



## **Announcement Contract Awards for ITN 12-01**

On October 10, 2012, The Children's Network of Southwest Florida (CNSWFL) published an Invitation to Negotiate (ITN 12-01) in order to select a Case Management Organization for each of the two geographical Areas that encompass Circuit 20. Area One includes Lee and Charlotte Counties and Area Two includes Collier, Hendry and Glades Counties.

Four (4) potential vendors submitted responses; Lutheran Services Florida submitted a proposal for Area One, Family Preservation Services of Florida submitted a proposal for Area Two. One Hope United and Children's Home Society each submitted proposals for both Area One and Area Two. CNSWFL then invited three agencies to participate in concurrent negotiations.

An Evaluation Team comprised of community members from all five counties and representatives from the CNSWFL reviewed each agency's proposals. The Children's Network of Southwest Florida's Negotiation Team evaluated each agency as they presented in the following four pre-determined areas:

- Foster Home Recruitment , Support and Retention
- Quality Parenting Initiative
- Personnel Recruitment, Retention and Management
- Performance Measures

After careful consideration of all the information gathered throughout the ITN process, the Negotiation Team unanimously chose to award contracts to the following vendors:

**Case Management Organization in Area One- Lutheran Services Florida**  
**Case Management Organization in Area Two- Family Preservation Services of Florida**

The contracts will be effective on July 1, 2013.

Our community is fortunate to have had four outstanding agencies respond to this ITN. The Board of Directors and staff at the CNSWFL would like to thank all of the agencies for their time, hard work and commitment to the children and families that we serve.

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