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May 20, 2015

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 subgrant with the agency listed below, in the total amount of \$79,684 to support supervised visitation and the safe exchange of children at the Monadnock Family Services, All "R" Kids Visitation Center upon Governor and Council approval through September 30, 2016. 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is available in account number 02-20-20-201510-5911-072-500575; Department of Justice entitled FFY 2014 JFF upon the availability and continued appropriation of funds in the future operating budget:

| <u>Agency</u> | <u>Vendor #</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
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| All "R" Kids | 177510-B001 | \$79,684 |

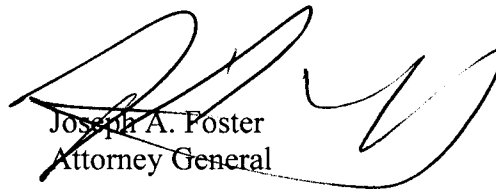
EXPLANATION

The Justice for Families (JFF) from the US Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs' dual purpose is to provide legal services to victims of domestic violence and to fund supervised visitation and safe exchange centers. The new JFF program combines two former federal grant programs sponsored by the Office on Violence Against Women; the Safe Havens: Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange grant program; and the Court Training and Improvement grant program. In January 2014, the NH Department of Justice submitted a two-fold federal application which dedicated funding to pro bono civil legal assistance and advocacy, as well as funding to three supervised visitation and safe exchange centers providing visitation services to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, stalking and child abuse.

Your approval of this request will allow the balance of the FY2014 Justice for Families to be awarded by the NH Department of Justice to All "R" Kids which is a nonprofit visitation center run by Monadnock Family Services (MFS) in Jaffrey, New Hampshire, located in the rural southwestern area of the State. This Center has seen an increased need for services with the recent closure of Emerge, the only other supervised visitation center in that region. MFS has been providing supervised visitation since 1989. This is one of two grant awards to MFS for supervised visitation services for which the Department is requesting approval at the June 10, 2015 meeting.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank, you in advance, for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully submitted,



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| STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE GRANT AWARD | | |
| Agency Name: Monadnock Family Services | Vendor No.: 177510-B001 | |
| Program Name: Supervised Visitation & Exchange | Amount: \$ 79,684.00 | |
| Grant Start Date: 6/10/2015 | State Grant Number: | |
| Grant End Date: 09/30/2016 | Federal Grant Number: 2014-FJ-AX-0017 | |
| Appropriation No.: 02-20-20-201510-5911-072-500575 | | |
| Head of Agency | Project Director | Fiscal Officer |
| Philip Wyzik CEO 64 Main Street Keene, NH 03431 603-357-4400 | Sam Lafortune Program Coordinator 22 North Street Jaffrey, NH 03452 | Gigi Batchelder, CFO Monadnock Family Services 64 Main St, Suite 211 Keene, NH 03431 |
| Federal Grant Name: | Justice for Families | |
| Federal Agency: | United States Department of Justice | |
| Bureau/Office: | Office of Justice Programs | |
| CFDA Number: | 16.021 | |
| Purpose of Grant: | Supervised Visitation and Exchange | |
| Program Requirements: | Adherence to Program Conditions and Guidelines. | |
| Match Requirements: | None | |
| Program income Requirements: | | |
| Reporting Requirements: | Monthly or quarterly Financial reports. Required Performance reports and audit. Adherence to Program Conditions and Guidelines. Completion of Monitoring forms and processes. | |
| Approval | Program Agency | NH Department of Justice |
| Name | Philip Wyzik | Kathleen B. Carr |
| Title | CEO | Director of Administration |
| Date | | |
| All terms of this grant award are not valid unless signed by both authorized parties. | | |