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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Administration for Children and Families**

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**Announcement of the Award of Nine Single-Source Program Expansion Supplement Grants under the Unaccompanied Children's (UC) Program.**

**AGENCY:** Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice of Award of nine single-source program expansion supplement grants under the UC Program.

**SUMMARY:** ACF, ORR announces the award of nine single-source program expansion supplement grants for a total of \$21,164,141 under the UC's Program.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Amount</b>
BCFS Health and Human Services	San Antonio, TX	\$2,736,000
Heartland Human Care Services, Inc.	Chicago, IL	\$1,463,856
Youth for Tomorrow	Bristow, VA	\$2,184,311
Children's Village	Dobbs Ferry, NY	\$1,922,400
International Educational Services	Brownsville, TX	\$6,551,312
Mercy First	Syosset, NY	\$877,255
Children's Home of Kingston	Kingston, NY	\$464,743

Cayuga Center	New York, NY	\$3,553,107
Leake and Watts Services	Yonkers, NY	\$1,411,157

ORR has been identifying additional capacity to provide shelter for potential increases in apprehensions of UC at the U.S. Southern Border. Planning for increased shelter capacity is a prudent step to ensure that ORR is able to meet its responsibility, by law, to provide shelter for UC referred to its care by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

The expansion supplement grants will support the need to increase shelter capacity to accommodate the increasing numbers of UCs being referred by DHS. All nine grantees have the infrastructure, licensing, experience, and appropriate level of trained staff to meet the service requirements and the urgent need for expansion of services. The grantees provide residential services to UC in the care and custody of ORR, as well as services to include counseling, case management, and additional support services to the family or to the UC and their sponsor when a UC is released from ORR's care and custody.

**DATES:** Supplemental award funds will support activities from October 1, 2015, through September 30, 2016.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** ORR is continuously monitoring its capacity to shelter the UC referred to HHS, as well as the information received from interagency partners, to inform any future decisions or actions.

ORR has specific requirements for the provision of services. Award recipients must have the infrastructure, licensing, experience, and appropriate level of trained staff to meet those requirements. The expansion of the existing program and its services through this supplemental award is a key strategy for ORR to be prepared to meet its responsibility to provide shelter for UC referred to its care by DHS and so that the U.S. Border Patrol can continue its vital national security mission to prevent illegal migration, trafficking, and protect the borders of the United States.

**STATUTORY AUTHORITY:** This program is authorized by –

- (A) Section 462 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, which in March 2003, transferred responsibility for the care and custody of Unaccompanied Alien Children from the Commissioner of the former Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) to the Director of ORR of HHS.
- (B) The Flores Settlement Agreement, Case No. CV85-4544RJK (C. D. Cal. 1996), as well as the William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008 (Pub.L. 110-457), which authorizes post release services under certain conditions to eligible children. All programs must comply with the Flores Settlement Agreement, Case No. CV85-4544-RJK (C.D. Cal. 1996), pertinent regulations, and ORR policies and procedures.

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