

Family Violence and Prevention Services (DFVPS) announces the award of \$125,000 as a single-source program expansion supplement to the Casa de Esperanza in St. Paul, MN. The grantee, funded under the Family Violence Protection and Services Act (FVPSA) program, is a national technical assistance (TA) provider that assists FVPSA service providers to build the capacity of domestic violence programs to respond to the complex and diverse needs of survivors of domestic violence and dating violence from Latino communities.

**DATES:** The period of support for the single-source program expansion supplement is September 30, 2015 through September 29, 2016.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Supplemental award funds will support the grantee in providing training and technical assistance to domestic violence service providers.

This award will expand the scope of Casa de Esperanza's technical assistance activities to include supplemental activities around the issue of trafficking for domestic violence programs which may involve activities, such as:

- Training on the intersections of domestic violence, sexual violence, and trafficking including, but not limited to, webinars;
- Listening sessions with FVPSA grantees and culturally-specific community-based organizations regarding needs, challenges, and barriers related to offering trafficking services (*i.e.*, online, via phone, or in person);
- Documentation of current promising practices for serving survivors of trafficking within domestic violence programs and within culturally-specific community-based organizations (*i.e.*, program profiles, a case study, online page);
- Development of a technical assistance plan for fostering and sustaining collaborative partnerships on domestic violence and human trafficking which could include a pilot with 1–2 communities;
- Resource development: Factsheets or concept brief paper on the intersection of domestic violence and human trafficking with recommendations to enhance the provision of direct services for victims; facilitating stronger multidisciplinary

partnerships; or culturally/trauma-informed programming.

In addition, the grantee will support and provide training around the issue of language access planning for domestic violence programs for activities, including:

- State-specific training and technical assistance for the 20 State Domestic Violence Coalitions that completed the 2015 Training of Trainers which will include travel to deliver state-specific training;
- Listening sessions with FVPSA state administrators, coalitions, and culturally-specific community based organizations;
- Documentation of the technical assistance needs, implementation successes, and implementation challenges of 20 states beginning language access planning and working to improve language accessibility within their states; and
- Recommendations for state-specific capacity building for the 20 states to enhance statewide language access, including the development of language access plans.

Federal staff conducted an objective review of the solicited application using criteria related to the project's approach, its organizational capacity, and the projected budget for proposed costs in assessing the application.

**Statutory Authority:** Section 310 of the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act, as amended by Section 201 of the CAPTA Reauthorization Act of 2010, Pub. L. 111–320.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Administration for Children and Families

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#### Announcement of the Award of a Single-Source Expansion Supplement Grant to the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois, Chicago, IL

**AGENCY:** Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB), ACYF, ACF, HHS

**ACTION:** Notice of the award of a single-source expansion supplement grant to the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois, Chicago, IL. The award will expand the original scope of approved activities under 3/40 Blueprint: Creating the Blueprint to Reduce LGBTQ Youth

Homelessness and will support the (1) review the findings of the systematic review of the literature conducted as part of the 3/40 Blueprint to identify (a) factors that facilitate positive outcomes for transgender youth in stable housing, education and employment, permanent connections, and well-being, and (2) interventions that may facilitate positive outcomes for transgender Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY).

**SUMMARY:** The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF), Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB), Division of Runaway and Homeless Youth, announces the award of \$150,000 as a single-source expansion supplement grant to the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois, Chicago, IL, to support activities under the 3/40 Blueprint: Creating the Blueprint to Reduce LGBTQ Youth Homelessness. 3/40 Blueprint: Creating the Blueprint to Reduce LGBTQ Youth Homelessness has been reviewing research, gathering qualitative information, and collecting data to assist in building the capacity of Transitional Living Programs (TLPs) to meet the needs of runaway and homeless youth who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and/or questioning (LGBTQ).

**DATES:** The period of support is September 30, 2015 through September 29, 2016.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of this grant is to assist in building the capacity of TLPs to serve youth who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and/or questioning (LGBTQ) and are experiencing homelessness. Through this demonstration grant, FYSB is solidifying its commitment to improving access to services that meet the unique needs of transgender homeless youth. The intent of the targeted supplement is to support knowledge development to strengthen efforts for better understanding and to address the needs of transgender youth experiencing homelessness. Efforts may include identifying innovative, transgender-specific intervention strategies, determining culturally appropriate screening and assessment tools, gathering information on services and

systems of support that respond to the needs of the transgender youth, pinpointing the gaps in services, and better understanding the needs of transgender youth served by Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY) agencies.

