

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Department: Social Services

HB Section(s): 11.375

Program Name: Child Abuse/Neglect Grants

Program is found in the following core budget(s): Child Abuse/Neglect Grants

1a. What strategic priority does this program address?

Protecting children from abuse/neglect

1b. What does this program do?

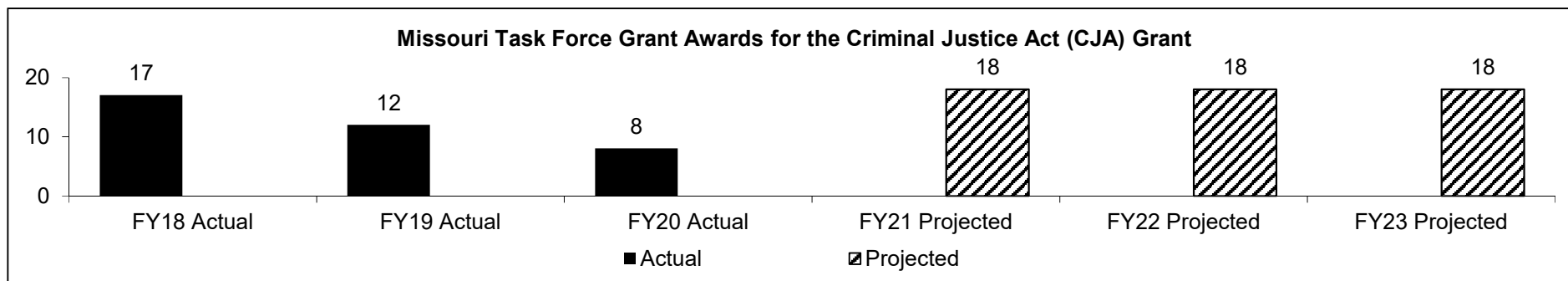
The Children's Division develops, establishes, and operates programs for caseworkers designed to improve the following:

- The handling of child abuse and neglect cases, particularly cases of child sexual abuse and exploitation, in a manner which limits additional trauma to the child victim
- The handling of cases of suspected child abuse or neglect related to fatalities
- The investigation and prosecution of cases of child abuse and neglect, particularly child sexual abuse and exploitation

The CA/N Grant is used by states for improving child protective service systems such as the intake, assessment, screening, and investigation of reports of abuse and neglect; creating and improving the use of multidisciplinary teams and interagency protocols; developing, improving, and implementing safety and risk assessment tools; training related to improving staff skills, and supporting collaboration among and across agencies.

The CJA Grant is used to fund initiatives for the investigation and prosecution of child abuse and funding attendance at various training/conferences revolving around child welfare (including multidisciplinary training).

2a. Provide an activity measure(s) for the program.



As the dollars are limited to grants approved and received through federal funding, the Missouri Task Force on Criminal Justice approves grant applications that are beneficial to Task Force in its charge of assuring appropriate use of CJA funds.

