

CYFAR

Children, Youth  
and Families  
At Risk  
Program

# CYFERnet and CYFAR Liaisons

Grantsmanship Training  
FY 2009

# Overview of CYFAR

- History of CYFAR
- Farm Bill legislation/changes
- Funding and expectations
- Today's process

# CYFERnet

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- A multi-institution, cross-disciplinary network
- Provides seamless access to program evaluation, and technology resources and technical assistance
- Organized around the five CYFAR National Outcomes for Early Childhood, School Age, Teen, Parent/Family, and Community.
- For Children, Youth, and Families at Risk (CYFAR) university and community-based programs for at-risk children and families.

# CYFERnet - Program

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Objective:

Provide program support to CYFAR university and community programs.

# CYFERnet - Program

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1. Support Editorial Boards for Early Childhood, School Age, Teen, Parent/Family, and Community to:
  - Recruit editorial board members
  - Identify, review, and publish program and training resources
  - Provide research-based web training on resources for each CYFAR outcome;

# CYFERnet - Program

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2. Support collaborations with relevant youth and family development projects
3. Support opportunities to convene through electronic forums with programming innovators and researchers to discuss current and future trends
4. Participate in a CYFERnet work group that identifies common issues and needs across CYFAR sites.

# CYFERnet - Technology

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Objective:

Provide technology support to CYFAR university and community programs.

# CYFERnet - Technology

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1. Provide technical assistance to programs:
  - Address technology access issues
  - Provide training in technology use and promote new technology applications
  - Support communication among CYFAR project technology staff
  - Provide the infrastructure, technical assistance and support to form communities of practitioners, researchers, and others in the CYFAR community



# CYFERnet - Technology

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2. Model technology applications for CYFAR programs
3. Support CYFAR program reporting through the CYFAR on-line reporting system.
4. Collaborate with National 4-H Headquarters on youth technology initiatives.
5. Participate in a CYFERnet work group

# CYFERnet - Evaluation

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Objective:

Conduct evaluation of CYFAR program impacts and provide evaluation resources and assistance to CYFAR university and community programs.

# CYFERnet - Evaluation

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1. Work with a CYFAR SCP Evaluation Task Force to develop common indicators:
  - Develop an evaluation plan:
    - What common indicators are being addressed?
    - What is the feasibility and the extent to which CYFAR SCP can use uniform instruments
    - Assess how SCPs are accomplishing short term and long term outcomes
  - Implement the Evaluation and submit annual progress reports

# CYFERnet - Evaluation

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2. Field an updated Organizational Change Survey
3. Design and conduct a sustainability study of the CYFAR New Communities Projects
4. Maintain and add new evaluation resources to CYFERnet.org
5. Provide online training in evaluation concepts and procedures

# CYFERnet - Evaluation

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6. Collaborate with other national efforts such as eXtension, the National 4-H Learning Priorities Evaluating for Impact team, 4-H Mission Mandates teams and Access 4-H.
7. Participate in a CYFERnet work group that identifies common issues and needs relative to evaluation across CYFAR sites.

# CYFERnet

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## Program, Evaluation & Technology Objective:

Expand use of CYFERnet resources and services by CYFAR and other Cooperative Extension System audiences.

- Promote CYFERnet resources at designated national conferences
- Provide three in-person CYFAR 2009 Pre-Conference Workshops

# CYFERnet - Reporting

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Initial grant information must be submitted into the CRIS system before the award is made.

Annual performance reports must be submitted through the CRIS system within 90 days after the completion of each year of the project.

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# CYFERnet-Application Process

- Using Grants.gov, [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) apply for grants
- Download and install Pure Edge Viewer & Adobe Reader 7.0.9
- FO# USDA-CSREES-SLBBCD-001867
- Deadline 12/16/08
- Use 4/1/09 as a start date and 3/31/14 as the end date for the grant if submitting a 5-year proposal



# CYFERnet-Application Process

- Complete the screens/save info
- Submit to University Authorized Representative
- ALL attachments MUST be in PDF
- No graphs, photos, charts or tables will be accepted.
- Supplemental Info Form, field 2, Program Code Name “Children, Youth and Families at Risk” and Program Code is “MC”

# CYFERnet-Application Process

- BUDGET Reminders
- Submit individual budgets and narratives for each year of the proposed project-\$183,000 per year, up to 5 years
- Include travel costs for CYFAR Orientation Meeting and CYFAR Annual Conference
- In addition to the \$183,000, CYFERnet Program should budget for 5 face-to-face Editorial Board meetings per year
- No matching required
- Clearly title budgets

# CYFAR Liaisons' Roles

- Coordinate fieldwork in the implementation and development of the CYFAR program
- Provide technical assistance to CYFAR projects
- Provide feedback to USDA about impact of and needs of programs

# CYFAR Liaison Objectives

- Provide technical assistance
  - Feedback on annual reports
  - Respond to program inquiries
  - Conduct site visits
- Provide support to CYFAR program
  - CYFAR conference
  - New projects orientation
  - Web-based trainings

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# CYFAR Liaison Budget

- Maximum \$37,500 at approximately 20-40% FTE
- No Matching
- Include travel to CYFAR Annual Conference, Orientation Training & Liaison meeting with up to 6 site visits/year
- Submit budgets and narratives for each year



# Questions and Answers



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