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Bureau Name: Children's Bureau  Grant Number: 90CO1013
Target Population: Adoptable children  Fiscal Year: 2004

GRANTEE INFORMATION:

Name: Orelena Hawks Puckett Institute, Inc.
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OTHER GRANT INFORMATION:

Amount of Award: $400,000.00
Program Name: Adoption Opportunities
ACF Region: 4
Congressional District Served: 10
Related Links:

ABSTRACT:

Organization Description: The Orelena Hawks Puckett Institute is a not-for-profit organization engaging in activities that enhance and promote healthy child, parent, and family functioning. The goal of the Puckett Institute is to foster adoption of policies and practices that build on the capabilities and strengths of families, public and private organizations, and communities. The Institute is dedicated to the advancement of practices that are respectful and sensitive to cultural, racial, ethnic, and socio-economic diversity and which have competency-enhancing influences. Under One Sky, Inc. was founded in 1994 by Diane Delafield with a mission to provide older youth in the North Carolina child welfare system awaiting adoption with recruitment services to help them find permanence, and programs that address the behavioral, emotional, and psychological issues of these youth to help ensure successful placements.

Use(s) of ACF Program Grant Funds: In order to increase the number of older children in foster care being placed in adoptive families, The Under One Sky: Youth Adoption through Self-Discovery of Assets project proposes to help
youth who could be adopted identify their assets as a way to market themselves for adoption. This project will also help families identify their strengths in order to help match youth and families. Working together, Under One Sky, NC Kids, Swannanoa 4-H Education Center and the Orelena Hawks Puckett Institute will provide major programming for youth and families in both camp and community settings. Under One Sky: Youth Adoption through Self-Discovery of Assets will demonstrate the importance and effectiveness of just such an approach to youth adoption. The Orelena Hawks Puckett Institute will develop and administer an evaluation plan to assess short- and long-term outcomes of the project, analyze the evaluation results, and make program recommendations that will support continuous innovation and improvement in the quality of adoption services, and in so doing will support projects that contribute to the continued expansion of knowledge about the familial and systemic aspects of successful adoptions.

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