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Award Recommendation Letter

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Subject: RFS 23-74513 - Recommendation for the Hoosier Families First Fund Maternal Child Health Programming

FSSA RFS 23-74513 was issued to solicit applications from qualified maternal child health organizations across the State to provide additional funding for programs dedicated to supporting healthy pregnancies and families. Based on its evaluation of responses to RFS 23-74513, FSSA recommends awarding \$2.25M to 15 applicants. The terms of this recommendation are included in this letter.

Awards will be directed to support existing programs in one or more of the following eight Eligible Spending Categories:

1. To support the health of pregnant women, postpartum mothers, and infants.
2. To support pregnancy planning, including addressing barriers to long-acting reversible contraception.
3. To support the needs of families with children less than four (4) years of age who are low income or lack access to resources.
4. To increase the number of families served under the Child Care Development Fund.
5. To support Indiana's foster families and adoptive families.
6. To support prevention-based programming that would prevent children from entering the department of child services system.
7. To support funding for newborn safety devices as described in IC 31-34-2.5-1.
8. To provide funding to providers of maternal support services and services to help pregnant women and their families bring their pregnancy to term. To be eligible for funding, providers may not be affiliated with any abortion clinic (as defined in IC 16-18-2-1.5).

The funding for these grants was appropriated via the Hoosier Families First Fund (HFFF), established by Senate Enrolled Act 02 of the 2022 Special Session of the 122nd General Assembly which added section 3.to Indiana Code 4-12-1-17.2.

Award Recommendation Summary:

FSSA received 15 RFS applications by the First Wave submission deadline (February 10, 2023). Applications were evaluated according to the process outlined in Section 3.2 (“Evaluation Criteria”) of the RFS. All applications were deemed eligible for award upon evaluation for adherence to the Mandatory Requirements, including a determination that the proposed services meet the requirements of the Eligible Spending Categories listed above. During the course of its evaluation, the State scrutinized applications to determine the viability of the ability to meet the goals of the program and needs of the State.

Contract Value: FSSA recommends awarding \$150,000.00 (the per organization award cap) to all 15 applicants, totaling \$2.25M in awards.

Contract Term: The term of all contracts shall be for a period of one (1) year from the date of the contract execution. Contracts are anticipated to begin on May 1, 2023 and remain in effect through April 30, 2024. The award recommendations are as follows:

Table I: Award Summary

Hoosier Families First Fund Maternal Child Health Programming Awards		
Applicant	County	Funding Awarded
Angelcare, Inc	Johnson	\$150,000.00
Clarity of Central Indiana	Bartholomew	\$150,000.00
Dunebrook, Inc	LaPorte	\$150,000.00
Heartline Pregnancy Center	Kosciusko	\$150,000.00
Hope Resources Center	Lawrence	\$150,000.00
Find Ignite Transform	Hamilton	\$150,000.00
Indiana Right to Life Education Fund	Marion	\$150,000.00
Life Centers Inc	Marion	\$150,000.00
Lil Miracles PRC Inc	Madison	\$150,000.00
Right to Life Southwest Indiana	Vanderburgh	\$150,000.00
Sacred Roots Midwifery, LLC	Marion	\$150,000.00
Safe Haven Baby Boxes, Inc	Allen	\$150,000.00
The Villages of Indiana, Inc	Marion	\$150,000.00
Women’s Care Center - Northeast Indiana	DeKalb	\$150,000.00
Women’s Care Center, Inc	Lake, St. Joseph	\$150,000.00
TOTAL		\$2.25M

Second Wave RFS Opportunity:

As set forth in RFS Section 1.1.5, FSSA is electing to issue a Second Wave of the RFS opportunity for interested applicants to apply for additional funding for programming meeting the requirements of the RFS. Information regarding the Second Wave may be found on IDOA's Current Business Opportunities Page: <https://www.in.gov/idoa/procurement/current-business-opportunities/>.