

# LAFAYETTE COUNTY CHILDREN'S SERVICES FUND (LCCSF)

Lafayette County Courthouse, 1991 Main Street, Lexington, MO 64067

## MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN

Lafayette County and Brighter Futures Mental Health Consortium

### PURPOSE:

The purpose of this Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is to assist Lafayette County and Brighter Futures in providing services such as counseling, family support and temporary residential services to persons nineteen years of age or less, who are residents of Lafayette County and their families.

### BACKGROUND:

There are increasing numbers of children and youth who do not have private insurance, and who fail to qualify for Medicaid. In the presence of high divorce rates, domestic violence, increasing drug and alcohol abuse by adults and youth, teen pregnancies and unmarried parents, and decreasing insurance resources to cover care, the goal of this grant is to improve services for those children, youth and families who fall through the cracks for lack of resources for services.

### REFERENCE:

Grant funds are made possible through a sales tax of one-eighth of a cent collected in Lafayette County under RSMo Chapter 67, Section 67.1775 (Aug. 28, 2003). Additional information defining administration of the funds may be found in RSMo Section 210.861.1-5. **By statute, these funds are restricted from use for inpatient medical, psychiatric, and chemical dependency services, or for transportation expenses.**

### SCOPE:

Innovations, services, and best practices that will address the following service areas.

1. Up to thirty days of temporary shelter for abused, neglected, run-away, homeless or emotionally disturbed youth; respite care services; and services to unwed mothers;
2. Outpatient chemical dependency and psychiatric treatment programs; counseling and related services as part of transitional living programs; home-based and community-based family intervention programs; unmarried parent services; crisis intervention services, inclusive of telephone hotlines, and

prevention programs which promote healthy lifestyles among children and youth and strengthen families.

3. Individual, group, or family professional counseling and therapy services; psychological evaluations; and mental health screenings.

PERIOD OF AGREEMENT: This MOA becomes effective on December 2, 2008, and shall end on December 1, 2009.

Reporting Requirements: Upon execution of the Memorandum of Agreement the grant recipient gives the LCCSF BOD the right to review and evaluate grant-funded activities and shall be required to provide a mid-year report and a final report.

The LCCSF Board of Directors awards a grant for mental health services to children in the amount of \$97,688.32 to Brighter Futures Project, to be paid in amounts determined by the LCCSF BOD.

By signing this MOA, the parties acknowledge they will actively abide by its terms.

#### APPROVALS

#### **Lafayette County Children's Services Fund**

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D. J. David, President

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Date

#### **Brighter Futures Mental Health Consortium**

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James Judd, Lexington R-V

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Date