

Connecticut Sexual Assault Crisis Services, Inc.

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Lisa Secondo, Policy and Planning Manager Criminal Justice Policy and Planning Division State Office of Policy and Management 450 Capitol Avenue Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Ms. Secondo:

Thank you for inviting Connecticut Sexual Assault Crisis Services, Inc. (CONNSACS) to participate in developing the implementation plan that will establish objectives and priorities for the Recovery Act STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program funds. CONNSACS understands that the implementation plan will address the needs and services that have been identified as priorities by the planning committee and will include the needs of underserved populations.

As you know, Connecticut Sexual Assault Crisis Services (CONNSACS) is a nonprofit, nongovernmental, statewide coalition of community-based sexual assault crisis programs. Furthermore, CONNSACS brings 27 years of experience working to end sexual violence and to ensure high-quality, comprehensive, culturally-competent services for victims through its victim assistance, community education, and policy advocacy activities. CONNSACS is committed to lending this expertise through its participation in the development of the implementation plan.

Sincerely,

Nancy Kushins
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