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## Friends of the Greenhouse, Inc.

**Address:** P.O. Box 983 Dalton, Ga 30722-0983

**Current federal award:** 47807

**Core service type:** Child Advocacy Center (CAC); Sexual Assault Program

**Project title:** Child Advocacy and Sexual Assault Center

**Project description:** We will use the grant to fund one full-time Sexual Assault Victim advocate located on-site at the GreenHouse and on-call to assist at the ER during SANE exams. Our director provides advocacy to clients when the Sexual Assault Victim advocate is not on-site.

**Counties served:** Murray; Whitfield

**Services provided:** Follow-up Contact; Information & Referral (In-Person); Criminal Justice Support/Advocacy; Assistance in Filing Compensation Claims; Personal Advocacy

**Languages spoken:** English-Spanish

## Harmony House Child Advocacy Center, Inc.

**Address:** P.O. Box 133 Royston, GA 30662-0133

**Current federal award:** 54624

**Core service type:** Child Advocacy Center (CAC); Sexual Assault Program

**Project title:** SASP

**Project description:** The Harmony House Sexual Assault Services Program will include the following activities in order to provide ongoing services to victims. The Volunteer Coordinator will recruit, train, assign, schedule, maintain records and oversee volunteers who will provide direct services to victims and their non-offending caregivers. These volunteers will be able to assist during crisis intervention, (allowing staff ample time to work with the victim and non-offending caregivers.) Volunteers will also assist with general office assistance, including data collection. They will be able to offer childcare, maintain inventory of food, clothing and grooming needs as well as maintaining a clean and sanitary center. Volunteers not assigned to work with the particular victim and/or non-offending caregiver, will also be conducting the direct outcome performance measurement by contacting the victim or non-offending caregiver and delivering and collecting the outcome survey. This will allow reliable answers from the victim and/or non-offending caregiver. All Volunteers will have a criminal background check. Volunteers will be provided a training certificate after training completion. Volunteers must maintain a time record, which will also collect what their service duty of the day was as well as the number of victims and/or non-offending caregivers they worked with. All volunteer information will be kept in the volunteer's file. Volunteer time records will be collected by the volunteer coordinator monthly and data will be reported to CJCC. Harmony House Child Advocacy Center employs three staff members. All staff members serve as advocates to victims and non-offending caregivers. Advocate ongoing services will provide for monthly follow-ups with the victim and non-offending caregivers as well as Victims Compensation Assistance, Counseling Referrals, Court Accompaniment, Medical Accompaniment with SANE services and Court Preparation Services. Advocates will travel to court appointments and face-to-face follow-up meetings as an advocate for the victim and their non-offending caregiver. Advocates will collect and maintain all data for each victim and non-offending caregiver including case file and Child Advocacy Center of Georgia's MDTIS tracking system. Harmony House advocates will offer Community Satellite Offices providing community intervention services within the Northern Judicial Circuit Counties. Community Satellites will consist of once monthly service delivery within each county. Advocates will

travel and be placed at an agreed upon location, (local law enforcement offices, local DA offices or Family Connection Offices) for that day within the county being served. Advocates will be available to serve victims and their non-offending caregivers with updates on their case, and intervention services on that day. This will allow assistance to victims and non-offending caregivers at a closer more convenient location to them. Advocates will track the number of victims and non-offending caregivers served at each site and the service provided. Advocates will provide victims and non-offending caregivers notification of the days they will be at the satellite office in their county and appointments will be made. Advocates will also provide Intervention Programming for victims and their non-offending caregivers. These programs will consist of the following: Sexual Assault Risk Reduction, Adult Sexual Assault Group Support, and Non-Offending Caregiver Educational Group Support. These groups will be facilitated by a designated staff advocate however no group will be facilitated by only one person. Groups will be facilitated by two staff advocates and/or a staff advocate and a volunteer advocate. Childcare where necessary will also be provided by volunteers when it is necessary for group meetings. Sexual Assault Risk Reduction will be facilitated by the Outreach Coordinator and be provided for Teen Victims of Sexual Abuse and/or Assault. Sexual Assault Risk Reduction is a curriculum developed by the San Diego Police Department. This curriculum has both a middle and high school age track and will cover; 1.) Defining Sexual Assault 2.) Red Flags 3.) Decision Making 4.) Setting Sexual Limits 5.) Asserting Yourself 6.) Dangerous Situations 7.) Who would you ask/Who would you tell 8.) Green, Yellow, Red light 9.) Refusal Skills. This curriculum and group session will provide survivors an empowering knowledge to keep them safe. Three six-week sessions of Sexual Assault Risk Reduction will be provided during the grant year and serve 24 teen victims. These three sessions will begin in January, April, and September. Sexual Assault Reduction also has session based pre-post-test that will be given and collected. These results will be reported to show new knowledge. Adult Sexual Assault Support Group will be provided for victims of adult sexual assault. This group will be facilitated by the Adult Victim Advocate and will be group led. Group topics will include but will not be limited to; 1.) Dealing with Emotions and Behaviors 2.) Reducing Stress 3.) Empowerment 4.) Trust Building 5.) Coping Skills This group will meet on a once monthly basis and serve 5 adult victims. The Non-Offending Caregivers Educational Support Group will be facilitated by the Outreach Coordinator and the Family Advocate (Washington Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs) will be the curriculum used and will consist of the following: Session One – Beginning Our Journey Together Session Two – Overview of Child Sexual Abuse Session Three – Coping and Communication Session Four – How Abuse Affects Children and Teens Session Five – How Abuse Affects Parents and Siblings Session Six– Difficult Child Behaviors and Parenting Challenges Session Seven – Dealing With the Outside World Session Eight – Moving Into the Future Three, six-week sessions will be held during the grant year and will serve 18 non-offending caregivers. These sessions will begin in January, 2015 The Outreach Coordinator along with the advocate assigned to victims will make the decision on which victims and non-offending caregivers would gain the largest benefit from programming while still being a positive participant within the group. All programming sessions will have sign in sheets. Sign in sheets for sessions will be collected and maintained by the Outreach Coordinator. The Outreach Coordinator and Adult Advocate will both receive training toward group participation and service to victims within those groups. These trainings will be verified through training certification from the training service provider. The Harmony House Sexual Assault Services Program will also provide for basic needs in supplies for victims and their non-offending caregivers in the form of food, and transportation assistance. Immediate needs including food in the form of snacks, beverages and or simple meals are given when victims come into Harmony House

