

## **The Ohio Children's Trust Fund Quick Facts**

- The Ohio Children's Trust Fund (OCTF) provides leadership and funding for prevention of child abuse and neglect throughout Ohio.
- The OCTF revenues come from surcharges on birth and death certificates and on divorce and dissolution filings.
- Total allocations to counties for State Fiscal Year 2002 = \$2.5 million.
- Allocation amounts are calculated based on each county's percentage of the state population of children, birth to age 18.
- County allocations range from \$10,000 to \$289,747.
- Since 1986, the OCTF has distributed more than \$50 million to counties to support local prevention programs and services.
- Assessment of local prevention needs and selection of providers who will receive funds to address those needs is the responsibility of the OCTF administrator in each county.
- County Commissioners determine the OCTF administrator in their county; they may either appoint private citizen advocates to the Local Prevention Advisory Board, or designate the Family and Children First Council to fulfill these functions.
- The number of grantees per county ranges from 1 to 8.
- Annual grants to individual service providers range from \$1,600 to \$69,482.
- Programs and services include strategies such as: parent education and support, home visiting, crisis stabilization, family events, mentors, developmental screenings for children, public awareness campaigns and materials, parent-child interactive sessions, respite care and child safety training.