

Annotated Code of Maryland
(1986 Replacement Volume and 1988 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 49D - Office for Children and Youth
Section 4A-1
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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 49D - Office for Children and Youth

4A.

(a) There is a Children's Trust Fund.

(b) In addition to any federal funds or any funds provided in the State budget, any grant or gift to the State to or for the use of the Children's Trust Fund shall be credited to the Children's Trust Fund to be used for the purposes stated in this section.

(c) The Office for Children and Youth may expend a gift to the State to or for the use of the Children's Trust Fund only in the manner and for the purposes stated in this section.

(d) (1) The Director of the Office for Children and Youth shall use the funds within the Children's Trust Fund:

(i) To provide grants for developing, assisting, implementing, or evaluating innovative child abuse and neglect prevention, treatment, or education programs; and

(ii) To provide grants for operating innovative support programs for parents, families, and abused or neglected children.

(2) Grants made under this section may be made to public and private community based organizations and agencies in local political subdivisions.

(3) THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH SHALL REFER GRANT APPLICATIONS UNDER THIS SECTION TO THE CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND ADVISORY BOARD.

[[3]] (4) [The Director of the Office for Children and Youth shall establish a panel to] THE CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND ADVISORY BOARD SHALL review grant applications under this section