and are hungry. Food also makes many of our child victims feel more relaxed and comfortable. A Family Food Assessment is completed with each victim and non-offending caregiver when they receive initial services. This assessment addresses the nutritional need of the family as well as tracks food given at Harmony House. This allows us an inventory for future purchases. The Community Outreach Coordinator collects all food assessment forms on the last day of each month. Monthly totals of food given are then reported to the Food Bank of North East Georgia. Transportation assistance is needed for clients to participate in follow up counseling as well as group services and court appearances. Transportation assistance is given in the form of a \$10 gas card to be used at a local station. Transportation assistance is not given until the time the service is provided. A copy of the gas card, with a listed service and signature are kept for each card given. That copy is maintained within the victim file.

**Counties served:** Elbert; Franklin; Hart; Madison; Oglethorpe

**Services provided:** Crisis Counseling; Follow-up Contact; Therapy; Group Treatment; Crisis Hotline Counseling; Information & Referral (In-Person); Criminal Justice Support/Advocacy; Emergency Financial Assistance; Assistance in Filing Compensation Claims; Personal Advocacy

**Languages spoken:** English

## International Women's House, Inc.

**Address:** PO Box 1327 Decatur, GA 30031-1327

**Current federal award:** 44064

**Core service type:** Sexual Assault Program

**Project title:** SASP

**Project description:** The funds requested are for our SASP program. The award will support one full-time victims' advocate salary, mileage and training. In addition, funds will be used for food and supplies for shelter residents and outreach clients who are victims of sexual assault.

**Counties served:** DeKalb

**Services provided:** Crisis Counseling; Follow-up Contact; Group Treatment; Crisis Hotline Counseling; Information & Referral (In-Person); Criminal Justice Support/Advocacy; Emergency Financial Assistance; Assistance in Filing Compensation Claims; Personal Advocacy

**Languages spoken:** English, Spanish, German, Russian, Yiddish, Swedish, French, Hindi, Gudjatri

## Sexual Assault Support Center, Inc.

**Address:** 2027 6th Avenue, Suite C Columbus, GA 31904-8934

**Current federal award:** 62976

**Core service type:** Sexual Assault Program

**Project title:** SASP Victim Services

**Project description:** SASC is committed to providing thorough and extensive crisis and support services to sexual assault victims, both primary and secondary, in the Chattahoochee Judicial Circuit. with CJCC funding, we plan to continue to enhance and increase our core service provision within the Circuit, reaching out to the victims that have not utilized services so that we may see an increase in the reporting of sexual assault in our area and help those victims to become survivors. In order to do so, we plan to advertise the hotline number with billboards, continue the community and jail support groups,

and maintain the outreach and awareness activities currently utilized to increase the numbers of victims reporting and/or utilizing services.

