

MARCH 2023 REPORT ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING GRANTS

Section 16.20A Grants for Nonprofit Organizations Providing Services to Victims of Human Trafficking Section 16.20B Grants to Develop, Strengthen, or Expand Human Trafficking Victim Service Programs

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Receiving Entities: Senate Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety House of Representatives Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety Fiscal Research Division

Submitting Entity: The North Carolina Human Trafficking Commission



The North Carolina Human Trafficking
Commission (HTC) is housed within the North
Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts
(NCAOC). NCAOC has been in regular
communication with the Office of State
Budget and Management (OSBM) and the
N.C. Pandemic Relief Office (NCPRO)
regarding the transfer of monies within the
State Fiscal Recovery Fund. The following are
updates on progress since our last report:

Since the last report the grants manager position for this section was created, posted, and hired. The grants manager began employment with NCHTC on December 14, 2022 and is responsible for managing sections 16.20A and 16.20B.



SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES 16.20A:

The grants manager has been in contact with all 23 named agencies, 18 confirmed intentions to apply.

Request For Proposals (RFP) and Terms and Conditions were finalized on January 31, 2023.

RFP was issued February 1, 2023 and closes on March 15, 2023.

To date 2 applications have been received, both require minor corrections.

The agencies that have submitted applications are Hyde County Hotline and Randolph County Family Crisis Center.

These applications have undergone first and secondary reviews and are currently working through revisions requested to move forward in the award process. Once revisions have been received these agencies will be added to the next Appropriations Committee vote for approval to move forward into the contract phase.



16.20A

GRANTS TO NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS PROVIDING SERVICES TO VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

(1) The number of applications received.	2
(2) The number of grants awarded.	0
(3) The names and locations of the grant recipients.	TBD
(4) The Amount of each grant awarded.	TBD
(5) A description of the human trafficking program initiatives that were funded by the grant awarded, including the geographic area in which services were provided.	TBD
(6) The total number of victims of human trafficking that were served, to date, by each grant recipient.	0





16.20B

TO DEVELOP, STRENGTHEN, OR EXPAND HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIM SERVICE PROGRAMS

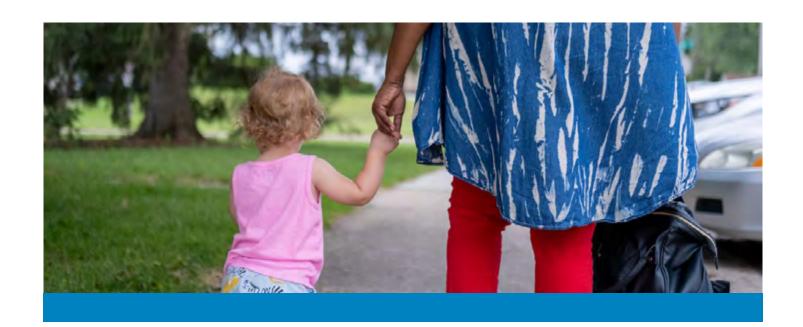
SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES 16.20B:

Grants manager has been in contact with both named agencies.

RFP as well as Terms and Conditions were finalized on February 6, 2023.

RFP was issued February 7, 2023 and closes on March 15, 2023.

No applications have been received to date. The grants manager will continue providing outreach to and assistance to the two agencies for the application process.





16.20B

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CONCLUSION

NCAOC and the HTC have been working diligently to prepare distribution of these funds. Below is a summary of actions that have taken place since last report:

- There are now 3 grant managers employed with HTC
- A grant administrator was hired on January 4, 2023
- HTC is in the process of hiring a data manage
- A centralized tracker has been created and utilized to streamline the application review process
- Adjustments to 16.20A and 16.20B documents have been implemented in effort to eliminate trivial revisions after identifying pain points with 16.23 applications
- Section 16.23 Request for Proposals (RFP) was issued on October 26, 2022 and closed on December 14, 2022, since then 81 applications have been received
- Of those 81 applications 16 Agencies were voted on in the Appropriations Committee meeting held on February 6, 2023 resulting in the creation of 22 contracts
- A total of \$2.265 million will be sent out to approved agencies in the next 4-6 weeks
- Grants managers are currently working with the remaining 65 agencies for revisions to advance in the process for an approval vote
- HTC Appropriation Committee meetings have been held on October 24, 2022, November 7, 2022, January 23, 2023, and February 13, 2023 for updates on these funds as well as a vote for approval of 16.23 funds
- Representatives of NCAOC, HTC, and NCPRO attended the DeLoitte workshop on February 21, 2023 in collaboration for the discussion and creation of key performance measures
- The grants administrator has monthly meetings scheduled with NCPRO. This ongoing effort will ensure compliance is at the forefront of operations.

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