurances and documentation that the plan for this program was developed to include, or be an integral part of, other areawide plans related to, for example, child welfare, substance abuse, health, or education.

*c.* The application may require documentation that the application was completed with the participation of representatives from, for example, law enforcement, county attorneys, county and city governments, and health, human services, education, and community service agencies.

*d.* The application may also require the applicant to certify and make assurances regarding policies and practices related to, but not limited to, funding eligibility, program purposes, service delivery and planning and administration capacities.

*e.* Each notified applicant shall submit the required information by the deadline established and announced by the division. The division reserves the right to extend the deadline.

*f.* Following its receipt and approval of a completed application, the division shall offer the applicant a contract authorizing the obligation of funds. These rules and all applicable state and federal laws and regulations shall become part of the contract by reference.

**31.5(4) *Allocations declined, waived or combined.***

*a.* As allowed by federal or state law, when an eligible local public planning entity, judicial district, or unit of local government declines to submit an application for funds, such funds shall be retained by the division to be reallocated among all participating units of local government, judicial districts, or local public planning entities or to be otherwise distributed for the development of services that have a statewide impact.

*b.* As allowed by federal or state law, the division may permit an eligible unit of local government to waive its right to a direct allocation and request that its allocation be awarded to and expended for its benefit by a larger or contiguous unit of local government or local public planning entity. A written waiver shall be required from the unit of local government that waives its right to a direct allocation and names a requested unit of local government or local public planning entity to receive and expend the funds. The unit of local government, judicial district, or local public planning entity receiving the funds must agree, in writing, to accept the redirected funds, to carry out all planning and application

requirements and to serve as the fiscal agent for receiving the waived allocation. The division's instructions to eligible applicants shall describe the procedures required to implement this paragraph.

*c.* As allowed by federal or state law, the division may permit applicants to enter into regional coalitions by planning for and utilizing combined allocations from the participating units of local government or local public planning entities. A unit of local government, judicial district, or local public planning entity shall serve as the applicant and fiscal agent for purposes of carrying out planning and application requirements, and for receiving the allocation and obligating and expending funds for the benefit of the combined units. The division's instructions to eligible applicants shall describe the process to implement this paragraph.

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