

Ohio Revised Code Section 3109.178 Requests for start-up costs.

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- (A) Each child abuse and child neglect regional prevention council may request from the children's trust fund board up to five thousand dollars for each county within the council's region to be used as one-time, start-up costs for the establishment and operation of a children's advocacy center to serve each county in the region or a center to serve two or more contiguous counties within the region.
- (B) On receipt of a request made under this section, the board shall review and approve or disapprove the request.
- (C) If the board disapproves the request, the board shall send to the requesting council written notice of the disapproval that states the reasons for the disapproval.
- (D) No funds allocated to a council under this section may be used as start-up costs for any children's advocacy center unless the center has as a component a primary prevention strategy.
- (E) A council that receives funds under this section in any fiscal year shall not use the funds received in a different fiscal year or for a different center in any fiscal year without the approval of the board.
- (F) A children's advocacy center established using funds awarded under this section shall comply with sections 2151.425 to 2151.428 of the Revised Code.