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A. Program 521 – Prevention of Unnecessary Out-of-Home Placement (PUP).

1. PUP funds are used to ensure the protection and safety of a child at risk of maltreatment.
2. PUP provides financial assistance, temporary child care, counseling, drug screens, substance abuse assessments, medical/dental services, psychological evaluations and transportation services to families with children at risk of placement into foster care or who are ready for reunification.
3. Rent, utility bills, temporary day care and drug screens are expenditures that are frequently paid with PUP funds.
4. PUP funds have limited and/or restricted budgets.

B. Program 551 – Early Intervention and Prevention

1. Early Intervention and Prevention funds should be used to help families where abuse or neglect has been substantiated, but there is a low risk for a repeat incident or for families where abuse or neglect has been screened out or unsubstantiated (services to priority two families would be voluntary in nature).
2. This program is intended to provide services that will help increase the strength and stability of the family, increase parent confidence/competence in their parenting abilities and to enhance family functioning to prevent child abuse and neglect.
3. Early Intervention funds have limited and/or restricted budgets. At this time these funds can not be transferred to any other program.

C. Program 571 – Homestead

1. Homestead funds should be used to assure safety for children in CPS or PLC cases through the purchase of intensive, in-home counseling where children are at risk of an unnecessary foster care placement or who are ready for reunification.

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2. Services purchased should allow children to remain safely with relatives and prevent unnecessary foster care placements.
3. Total expenditures should NOT exceed \$3,500.00 per family unless specifically approved by the Social Services Section.
4. Homestead funds have limited and/or restricted budgets.

D. Program 573 – Parent Aide

1. Parent Aide funds should be used to provide parent education, training and support to families through classes and in-home visitation. The goal is to ensure the safety and protection of children.
2. Total expenditures should NOT exceed \$3,000 per family unless specifically approved by the Social Services Section.
3. Parent Aide funds have limited and/or restricted budgets.

Please refer to the COSTAR manual for the complete program purpose, COSTAR reporting information, program/eligibility requirements and allowable entitlement codes.

Currently PUP, Parent Aide, Homestead and Early Intervention budgets can be transferred between each other.