Specifically, this supplemental award will support the review of findings on the systematic review of the literature conducted as part of the 3/40 BLUEPRINT to identify factors that facilitate positive outcomes for transgender youth in stable housing, education and employment, permanent connections, and well-being interventions that may facilitate positive outcomes for transgender RHY.

**Statutory Authority:** Runaway and Homeless Youth Act, 42 U.S.C. 5701–5752, as most recently amended by the Reconnecting Homeless Youth Act, of 2008, Pub. L. 110–378 on October 8, 2008. Under Section 343, the Secretary may make grants to carry out research, evaluation, demonstration, and service projects regarding activities under this title designed to increase knowledge concerning, and to improve services for, runaway youth and homeless youth with a concentration on Transitional Living Programs.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Administration for Children and Families

#### Announcement of the Award of a Single-Source Expansion Supplement Grant to the National Runaway Switchboard

**AGENCY:** Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB), ACYF, ACF, DHHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of the award of a single-source expansion supplement grant to the National Runaway Switchboard to support the translation of “Let’s Talk Curriculum” into Spanish and disseminate it to culturally appropriate prevention resources to expand outreach to Latino youth and their families.

**SUMMARY:** The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF), Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB), Division of Adolescent Development and Support (DADS), announces the award of a single-source expansion supplement grant of \$34,000 to the National Runaway Switchboard to support

research and the translation of “Let’s Talk Curriculum” into Spanish and disseminate it to culturally appropriate prevention resources to expand outreach to Latino youth and their families.

**DATES:** The award will support activities from September 29, 2015 through September 29, 2016.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Runaway Safeline, operated by the National Runaway Switchboard, serves as the federally-designated national communication system for homeless and runaway youth. Through hotline and online services, the National Runaway Switchboard provides crisis intervention, referrals to local resources, and education and prevention services to runaway, homeless, and at-risk youth, their families, and communities 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, every day of the year, in a neutral and confidential manner. Beyond its mission, the National Runaway Switchboard is committed to elevate the dialogue about runaway and homeless youth issues to ensure everyone understands the importance of supporting vulnerable youth, the programs that serve them, and the value of disseminating prevention materials to increase skills and competencies among at-risk youth.

The expansion supplement award will allow the National Runaway Switchboard to:

- Conduct research to increase public education on issues impacting at-risk, runaway, and homeless youth and to disseminate data about the need to support youth-serving programs in communities nationwide.
- Translate the “Let’s Talk Curriculum” into a Spanish version and disseminate it to culturally appropriate prevention resources to expand outreach to Latino youth and their families.

The National Runaway Switchboard will conduct the research to analyze their data and utilize the research findings to enhance prevention programs, improve technical support, and reach out to diverse media outlets to increase public knowledge on these issues. More important, the research information will assist youth-serving organizations in explaining the need for their services. Often, local stakeholders

do not understand the importance of providing services and programs to runaway and homeless youth because they are not aware of the impact of these issues. When a youth runs away, the impact is felt throughout an entire community. By learning about the causes, short-term, and long-term effects of runaway and homeless behaviors, communities can move away from stereotypes and provide the resources and connections needed for vulnerable youth.

The research and Spanish translation services are crucial projects that support the Switchboard’s efforts, and FYSB’s commitment, to provide resources to runaway and homeless youth, underserved communities, and those who support these vulnerable populations.

**Statutory Authority:** Section 331 of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act, as amended by the Reconnecting Homeless Youth Act of 2008, Public Law 110–378, authorizes the award of grants for the National Communication System for Runaway and Homeless Youth (42 U.S.C. 5714–11).

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Administration for Children and Families

#### Announcement of the Award a Single-Source Program Expansion Supplement Grant to BCFS Health and Human Services in San Antonio, TX

**AGENCY:** Office of Refugee Resettlement, ACF, HHS.

**ACTION:** The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR), announces the award of a single-source program expansion supplement grant to BCFS Health and Human Services (BCFS) in San Antonio, TX, under the Unaccompanied Children’s (UC) Program to support home study services.

**SUMMARY:** The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR), announces the award of a single-source program expansion supplement grant for \$500,000. The expansion supplement grant will support the need to increase home study capacity to expedite