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*Federal Share of Project Costs:* The maximum Federal share of the project is \$350,000 per budget period.

*Matching or Cost Sharing*

*Requirement:* The grantee must provide at least ten percent of the total approved cost of the project. The total approved cost is the sum of the Federal share and the non-Federal share. Therefore, a project requesting \$350,000 per budget period must include a match of at least \$38,889 per budget period. The non-Federal share may be cash or in-kind contributions, although applicants are encouraged to meet their match requirements through cash contributions. If approved for funding, grantees will be held accountable for the commitment of non-Federal resources and failure to provide the required amount will result in a disallowance of unmatched Federal funds.

*Anticipated Number of Projects to be Funded:* It is anticipated that up to eight projects will be funded.

**2003A.2: Projects To Improve Recruitment of Adoptive Parents in Rural Communities**

*Eligible Applicants:* States, local government entities, public or private non-profit licensed child welfare or adoption agencies, adoptive family groups and nonprofit organizations, including community and faith-based organizations, with experience working with rural populations and with access to children in foster care. Collaborative efforts and interdisciplinary applications are acceptable; however, applications from collaborations must identify a primary applicant responsible for administering the grant.

*Project Duration:* The projects will be awarded for a project period of 60 months. The initial grant award will be for a 12-month budget period. The award of continuation funding beyond each 12-month budget period will be subject to the availability of funds, satisfactory progress on the part of each grantee, and a determination that continued funding would be in the best interest of the government.

*Federal Share of Project Costs:* The maximum Federal share of the project is \$400,000 per budget period.

*Matching or Cost Sharing*

*Requirement:* The grantee must provide at least 10 percent of the total approved

cost of the project. The total approved cost is the sum of the Federal share and the non-Federal share. Therefore, a project requesting \$400,000 per budget period must include a match of at least \$44,444 per budget period. The non-Federal share may be cash or in-kind contributions, although applicants are encouraged to meet their match requirements through cash contributions. If approved for funding, grantees will be held accountable for the commitment of non-Federal resources and failure to provide the required amount will result in a disallowance of unmatched Federal funds.

*Anticipated Number of Projects to be Funded:* It is anticipated that up to eight projects will be funded.

**2003A.3: Developing a National Network of Adoption Advocacy Programs**

*Eligible Applicants:* States, local government entities, public or private nonprofit licensed child welfare or adoption agencies, university (including university-affiliated programs) or adoptive family groups and community-based organizations and nonprofit organizations including community and faith-based organizations with adoption expertise. Eligible applicants must have the capacity to operate and support a national network as well as assist in the development and support of local adoption advocacy programs that are modeled on the One Church, One Child program. Collaborative efforts and interdisciplinary applications are acceptable; however, applications from collaborations must identify a primary applicant responsible for administering the grant.

*Project Duration:* The project will be awarded for a project period of 60 months. The initial grant award will be for a 12-month budget period. The award of continuation funding beyond each 12-month budget period will be subject to the availability of funds, satisfactory progress on the part of the grantee, and a determination that continued funding would be in the best interest of the government.

*Federal Share of Project Costs:* The maximum Federal share of the project is \$250,000 for the first budget period and \$500,000 for each of the subsequent budget periods.

*Matching or Cost Sharing*

*Requirement:* The grantee must provide at least 10 percent of the total approved cost of the project. The total approved cost is the sum of the Federal share and the non-Federal share. Therefore, a project requesting \$250,000 for year one and \$500,000 per budget period for years two through five must include a

match of at least \$27,778 in year one and \$55,556 per budget period for years two through five. The non-Federal share may be cash or in-kind contributions, although applicants are encouraged to meet their match requirements through cash contributions. If approved for funding, grantees will be held accountable for the commitment of non-Federal resources and failure to provide the required amount will result in a disallowance of unmatched Federal funds.

*Anticipated Number of Projects to be Funded:* It is anticipated that one project will be funded.

**2003A.4: Administration of the Interstate Compact on Adoption and Medical Assistance (ICAMA)**

*Eligible Applicants:* Any State, local, public and private nonprofit agency or organization, including community and faith-based organizations, or institutions of higher learning with demonstrated expertise in the field of child welfare.

*Project Duration:* The length of the project period for the grant may not exceed 60 months. The initial grant award will be for a 12-month budget period. The award of continuation funding beyond each 12-month budget period will be subject to the availability of funds, satisfactory progress on the part of each grantee, and a determination that continued funding would be in the best interest of the government.

*Federal Share of Project Costs:* The grant amount will not exceed \$200,000 per budget period.

*Matching or Cost Sharing*

*Requirement:* The grantee must provide at least ten percent of the total approved cost of the project. The total approved cost is the sum of the Federal share and the non-Federal share. Therefore, a project requesting \$200,000 per budget period must include a match of at least \$22,222 per budget period. The non-Federal share may be cash or in-kind contributions, although applicants are encouraged to meet their match requirements through cash contributions. If approved for funding, grantees will be held accountable for the commitment of non-Federal resources and failure to provide the required amount will result in a disallowance of unmatched Federal funds.

*Anticipated Number of Projects to be Funded:* It is anticipated that one project will be funded.