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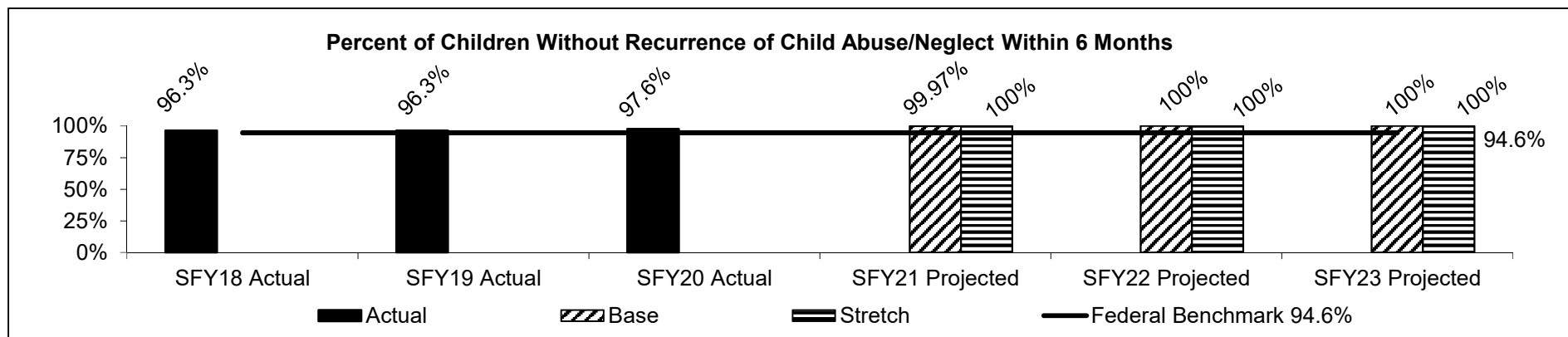
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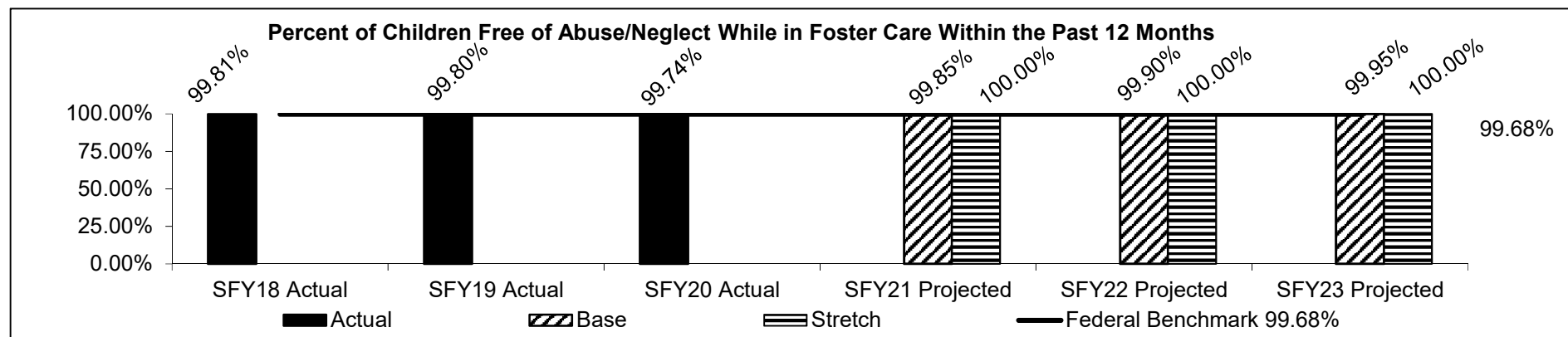
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2b. Provide a measure(s) of the program's quality.



2c. Provide a measure(s) of the program's impact.



Children in care and custody of Children's Division

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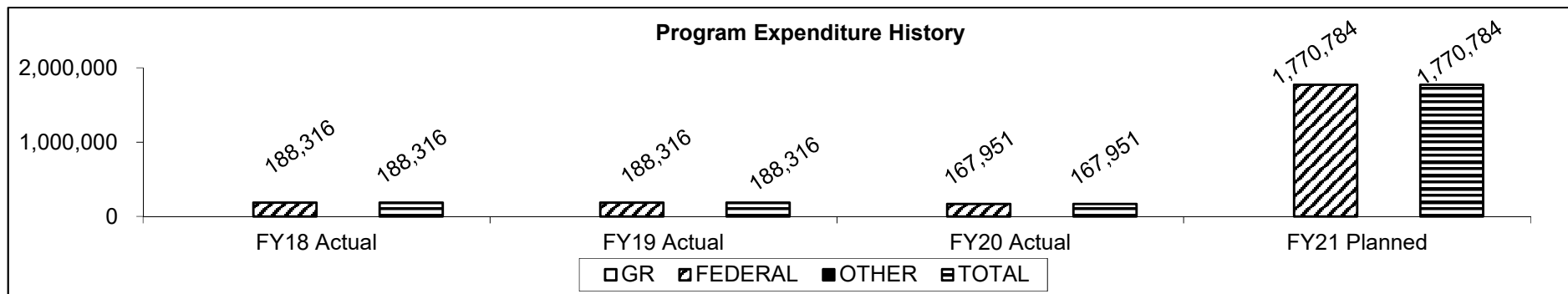
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2d. Provide a measure(s) of the program's efficiency.

The Child Abuse/Neglect Grant and Criminal Justice Act Grant are federal funding streams used to support multi-disciplinary teams for collaboration and information sharing, to ensure the safety of those who experienced abuse and neglect. Without this funding, DSS would not be able to collaborate with the state only funding to the extent it currently does to provide support for programs and initiatives around proper handling of child abuse and neglect cases, including investigation and prosecutions, and various child welfare trainings, conferences and seminars.

3. Provide actual expenditures for the prior three fiscal years and planned expenditures for the current fiscal year. (Note: Amounts do not include fringe benefit costs.)



Planned FY 2021 expenditures are net of reverted and reserve.

4. What are the sources of the "Other " funds?

N/A

5. What is the authorization for this program, i.e., federal or state statute, etc.? (Include the federal program number, if applicable.)

State statute: Section 210.001, RSMo.; Federal regulation: 42 USC Section 5101.

6. Are there federal matching requirements? If yes, please explain.

No.

7. Is this a federally mandated program? If yes, please explain.

No.