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\$31 Million Awarded in Support of Sexual Risk Avoidance Education

Seventy-nine organizations that educate youth on sexual risk avoidance, which includes voluntarily refraining from sexual activity, were awarded \$31.63 million this week. Announced by the Administration on Children, Youth and Families at HHS' Administration for Children and Families, the funding is for groups helping young adults make healthy decisions in life.

"Our goal is that all young people have access to prevention education services that promote the success sequence of graduating from high school, getting a full-time job and waiting until marriage to have children," said Elizabeth Darling, Commissioner of the Administration on Children, Youth and Families. "Funding for programs that educate youth on avoiding non-marital sex and other risky behaviors by teaching them to focus their efforts on making healthy decisions and setting goals that lead to self-sufficiency and success in life is critical."

The Title V Competitive Sexual Risk Avoidance Education program is designed to teach youth personal responsibility, self-regulation, goal setting, healthy decision-making, establishing future goals, and how other youth risk behaviors, such as drug and alcohol use, increase the risk for teen sex. Similarly, the General Departmental-funded Sexual Risk Avoidance Education projects will provide youth with strategies to help them set goals that lead to self-sufficiency and marriage before engaging in sexual activity.

The Title V Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Program is authorized and funded by Section 510 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. § 710), as amended by Section 50502 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 (Pub. L. No. 115-123) and extended by Section 3821 of the CARES Act, 2020 (Pub. L. No. 116-136).

General Departmental-funded Sexual Risk Avoidance Education is authorized by Section 1110 of the Social Security Act, (42 U.S.C. § 1310), and specifically by the appropriation for General Departmental Management for the Office of the Secretary under Division A, Title II of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020, (Pub. L. No. 116-94).

The following organizations received the Title V Competitive Sexual Risk Avoidance Education grants (in those states or territories that did not accept State Title V funding in FY20), and are funded for the period of September 30, 2020 through September 29, 2022:

Grantee	City	State	Award
Grace Health Care, Inc.**	Pago Pago	AS	\$67,531.00
Able Works**	East Palo Alto	CA	\$450,000.00
Another Choice Another Chance**	Sacramento	CA	\$402,976.00
Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Redlands-			
Riverside**	Redlands	CA	\$344,032.00
California Youth Partnership**	Redding	CA	\$449,998.00
CityServe Network**	Bakersfield	CA	\$450,000.00
Corona Life Services**	Corona	CA	\$450,000.00
EntreNous Youth Empowerment Services,			
Inc.**	Compton	CA	\$450,000.00
First Assembly of God of Victorville**	Victorville	CA	\$450,000.00
Office of Samoan Affairs of California**	Los Angeles	CA	\$450,000.00
RealOptions**	San Jose	CA	\$450,000.00
Shores of Hope	West Sacramento	CA	\$250,000.00
Stay Focused	Bakersfield	CA	\$449,848.00
The Obria Group, Inc.	Tustin	CA	\$450,000.00
Worship Centre Church**	Fowler	CA	\$450,000.00
Nehemiah Gateway Community Development			
Corporation	Wilmington	DE	\$166,938.00
1960**	Richton Park	IL	\$450,000.00
Abstinence & Marriage Education Resources,			
Inc.	Mount Prospect	IL	\$450,000.00
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Inc.	Mount Prospect	IL	\$450,000.00
MYSI Corporation**	Chicago	IL	\$430,500.00
Future Leaders Outreach Network	Kansas City	KS	\$235,228.00
Young Women On The Move, Inc.**	Kansas City	KS	\$226,903.00
Fish Out of Water Career Development Center,			
Inc.**	Fayetteville	NC	\$449,655.00
The Alice Aycock Poe Center for Health			
Education**	Raleigh	NC	\$450,000.00
The C.W. Williams Community Health Center,			
Inc.	Charlotte	NC	\$445,938.00
Northern Lights Youth Services, Inc.	Hillsboro	ND	\$120,133.00
Beyond Visions, Inc.	St. Thomas	VI	\$36,864.00
Wyoming Families First	Cheyenne	WY	\$80,534.00

Total \$10,007,078.00

The following organizations are recipients of the General Departmental-funded Sexual Risk Avoidance Education grants for the period of September 30, 2020 through September 29, 2023:

