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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

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December 30, 2013

Her Excellency Governor Margaret Wood Hassan  
And the Honorable Council  
State House  
Concord, NH 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Justice to enter into a sub grant with the program listed below totaling \$28,993 from the 2010 Safe Havens: Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange Grant Program, for the purpose of providing visitation and safe exchange services for victims in New Hampshire with a history of family violence, from the period of Governor and Council approval through September 30, 2014. This is 100% federal funding.

Funding is available in account #02-20-20-201510-5016, (Job #20SAF10A) Department of Justice, Grants Administration, entitled "Safe Havens: Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange Grant Program" for the following sub grant:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Vendor #</u>	<u>Amount</u>
072-500575	Emerge Family Advocates	160598-B001	\$28,993

EXPLANATION

The approval of this request will provide the above visitation center the funding necessary for victim services and a safe facility for visitation and the exchange of children between parents in cases of domestic violence, child abuse, sexual assault, and dating violence. It also allows the Department to fully utilize the funding remaining in the 2010 Safe Havens: Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange Grant Program.

It is well documented that the level of risk to women and children increases when they leave an abusive relationship. A well developed and implemented visitation program can greatly reduce the threat of continued violence perpetrated against the victim during the exchange of children in families

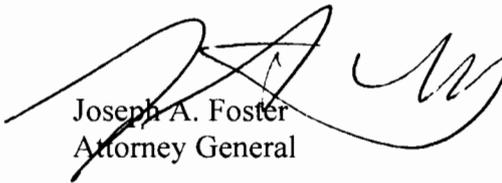
with a history of violence. This award will allow this organization to continue providing the vital services that New Hampshire's citizens have come to rely upon. It is anticipated services at this center will be re-evaluated in the coming months and it may become necessary to reallocate the remaining grant funding to support other visitation centers.

These projects are funded one hundred percent (100%) by federal dollars. In the event that federal funds become no longer available, general funds will not be requested to support these programs.

Please let me know if you have any questions concerning this request.

Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,



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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE GRANT AWARD		
Agency Name:	Emerge Family Advocates	Vendor No.: 160598-B001
Program Name:	Visitation Center	Amount: \$ 28,993.00
Grant Start Date:	01/15/2014	State Grant Number: 2010SH03A
Grant End Date:	09/30/2014	Federal Grant Number: 2010-CW-AX-K001
Appropriation No.:		
Head of Agency	Project Director	Fiscal Officer
Raymona Russell	Janette Potter	Janette Potter
Program Manager	Emerge Family Advocates	Emerge Family Advocates
Post Office Box 1224	Post Office Box 1224	Post Office Box 1224
White River Jct., VT 05001	White River Jct., VT 05001	White River Jct., VT 05001
802-296-7663	802-296-7663	
Federal Grant Name:	Safe Havens Supervised Visitation and Exchange	
Federal Agency:	United States Department of Justice	
Bureau/Office:	Office of Justice Programs - VAWGO	
CFDA Number:	16.527	
Purpose of Grant:	Continuation of visitation and safe exchange program.	
Financial Requirements:	See signed Program Conditions and Guidelines.	
Match Requirements:	None	
Reporting Requirements:	Monthly or quarterly Financial reports Semi - annual performance reports Adherence to State and Federal guidelines and conditions	
Approval	Program Agency	NH Department of Justice
Name	Raymona Russell	Rosemary Faretra
Title	Program Manager	Director of Administration
Date		
All terms of this grant award are not valid unless signed by both authorized parties.		