



## **REQUEST FOR BIDS: EARLY CHILDHOOD ECONOMIC ANALYSIS**

The Missouri Children's Trust Fund (CTF) is seeking a consultant to create an Economic Analysis of Missouri's Early Childhood Services.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The Children's Trust Fund (CTF) is Missouri's foundation for child abuse prevention. CTF was created by the Missouri General Assembly in 1983 as a 501c(3) non-profit organization with the sole purpose to prevent the abuse and neglect of children. Located within the Missouri Office of Administration, CTF is governed by a seventeen member Board of Directors.

### **Deliverables-Early Childhood Economic Analysis:**

CTF seeks a contractor to develop an early childhood economic analysis that includes;

- Narrative and evidence to support the value of investing in early childhood seats, services, and supports, including available economic analysis that shows the cost/benefit analysis of such an investment,
- A depiction of the statewide gaps in the suite of early childhood seats, services, and supports to which families in Missouri need access,
- A recommended long-term blueprint for investment in early care, education, and services/supports, including investments in critical infrastructure and home visiting,
- A description of the short and long-term options for achieving that state investment over a period of time, including considerations for supporting/incentivizing local and philanthropic investments in early childhood.

### **Guidance**

This contract will be paid based on an all-inclusive hourly or monthly rate with the total expenditures not to exceed \$100,000.

The contract period will be July 15, 2022 through October 31, 2022.

### **Proposals shall not exceed three pages in length and will respond to the following:**

- **Expertise:** Please describe the applicant's expertise and background in early childhood, including governance and systems development.

- **Knowledge of Missouri system:** Please describe the applicant's knowledge of Missouri and any past history working with early childhood systems in Missouri.
- **Interest:** Please describe why the applicant is interested in working on this project.
- **Methodology and timeline:** Please describe how the applicant would accomplish the deliverables and include a timeline.
- **Budget:** Please include a detailed budget for the costs associated with accomplishing the deliverables.

Completed proposals must be emailed to Nicole Dunmire at [Nicole.Dunmire@oa.mo.gov](mailto:Nicole.Dunmire@oa.mo.gov) by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 30. Selection will be based on the best and lowest bid.