

38-1808. Family and children investment fund; family and children trust account, permanent families account, and family and children endowment account; authorized expenditures; receipts; interest. (a) There is hereby established in the state treasury the family and children investment fund. The family and children investment fund shall be administered as provided in this section.

(b) There shall be credited to the family and children investment fund appropriations, gifts, grants, contributions, matching funds and participant payments.

(c) (1) There is hereby created the family and children trust account in the family and children investment fund. The secretary for children and families shall administer the family and children trust account.

(2) Moneys credited to the family and children trust account shall be used for the following purposes: (A) Matching federal moneys to purchase services relating to community-based programs for the broad range of child abuse and neglect prevention activities; (B) providing start-up or expansion grants for community-based prevention projects for the broad range of child abuse and neglect prevention activities; (C) studying and evaluating community-based prevention projects for the broad range of child abuse and neglect prevention activities; (D) preparing, publishing, purchasing and disseminating educational material dealing with the broad range of child abuse and neglect prevention activities; and (E) payment of the administrative costs of the family and children trust account and of that portion of the Kansas children's cabinet, established pursuant to K.S.A. 38-1901, and amendments thereto, which are attributable to the family and children trust account, and that portion of the administrative costs of the board of trustees, of the Kansas public employees retirement system established by K.S.A. 74-4905, and amendments thereto, which are attributable to the family and children endowment account of the family and children investment fund. No moneys in the family and children trust account shall be used for the purpose of providing services for the voluntary termination of pregnancy.

(3) Expenditures from the family and children trust account shall be subject to the approval of the Kansas children's cabinet established pursuant to K.S.A. 38-1901, and amendments thereto. All expenditures from the family and children trust account shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the secretary for children and families or a person designated by the secretary.

(d) (1) There is hereby created the permanent families account in the family and children investment fund. The judicial administrator of the courts shall administer this account.

(2) Moneys credited to the permanent families account shall be used for the following purposes: (A) Not more than 12% of the amount credited to the permanent families account during the fiscal year may be used to provide technical assistance to district courts or local groups wanting to establish a local citizen review board or a court-appointed special advocate program, including but not limited to such staff as necessary to provide such assistance, and to provide services necessary for the administration of such board or program, including but not limited to grants administration, accounting, data collection, report writing and training of local citizen review board staff; (B) grants to court-appointed special advocate programs, upon application approved by the chief judge of the judicial district where the program is located; and (C) grants to district courts, upon application of the chief judge of the judicial district, for expenses of establishment, operation and evaluation of local citizen review boards in the judicial district, including costs of: (i) Employing local citizen review board coordinators and clerical staff; (ii) telephone, photocopying and office equipment and supplies for which there are shown to be no local funds available; (iii) mileage of staff and board members; and (iv) training staff and board members.

(3) In addition to the other duties and powers provided by law, in administering the permanent families account, the judicial administrator shall:

(A) Accept and receive grants, loans, gifts or donations from any public or private entity in support of programs administered by the judicial administrator and assist in the development of supplemental funding sources for local and state programs;

(B) consider applications for and make such grants from the permanent families account as authorized by law; and

(C) receive reports from local citizen review boards established pursuant to K.S.A. 38-2207, and amendments thereto, regarding the status of children under the supervision of the district courts and regarding systemic barriers to permanence for children, assure that appropriate data is maintained regularly and compiled at least once a year by such boards on all cases reviewed and assure that the effectiveness of such boards is evaluated on an ongoing basis, using, where possible, random selection of local citizen review boards and cases for the evaluation and including client outcome data to determine effectiveness.

(4) All expenditures from the permanent families account shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the judicial administrator or a person designated by the judicial administrator.

(e) The family and children endowment account of the family and children investment fund shall constitute and shall be administered as an endowment for the purposes for which expenditures may be made from the family and children trust account of the family and children investment fund. The family and children endowment account of the family and children investment fund shall be invested by the board of trustees of the Kansas public employees retirement system established by K.S.A. 74-4905, and amendments thereto. All interest or other income of the investments of the moneys in the family and children trust endowment account of the family and children investment fund, after payment of any management and administrative fees, shall be considered income of the family and children trust account of the family and children investment fund and shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the family and children trust account of the family and children investment fund.

(f) On or before the 10th of each month, the director of accounts and reports shall transfer from the state general fund to the family and children investment fund interest earnings based on:

(1) The average daily balance of moneys in the family and children investment fund for the preceding month, excluding all amounts credited to the family and children endowment account of the family and children investment fund; and

(2) the net earnings rate of the pooled money investment portfolio for the preceding month.

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