**Counties served:** Chattahoochee; Harris; Marion; Muscogee; Talbot; Taylor

**Services provided:** Crisis Counseling; Follow-up Contact; Therapy; Group Treatment; Crisis Hotline Counseling; Information & Referral (In-Person); Criminal Justice Support/Advocacy; Emergency Legal Assistance; Assistance in Filing Compensation Claims; Personal Advocacy

**Languages spoken:** English

## University Health Services, Inc.

**Address:** 1350 Walton Way Augusta, GA 30901-2612

**Current federal award:** 55000

**Core service type:** Sexual Assault Program

**Project title:** Sexual Assault Services for Rural Counties and Underserved Populations of College, Disabled and Elderly

**Project description:** The request for the SASP Grant Program supports four contract staff: Volunteer Coordinator 1.0 FTE (Columbia, McDuffie and Richmond Counties); Outreach Crisis Specialist .50 FTE (to reach rural counties and underserved populations of elderly, college students and disabled persons); two Rural Outreach Advocates for Burke and Jefferson Counties .21 FTE (447 hours); and travel for the three positions. The services provided by RCSAS are invaluable community resources and are essential to address the aftermath of sexual assault and to facilitate the recovery and well-being of the survivor. Survivors who are routinely informed about the process are more likely to stay involved and participate in their health care, the investigative and prosecutorial process. Advocacy provided ensures continuous emotional support to the survivor and is a contributing factor to success of the criminal justice system. This results in a more effective response to the needs of sexual assault victims in the Central Savannah River Area. RCSAS staff and volunteers provide a 24/7 crisis hotline, medical accompaniment, advocacy and crisis intervention, information and referral, follow-up, assistance filing victim's compensation, criminal justice support, promotion of a survivor's rights, and community awareness and outreach programs. RCSAS staff seeks to establish and maintain positive, collegial partnerships with relevant community organizations, consumers, victim advocates, local area resources, contractual partners, educational institutions in achieving and providing access and linkages to the highest quality services and programs with attention to a full range of culturally competent services. RCSAS participates in multidisciplinary team approach to better serve sexual assault victims and provides specialized training to sexual assault staff and volunteer advocates about the psychosocial and medical/legal care of the sexual assault victim. The SASP funded program is managed by the Rape Crisis Director and supported by key staff. The Rural Outreach Advocates have donated office space in Burke and Jefferson Counties. Staff works out of the Augusta office with donated space in McDuffie County Sheriff's Office.

**Counties served:** Burke; Columbia; Jefferson; McDuffie; Richmond

**Services provided:** Crisis Counseling; Follow-up Contact; Crisis Hotline Counseling; Information & Referral (In-Person); Criminal Justice Support/Advocacy; Assistance in Filing Compensation Claims; Personal Advocacy

**Languages spoken:** English, German, Spanish, French, Qu'ranic, Classical Iraqi, Arabic, Japanese

## YWCA of Northwest Georgia, Inc.

**Address:** 48 Henderson Street Marietta, GA 30064-3208

**Current federal award:** 50000

**Core service type:** Counseling Services; Legal Services Provider; Sexual Assault Program

**Project title:** 2015 Sexual Assault Program

**Project description:** The following services are part of this project: • Rape Crisis Response: We have been providing sexual assault services since 1980, and led the efforts to create Sexual Assault Response Teams (SARTs) in Cobb, Cherokee and Paulding Counties (established in 2005, 2008 and 2009, respectively). Our role is to manage the SARTs, and we also provide a confidential facility for examinations and interviews, forensic medical examinations (not funded through SASP), change of clothes, access to health care, legal and personal advocacy, counseling and a variety of other services to sexual assault victims. We also provide supportive services, information/referrals for this population and other victims regardless of when the assault occurred. • Individual/Group Counseling and Support: Free counseling is offered to victims and family members. There is no limit to the number of counseling sessions. • Legal Advocacy: Legal Advocates answer questions and provide information and referrals, assist in the filing of a Temporary Protective Order (TPO) and accompany clients to court proceedings. • Victim Assistance: All direct service staff assist residential and community clients in filing for victim's compensation through the Georgia Crime Victims Compensation Program. • Multicultural/Multilingual Outreach: While it is known that cases of sexual assault often go unreported, we believe that this is an even larger problem in immigrant communities, including Haitian, Latino and Asian populations. Because we typically have very low numbers of victims from such communities, the YWCA of Northwest Georgia has increased outreach to these underserved populations. These increased efforts include having brochures and materials in other languages, partnering with agencies that serve immigrant communities, and conducting prevention and awareness activities to people from these communities. Some of our staff speak Spanish in addition to English, and all of our services can be provided in a variety of languages through an interpreter service.

**Counties served:** Cherokee; Cobb; Paulding

**Services provided:** Crisis Counseling; Follow-up Contact; Therapy; Group Treatment; Information & Referral (In-Person); Criminal Justice Support/Advocacy; Emergency Legal Assistance; Assistance in Filing Compensation Claims; Personal Advocacy

**Languages spoken:** Spanish