Grantee	City	State	Award
Intersections, Inc.	Pago Pago	AS	\$415,841
Pacific Youth and Community	Pago Pago	AS	445,834\$
Development**			
Arizona Youth Partnership	Tucson	AZ	\$445,834
Catholic Charities Community Services,	Phoenix	AZ	\$370,766
Inc.**			
Child & Family Resources Inc.**	Tucson	AZ	\$445,834
East Los Angeles Community Union	Los Angeles	CA	\$445,834
PRO Youth and Families, Inc.	Sacramento	CA	\$407,035
Center for Relationship Education**	Denver	СО	\$445,718
Life Network**	Colorado Springs	СО	\$445,834
University of Denver (Colorado	Denver	СО	\$434,422
Seminary)**			
Lutheran Social Services of the National	Washington	DC	\$393,481
Capital Area, Inc.			
Be Strong International, Inc.	Miami	FL	\$445,834
E3 Family Solutions, Inc.**	Bushnell	FL	\$445,834
Gang Alternative, Inc.**	Little Haiti	FL	\$445,834
Life-Skills, Empowerment and Development	Largo	FL	\$445,057
Services (Leads), Inc.**			
Live the Life Ministries, Inc.	Tallahassee	FL	\$402,927
Recapturing the Vision International Inc.**	Pinecrest	FL	\$444,252
Trinity Church, Inc.	Miami	FL	\$445,834
Unity Family Community Center, Inc.**	Williston	FL	\$425,328
Columbus Wellness Center Outreach &	Columbus	GA	\$419,810
Prevention Project, Inc.			
Family Wellness Outreach Center of	Albany	GA	\$445,834
Georgia**			
More Than Conquerors Inc.**	Conyers	GA	\$443,655
Wholistic Stress Control Institute, Inc.	Atlanta	GA	\$397,536
(WSCI)			
West Care Pacific Islands, Inc.**	Hagatna	GU	\$445,834
Family Legacy Foundation**	Chicago	IL	\$300,000
Clarity of South Central Indiana Inc.**	Columbus	IN	\$371,387
PATH, Inc.	Portage	IN	\$445,834

Safe Havynn Education Center**	Slidell	LA	\$445,056
John Hopkins University**	Baltimore	MD	\$444,266
Future Leaders Outreach Network	Kansas City	MO	\$445,834
The Curators of the University of Missouri-	St. Louis	MO	\$445,834
St. Louis**			
CNMI Public School System**	Saipan	MP	\$341,256
Strategic Solutions for Families Inc.**	Booneville	MS	\$346,761
Diaspora Community Services**	Brooklyn	NY	\$445,834
New York University**	New York	NY	\$445,357
Sunset Park Health Council Inc.**	Brooklyn	NY	\$437,740
Operation Keepsake	Twinsburg	ОН	\$444,612
The RIDGE Project, Inc.	McClure	ОН	\$445,834
The Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma**	Durant	OK	\$444,520
Pregnancy Alternatives Center**	Lebanon	OR	\$445,834
Crisis Pregnancy Center of the Lehigh Valley	Allentown	PA	\$445,834
The Children's Council**	Lancaster	PA	\$334,829
Universidad Central del Caribe**	Bayamon	PR	\$445,831
Pee Dee Healthy Start, Inc.**	Florence	SC	\$445,834
South Dakota Department of Health	Pierre	SD	\$300,000
Change Happens	Houston	TX	\$445,834
Community Action Corporation of South	Alice	TX	\$351,715
Texas**			
Seasons of Change, Inc.**	Arlington	TX	\$445,834
Texas State University**	San Marcos	TX	\$421,875
The University of Texas Health Science	Houston	TX	\$445,555
Center at Houston**			
Mission West Virginia, Inc.	Hurricane	WV	\$445,834
Total			\$21,574,936

^{**}NOTE: These indicate first time Sexual Risk Avoidance awardees.

For additional information about the Title V Competitive Sexual Risk Avoidance Education and General Departmental-funded Sexual Risk Avoidance Education programs, please visit: https://www.acf.hhs.gov/fysb/programs/adolescent-pregnancy-prevention.